

Great things to do this summer: Great Exhibition of the North edition

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The Sill in Northumberland National Park is offering a virtual reality experience The Sill: Northumberland National Park

It's time for the Great Exhibition of the North, which means a whole summer of great things to see and do.

The celebration of everything to do with Northern England runs from 22 June to 9 September, with many parts supported directly by the National Lottery, or taking place at National Lottery-funded places!

Here's just a small selection of what's on offer:

Amazing objects

See John Lennon's last piano, Doctor Who's sonic screwdriver and 248 other amazing objects at the Great North Museum. Can't get there? Visit [A History of the North in Objects](#) to explore and create your own digital collections of 100 other objects.

Fascinating trails

Join one of three fascinating trails around Newcastle and Gateshead. Start at the BALTIC Centre for the Art trail, Sage Gateshead for the Design Trail and Great North Museum for the Innovation trail. Plan your route on the [Get North website](#).

Virtual landscapes

Use virtual reality to experience stunning landscapes and wildlife secrets at The Sill in Northumberland National Park. Find out more about the Digital Landscapes exhibition on [The Sill website](#).

Musical journey

Take a musical journey along the banks of the Tyne. With Opera North, [book a free ticket](#) and pick up your headset at Gateshead Millennium Bridge to start your half hour 'sonic' walk along Hadrian's Wall Path, under six historic bridges and into an original and personal experience of the city's heritage.

Rocket science

Say a big welcome home to Stephenson's Rocket at [Discovery Museum](#). The famous steam locomotive has returned to the city in which it was built for the first time. Discover its history and the science and people behind it with a series of exciting and interactive events.

What is the Great Exhibition of the North?

The Great Exhibition of the North is a free celebration of the North of England's fascinating past, pioneering present and inspiring future. Among other funders, it is supported by £1.7million of National Lottery money. Find out more on the [Get North 2018 website](#).