

NO. 1 ROYAL CRESCENT • MUSEUM OF BATH ARCHITECTURE
BECKFORD'S TOWER & MUSEUM • HERSCHEL MUSEUM OF ASTRONOMY



BATH PRESERVATION TRUST

MUSEUMS WHAT'S ON
AUTUMN 2016



No. 1 ONE ROYAL CRESCENT

Indulgence

daily delights of Georgian Bath

EXHIBITION Until 11 December

An exhibition capturing daily life in Georgian England, in all its glorious excesses! Free with normal admission to the museum.

This exhibition explores the range of amusements Bath had to offer, using Thomas Rowlandson's famous satirical etchings 'The Comforts of Bath' (1798) as inspiration. Rarely seen objects illuminate the often expensive and decadent pastimes.

New illustrations by cartoonist Adrian Teal show a humorous link between Bath's 18th century pleasures and those of contemporary visitors.

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Are you attending the Jane Austen Festival in Bath 9 - 18 September?

Visit No. 1 in costume and receive 10% off your admission ticket! We love seeing all festival goers. Many festival walks finish in the Royal Crescent so do pop in. Visiting the shop and Introduction Room is free.



GREAT BATH FEAST

Saturday 8 October, 9.30-11am
Enjoy a leisurely public breakfast at the Royal Crescent

Come and enjoy an 18th century style public breakfast in the elegant surroundings of No. 1 Royal Crescent. Sample delicious hot buns, toasted fruit bread, cake, Hasslacher's hot chocolate, tea and coffee in the comfort of our private Servants' Hall and Courtyard. Newspapers will also be available. Discover why Hasslacher's hot chocolate stands out from the crowd, and hear our Museum Curator talk about why this drink became so popular in the 18th century.



Hasslacher's

Tickets £10, book online or call 01225 428126.

Ticket holders will be entitled to a 50% discount on museum entry on the day of the event.

MUSEUMS WEEK

In association with exhibition Indulgence: Daily Delights of Georgian Bath



THE BIG DRAW

Saturday 22 - Sunday 30 October
Pleasure and Leisure Family Trail

Hunt around the museum for objects which all connect with our exhibition's theme of Indulgence. Stop off at the Servants' Hall to draw your own delicious cake to add to our cake shop display. Age 7+

Free entry for residents of B&NES during Museums Week, on production of a valid Discovery Card. For other visitors all activities free with normal entry ticket.

MUSEUMS WEEK

Tuesday 25 October, 11am-3.30pm
**Horrible Histories -
Making Remedies Workshop**

Are you a budding scientist? Come and experiment with us. Join Dr Andrews and Professor Rogers to find a cure and mix your own herbal remedies. Use a quill and coloured ink to take home your own fancy medicine label. Drop in anytime to discover what unusual cures and hidden killers lurked in the Georgian home! Age 7+



Thursday 27 October -
Monday 31 October
Hallowe'en Bat Long Weekend

Scary bats have taken over our historic kitchen. Come and count them all for a Hallowe'en treat.



Thursday 27 October,
11am-3.30pm
**Become a Shopkeeper
Workshop**

Dress up in costume to stamp books in the Bookbindery, make sweets at the Confectioners, and other exciting activities. Play mats are available with activities for younger visitors. Drop in anytime to help bring history to life and take home the things you've made! Suitable for all ages.

CHRISTMAS AT NO. 1

Monday 28 November -
Sunday 11 December
A Georgian Christmas

Take a break from shopping to come and see our wonderful Christmas floral displays, and discover how the Georgians celebrated Christmas. Follow our seasonal trail through the house as we explore a different festive theme in each room.



Saturday 3 December, 2.30-4.30pm
**Make your own Christmas
Wreath Workshop**

Enjoy spending an afternoon creating a beautiful festive wreath to hang on your front door this Christmas. Florists from Crescent Flowers of Bath will share their expertise at this informal workshop to help you produce a fabulous wreath full of seasonal colours and foliage.

Tickets £30, book online or call 01225 428126. Includes all materials, hot drinks and a mince pie.

