Frazier History Museum



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The Frazier History Museum is a world class museum, with exhibits showcasing well over 1,000 years of history. ☐ In short, be prepared to be utterly amazed. ☐

While this institution can speak of many accolades, the most elusive is that they are the official home of the Royal Armouries USA. They are the only place in the entire world to host and permanently display these artifacts outside of Great Britain. This collection spans from Medieval England, through the Tudors and the Stuarts, and into the start of the 20th century... and everything in between. (And yes, this even includes pieces from the infamous Tower of London!) Do you have goosebumps yet?

The museum also boasts one of the world's largest toy soldier displays. The detail on these pieces is so intricate that you can almost smell the smoke of battle, and feel the ground rumble beneath your feet as you gaze at a tiny cannon.

And have I purposely saved the best for last? Every day, costumed

interpreters offer live historic performances featuring some of the "movers and shakers" of history, and some of the people who may not have famous names, but literally created some of the cornerstones for great events that depended on their contributions. These are historically accurate, professional performances. Try to catch as man as you can on your visit! The Frazier History Museum is definitely a bit of an over-achiever, because apparently all of these fantastic offerings also intermingle with traveling exhibits that only visit the most renowned museums. So of course, the Frazier always has something new and exciting for your viewing pleasure. Lifestyles of the Rich and Famous: Art, Fashion & Luxury in the Gilded Age is currently making its temporary home at the Frazier through February 1. Do not miss this chance to view artifacts from 1870-1915, including dresses, artwork, advertisements, and the luxury products that illustrate the birth of

And with just a few performances left through November 4, be sure to attend An Evening With Poe, a night of haunting interpretations and beautiful music. This is an event that you will NOT want to miss!

I have openly admitted previously that I am a "museum junkie", but I literally could not remove myself until the security man was doing his final sweep at closing. This museum is extraordinary, and a full day to visit is simply not enough... at least for me. It seamlessly provided everything that I could want from a history museum, including my constant need for a "Tudor fix". As I walked through, I just had this constant feeling that I was in New York... or London. THAT is the caliber of this facility. However, you must experience it yourself to even believe it.

For more information on the museum, you may view their daily schedules and general information online, or you may call (502) 753-5663. You may even host your special event at the Frazier... or even your wedding! Now really... how cool would THAT be?

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