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RAF Museum Cosford 2018 Events Diary

Forthcoming events taking place at the Royal Air Force Museum Cosford during 2018:

Date	Event
9 February	100 Cockpits and Cabs
17 - 23 February	Airfix Make and Take
21 February	Talk: Airfix and 100 years of the RAF
24 March	Pillows and Pilots Sleepover
1 April - 10 July	Spitfire 100K Challenge
1 - 2 April	100 Years Festival
3 - 15 April	Feathers and Flight Family Trail
5 April	Eagles at Easter Display
12 April	Eagles at Easter Display
28 April	Pillows and Pilots Sleepover
12 May	Pillows and Pilots Sleepover
19 May	100 Cockpits and Cabs
26 May - 3 June	First World War Half Term
10 June	RAF Cosford Air Show
30 June	Armed Forces Day
7 - 8 July	Large Model Aircraft Rally
21 - 22 July	Cosford Food Festival
1 - 31 August	Summer of Spies Trail
1 August	Summer of Spies Workshops
8 August	Summer of Spies Workshops
11 -12 August	Vintage and Handmade Festival
15 August	Summer of Spies Workshops
22 August	Summer of Spies Workshops
29 August	Summer of Spies Workshops
2 September	Spitfire 10K and Spitfire Family Run
15 September	100 Cockpits and Cabs
21 - 22 September	Outdoor Cinema
27 October - 2 November	Airfix Make and Take
11 November	Remembrance Service
12 - 18 November	MBCC Open Week
7 December	100 Cockpits and Cabs

Further details on each event will be issued nearer the time. Admission charges apply for some events and activities. Events may be subject to change and additional events may be added during the year, please visit the Museum website www.rafmuseum.org/cosford for more details.

RAF Museum Cosford Public Events Manager, Abi Betteridge said:

"We will be celebrating the centenary of the Royal Air Force throughout 2018 with a number of events tailored towards commemorating this milestone. Across both our London and Cosford sites we will be

opening up the doors to 100 Cockpits and Cabs so visitors can get up close and inside more of our collection than ever before, with the first of four dates at Cosford in February.

Over the Easter Bank Holiday weekend on 1-2 April, we will be marking the official formation of the Royal Air Force with a 100 Years Festival, packed with re-enactors, displays and activities for families. There will also be a new permanent display celebrating the RAF through the decades with artefacts from within our collection interpreting the RAF story.

One of our most popular events, the Spitfire 10K will be returning in September, where up to 1,200 runners this year can race across the airfield. In addition, we've set a new centenary challenge to run 100K in 100 days in a virtual race and we're busy working on a suitably spectacular medal for those who rise to the task. All proceeds from these races will go towards the RAF100 Appeal, a joint venture between the Royal Air Force and four major RAF charities.

These new events are in addition to activities running throughout each of the school holidays as well as our major summer event, the Cosford Food Festival. Plus the Outdoor Cinema Screening will be returning for two nights in September and of course, the chance to see behind the scenes in our Conservation Centre during the Open Week in November."

For further information on the 2018 events, please visit the Museum's website www.rafmuseum.org/cosford or call 01902 376200. The Museum is open daily from 10am and entry is FREE of charge.

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Notes to Editors:

RAF100 Appeal:

The RAF100 Appeal is a joint venture between the Royal Air Force and four major RAF charities – the Royal Air Force Benevolent Fund, the Royal Air Forces Association, the Royal Air Force Charitable Trust and the Royal Air Force Museum.

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