CRESCENT FLOWERS



MUSEUM OF BATH ARCHITECTURE

PLANNING FOR PEACE

EXHIBITION Until 27 November
Planning for Peace: Redesigning Bath during the First World War

In 1916 while Great Britain was in the middle of the First World War, architect Robert Atkinson designed an extraordinary project to redevelop the city of Bath.

Exhibition in partnership with Bath Record Office

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Grand in its vision and ambitious in scale, would this scheme have ever been built or was it propaganda to boost morale and project the confidence that war would soon be over? Atkinson's incredible unbuilt designs are explored in this exhibition, presenting a vision for peacetime Bath imagined during the realities of war.

LECTURES

Thursday 27 October, 6.30pm

The Long Weekend: Life in the English Country House Between the Wars

Join Adrian Tinniswood as he reveals the real life of the English country house and its occupants in the aftermath of the First World War and uncovers the truth about a world half-forgotten, draped in myth and hidden behind stiff upper lips and film-star smiles. Museum of Bath Architecture, Tickets £5

Thursday 3 November, 6.30pm

Commemoration:

The WW1 Memorials of the City of Bath

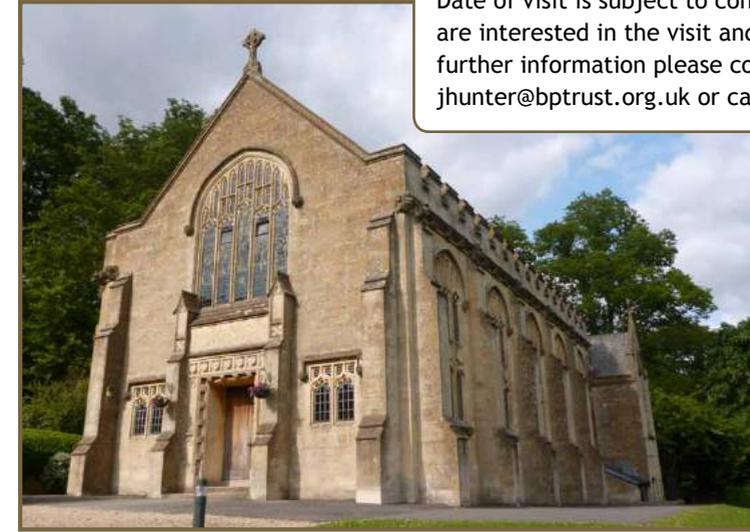
Ahead of this year's marking of Remembrance Day, John Branston discusses the stories behind some of the many memorials that were created in the city in the aftermath of WW1, including a look at some lesser-known memorials and touching on several that have been lost... and found!

Museum of Bath Architecture, Tickets £5



Exhibition Visit: Kingswood School War Memorial Chapel

As part of our Planning for Peace project this visit will look at the work of London architects Gunton & Gunton at the Kingswood chapel, built 1920-22 in memory of former pupils who lost their lives during the First World War.



Date of visit is subject to confirmation; if you are interested in the visit and would like further information please contact Jill Hunter jhunter@bptrust.org.uk or call 01225 333895

CONCERTS

Fridays, 6.30-7.20pm

Autumn Concert Series

Join us and enjoy the wonderful acoustics of the Countess of Huntingdon's Chapel. £8 on door

9 September

Song recital by Luke Daniel (tenor) and Richard Fitzsimmons (baritone), with Steven Hollas (organ)
Solos and duets by Handel, Mendelssohn, Schubert, Schumann, Mascagni, Rheinberger and Stainer.

14 October

Bellacappella conducted by Basira Ward
Pergolesi's Stabat Mater and Rheinberger's Mass in G minor for women's choir and organ

11 November

Violin Duo with Moira Alabaster and Daphne Moody (with organ) Vivaldi double concerto, Mozart Epistle sonatas and Shostakovich

9 December

Cornucopia Horn Quartet with Nicki Woodward (flute) and Niall Hoskin (baritone) Doppler's 'Bird of the Forest', Gordon Carr's Chinese Songs, Raymond Parfrey's Cameos, Debussy's Syrinx and quartets by Mozart, Haydn and Franz Strauss.





