



A rich tapestry of over 900 years of Royal heritage unfolds in this fascinating exhibition.

No other Royal town has played such an important role in the Nation's history and no other Royal town has been loved by so many English Monarchs.

See the influences of the Kings and Queens on the development of Windsor through the centuries.

There is also a changing programme of temporary exhibitions. The exhibition, located on the first floor of the Royal Windsor Information Centre, High Street, Windsor, is open 7 days a week. Tel 01753 743900 for details. Admission: Adults £1, Children 50p, Advantage Card holders Free.



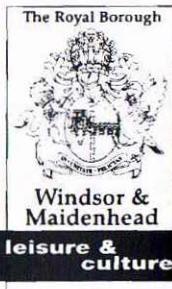
The Royal Borough Collection

The Museum Collection of the Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead - Bisham to Wraysbury.

- Artefacts and archaeological finds
- Documents and dioramas
- Paintings, prints and photographs
- Maps, books and printed records

Museum Store open for researchers most Wednesdays by appointment; Annual Open Day; group visits by arrangement.

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The Second Mrs Sheridan



The grave of Esther Sheridan, carved with words of extravagant love by her son, lies in Old Windsor churchyard, a tranquil resting place after a troubled life. The widow of the playwright and politician Richard Brinsley Sheridan had, in her final years, set her heart on a quiet cottage in Windsor close to the Scottish doctor on whom she had come to depend. In the end, her wish came true but her time in this 'flower garden' in the country was pitifully short.

Esther Jane Ogle was Sheridan's second wife and it seemed her fate always to be second best. The romance of Sheridan's first marriage to the beautiful singer Elizabeth Linley - the elopement, the duels - is the one that is remembered. His courtship of the lively but eccentric Esther was less romantic, even his love letters were second-hand, many of them copied from those to his first wife.