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PRESS RELEASE

October events at Chillon Castle centred on the theme of women.

Throughout October, the Chillon Castle Foundation will be theming its cultural events under the aegis of women in the Middle Ages. Children, families and history lovers can choose their favourite from a selection of events, including Swiss Castle Day, a lecture series and autumn workshops.

For families:

3rd October 2021 at 10am — *Des vies de princesses, vraiment ?* ('Living like a princess, really?') To celebrate Swiss Castle Day, Chillon Castle is inviting children and grown-ups under the 'matronage' of the countesses and duchesses of yesteryear. On the agenda:

- Fun trail for children aged 6 and above available in French and German.
- A journey through space and time with costumed characters at the behest of the princesses
- Weaponry and combat demonstration organised by the Circle of Friends of Chillon
- Guided tours on the themes of the education, canonical feminine aesthetic, and power of the princesses available in French and German
- Festive menu on offer at Café Byron

To help you plan your trip, a <u>full programme</u> is available online, in partnership with the <u>National</u> Association of Swiss Castles.

For children aged 8-12 and two parent/quardians:

Holiday workshops on the work and hobbies of women in the Middle Ages – available in French

- 19th and 26th October 2021 at 10am 'Handmade', make your own 'Little Red Riding' hood
- 21st and 28th October 2021 at 10am 'Get your pots and pans!', cook up a spiced dish fit for the nobility... and your taste buds!

For history lovers and medievalists:

- 14th October 2021 at 6:30pm Lecture (in French) '<u>Les femmes de la Maison de Savoie.</u>
 Mariages de princesse : stratégies dynastiques et culturelles' by Fanny Abbott, assistant curator at the Musée historique de Vevey, and Nathalie Roman, doctor and lecturer in Medieval Art History at the University of Lausanne.
- A richly illustrated scientific publication available (in French) online and in the Castle Shop.
 Fanny Abbott, Nathalie Roman, <u>Vies de princesses? Les femmes de la Maison de Savoie (XIII^e-XVF siècle)</u>, Veytaux: Fondation du Château de Chillon, 2021 (ISBN 978-2-8399-2894-6).

BOOKINGS

Tickets for events and workshops are available on our website: https://www.chillon.ch/en/events/

Please note that, in line with guidance from the Swiss public health authority, a vaccination certificate and a form of ID are required for entry.

PRICES

Swiss Castle Day

Children (aged 6 to 15), as part of a group: 10 CHF

Free for members of the Drako Club and the Circle of Friends of Chillon

Adults: 17.50 CHF

Family ticket (2 adults and 2-5 children): 50 CHF

Autumn workshop

Children (aged 8 to 12): 17 CHF

Bonus: free entry for 2 parents/guardians (no parents/guardians during the workshop).

Free for members of the Drako Club

Scientific publication

Hard copy 25 CHF (available in French online or at the Castle Shop)

Lecture

Guided tour at 5pm + lecture at 6:30pm: 30 CHF

Lecture only at 6:30pm: 16 CHFGuided tour only at 5pm: 16 CHF

Tours and lectures are free to members of the Circle of Friends of Chillon Castle

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