Jane Austen Festival

Monday 12 September, 11.30am-12.30pm
Jane Austen Festival Lecture
Town vs Country: Houses and homes in Sense & Sensibility

Some of the most important yet silent characters in the works of Jane Austen are the buildings within which the stories take place. Join Dr Amy Frost as she explores the houses that create the architectural backdrop to the tale of the Dashwoods in Sense & Sensibility. **Tickets £12.** To book visit www.bathboxoffice.org.uk or call 01225 463362

SHORT COURSE

at the Museum of Bath Architecture

An Introduction to British Architecture, Part 2: 1800-1914

Join Dr Amy Frost on a five week course introducing the development of British architecture from the Neo-classicism of the early 1800s, through the variety of the Victorians, and into the first decades of the 20th century.

21, 28 September & 5, 12, 19 October, 6-8pm

£100 course fee or £25 per session, including refreshments (tea/coffee/wine).

See website or contact Jill Hunter 01225 333895 jhunter@bptrust.org.uk

MUSEUMS WEEK

Saturday 22 October - Sunday 30 October (not Monday 24)

Draw like an Architect

Discover how Architects use drawing instruments to help them create their designs. Can you reproduce some of the famous buildings in Bath using a set square, protractor and other equipment? Or feel free to design your own structure. Add your finished picture to our display or take it home. Suitable for all ages

Wednesday 26 October, 2-4pm

The Big Ben Project

Help us draw a huge version of Big Ben on the floor of the museum. You can use giant architectural instruments including a compass and protractor, both a metre long.

Suitable for all ages

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BECKFORD'S TOWER AND MUSEUM

TOWERS OF BATH

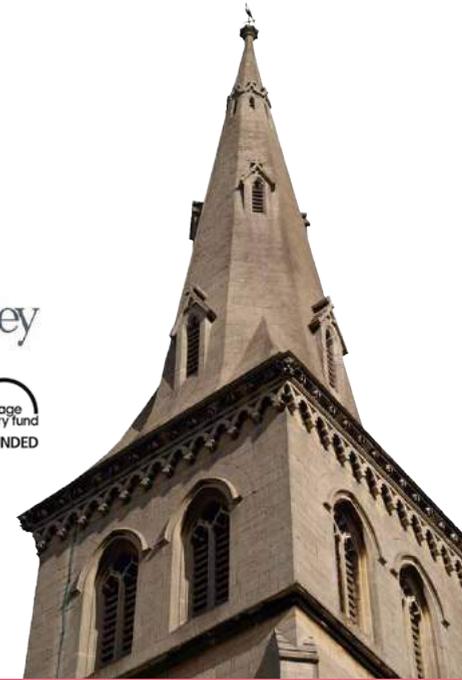
TRAIL Until 30 October

The Towers of Bath

The tall towers and soaring spires of the city stand as landmarks to ambition, religion, and escape. See the display and pick up our free walking trail map, which is also downloadable from www.beckfordstower.org.uk.

In partnership with Bath Abbey

Bath Abbey



BATH ABBEY TALKS

at No.9 Kingston Buildings opposite the Abbey. **Free (donations).** Places are limited.

Please contact Ollie Taylor otaylor@bathabbey.org 01225 303322

Wednesday 7 September, 2-2.45pm

St James: A Lost Tower of Bath with Anna Riggs, Bath Abbey Archivist

Wednesday 28 September, 2-2.45pm

Steeplejacks and stonemasons in their own words: oral histories of working at height on Bath Abbey

BECKFORD'S TOWER WALKS

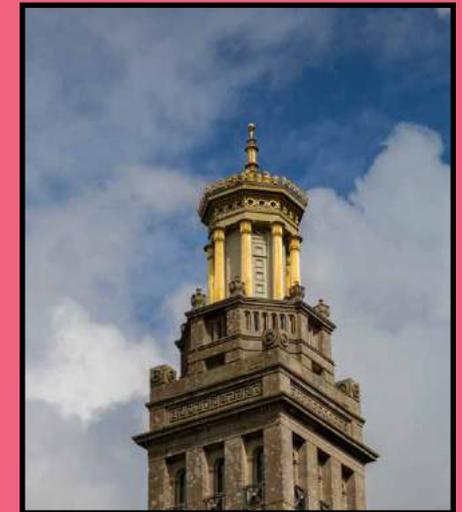
Saturday 24 September, 2pm at Beckford's Tower

The Towers of Lansdown

Walk (downhill from Beckford's Tower) with Dr Amy Frost, Curator Beckford's Tower, exploring the variety of towers that can be found around Lansdown.

Free (donations). Places are limited.

Please contact tower@bptrust.org.uk 01225 460705

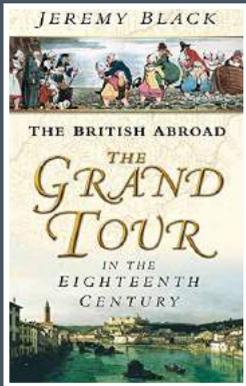




THE BECKFORD BOOK GROUP

Join us at the Tower for our quarterly book group exploring writings (loosely) related to the work of William Beckford. You don't need to have read the book, just be interested in enjoying an evening of talks from experts, interesting discussions, tea, coffee (wine!).

£5 per person. 7pm at Beckford's Tower



Thursday 22 September
The British Abroad: The Grand Tour in the Eighteenth Century by Jeremy Black

Exploring a very important aspect of Beckford's life - and the life of all eighteenth century gentleman - the Grand Tour. You don't need to have read this book in particular, it can be any interesting book on the grand tour, or no book at all.

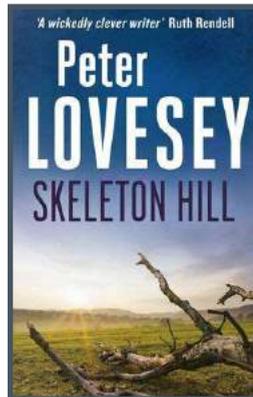


Thursday 1 December
Skeleton Hill by Peter Lovesey

Catch up with Bath's most popular fictional detective Peter Diamond as he unravels the case of a corpse found near Beckford's Tower.

Visit the Beckford Book Group website

www.beckfordstower.org.uk/whats-on/beckford-book-group



BECKFORD BIRTHDAY LECTURE

Friday 7 October, 6.30pm
at the Museum of Bath Architecture
In aid of building repairs at Beckford's Tower.

William Beckford's Architectural Imagination

Explore the inner workings of the Gothic mind and see how William Beckford's early imagination developed into the extraordinary architecture of Fonthill Abbey. With Dale Townsend, Professor of Gothic Literature in the Centre for Gothic Studies at Manchester Metropolitan University and Dr Peter Lindfield Leverhulme, Early Career Research Fellow at the University of Stirling. **Tickets £10**



LECTURE

Tuesday 18 October, 6pm

From Babel to Pasolini: Towers real and imaginary

Join Sidney Blackmore, Secretary of the Beckford Society, as he explores towers of both the real world and the imagination. Beckford's Tower. **Tickets £5**

MUSEUMS WEEK

at Beckford's Tower

Tower & Cemetery Tours

22 October 11am, 23 October 11am,
29 October 11am & 3pm,
30 October 11am & 3pm

Towers of Lansdown Walks (downhill from Beckford's Tower)

Saturday 22 October, 3pm,
Sunday 23 October, 3pm.

Tower tours and walks are free to Bath & North East Somerset residents during Museums Week but booking is essential. Please contact tower@bptrust.org.uk or call 01225 460705





HERSCHEL MUSEUM OF ASTRONOMY

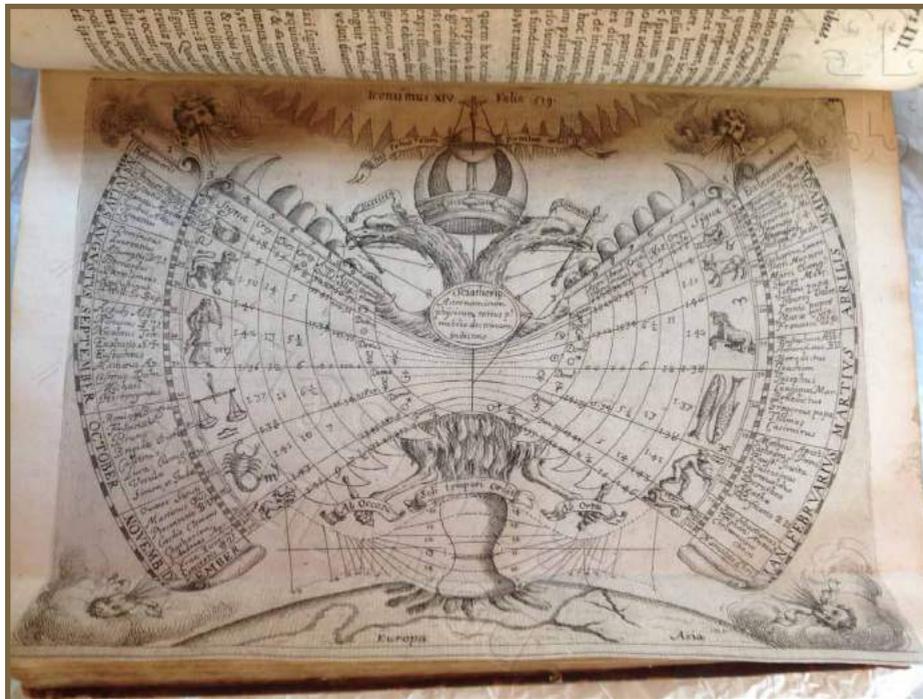
EXHIBITION at the Herschel Museum of Astronomy
Science and Spirituality: Astronomy and the Benedictine Order
Until 12 December

Since its re-establishment after the reformation in the early 19th century, there have been several members of the Catholic community at Downside Abbey who harboured a strong interest in astronomy, including a monk who knew and corresponded with William Herschel. In the middle of the 19th century an observatory was actually built within the monastic grounds; shortly afterwards it was destroyed by fire. The drawings and designs for this building have only recently come to light.



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Early astronomy book from the
Gatty Collection held at Downside



LECTURES

Tuesday 13 September, 7pm

How Outer Space looked to the Georgians

Jonathon Hall, Member of the Herschel Society and Wiltshire Astronomers, talks about the famous brother and sister astronomers

William and Caroline Herschel. William was one of the first people to accurately plot our galaxy from observations he had made of double-stars, and discovered the planet Uranus from his Bath garden in 1781. Both he and Caroline were also gifted musicians.

Held at Priory Barn, Newtown,
Bradford on Avon, BA15 1NQ £4 on door

Thursday 15 September, 6pm

Monks on the Mission:

Benedictine Bath in the Age of Enlightenment

Dr Simon Johnson, Keeper of the Archives and Library of Downside Abbey, explores Benedictine Science from 1669 and throughout the Georgian era, and the important connection with the work of William Herschel.

Held at Museum of Bath Architecture,
Countess of Huntingdon's Chapel.
£6 on door



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MUSEUMS WEEK

Friday 28 October, 1-3pm

Make a Sundial

There are several examples of beautiful sundials at the museum, including in our current exhibition **Science & Spirituality**. Come and find out how they work and make your own simple one to take home. Ages 5- 11, Herschel Museum of Astronomy



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For other visitors all activities
free with normal entry ticket.





**BATH
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Saturday 10 September,
11am - 3.30pm

Southcot Burial Ground Open Day
Bottom of Lyncombe Hill, Widcombe

Bath Preservation Trust owns and manages this hidden oasis in the centre of Bath, which is an important haven for wildlife as well as history. Jessica Flower, who looks after the beehives in the grounds, will give talks throughout the day. Children must be accompanied by an adult at all times.



FILM SCREENING

at the Little Theatre Cinema
Sunday 25 September, 3pm

Bath: Queen of the West

The Little Theatre Cinema is proud to present some long-lost footage of Bath! Dusty old reels tucked away in the corner of the projection room have been revealed as Bath: Queen of the West, a rare film of Bath from 1952 presented by Richard Dimpleby. It is thought that the Little borrowed the film in the 1960s then forgot to return it



Bath: Queen of the West shows a different Bath from the one we know now, revealing a city before the bulldozers did their work in the 1960s, and with walls still covered in soot.

The screening will be introduced by Dr Amy Frost, Architectural Curator, Bath Preservation Trust.

For more information, ticket prices or to book visit www.picturehouses.co.uk or call 01225 330817. **BPT members £8** but only available over the counter



REQUEST FOR CHRISTMAS GREENERY

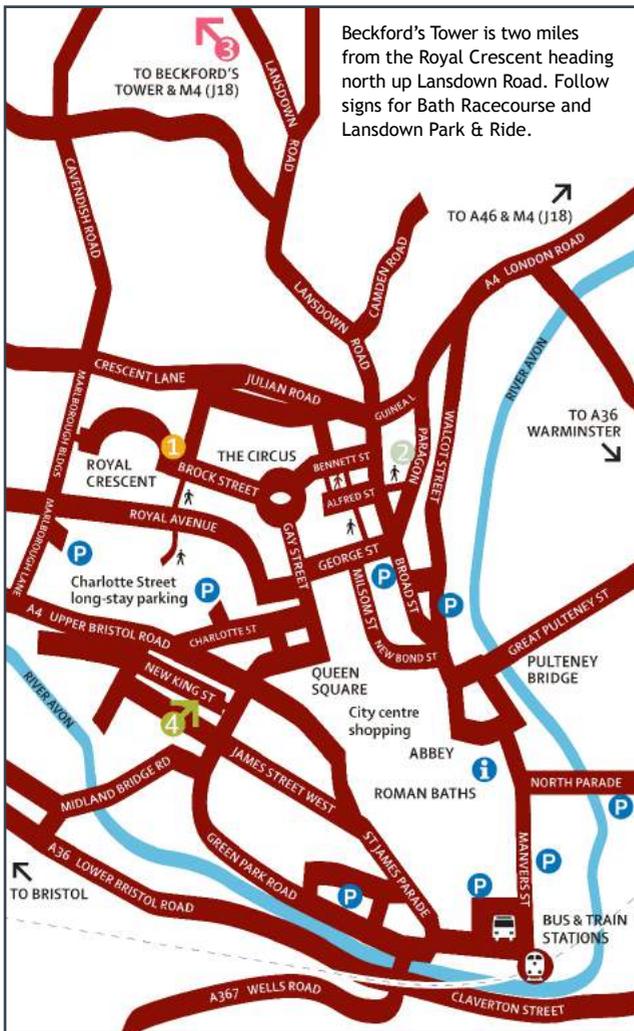
Every year No. 1 Royal Crescent is beautifully decorated for Christmas. In order to transform the house we require lots of donations of greenery. If you feel you would be able to help us, please contact Kate Rogers krogers@bptrust.org.uk

This year we would like to request the following greenery:

- Hydrangea heads, Box and Laurel
- Holly (cut early/mid November so the birds do not eat all the berries and keep cold)
- Ivy (both long and trailing & small and bushy)
- Mistletoe, Bay and Rosemary



Don't forget to visit the Christmas displays at No. 1 Royal Crescent, on show from Monday 28 November - Sunday 11 December.



Beckford's Tower is two miles from the Royal Crescent heading north up Lansdown Road. Follow signs for Bath Racecourse and Lansdown Park & Ride.



- 1 No. 1 Royal Crescent** Bath BA1 2LR
 T 01225 428126. Open Tues - Sun 10.30am-5.30pm. Mon 12.00-5.30pm,
 Last admission 4.30pm. www.no1royalcrescent.org.uk
 Closes on 11 Dec 2016. Open Bank Holidays.

- 2 Museum of Bath Architecture** The Countess of Huntingdon's Chapel
 The Vineyards, Paragon, Bath BA1 5NA. T 01225 333895. Open Tues-Fri
 2-5pm. Weekends 10.30am-5pm. www.museumofbatharchitecture.org.uk
 Closes on 27 Nov 2016

- 3 Beckford's Tower & Museum** Lansdown Road, Bath BA1 9BH
 T 01225 460705. Open Saturday, Sunday and Bank Holiday Mondays,
 10.30am-5pm. www.beckfordstower.org.uk
 Closes on 30 Oct 2016

- 4 The Herschel Museum of Astronomy** 19 New King Street, Bath BA1 2BL
 T 01225 446865. Weekdays 1-5pm, Weekends and Bank Holidays,
 11am-5pm. Last admission 4.15pm. www.herschelmuseum.org.uk
 Closes on 11 Dec 2016

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