

In 2027

Make way for a creative events programme that is accessible to all!

MUSEUMS, ARTISTS, ASSOCIATIONS, LOCAL AUTHORITIES AND CULTURAL VENUES ARE JOINING FORCES TO BRING THIS EXCITING PROJECT TO LIFE ACROSS EUROPE

- Expect historical exhibitions, contemporary art and immersive experiences,
- Podcasts, films and audiovisual creations,
- European tours, creative exchanges and multilingual projects,
- Artist residencies, creative laboratories, schools in action and innovative formats,
- Events focusing on gastronomy and crafts,
- Medieval festivals, re-enactments, and large public gatherings,
- Sports events and collective challenges,
- Guided tours and heritage walks,
- Debates, conferences and ideas in motion,
- Theatre, dance and concerts, as well as open-air performances.

SEVERAL PROJECTS HAVE ALREADY BEEN ANNOUNCED:

- A monumental textile work by Hélène Delprat, conceived as the missing scene from the Bayeux Tapestry, to be exhibited in the United Kingdom and Falaise,
- A contemporary art trail across Europe,
- A large gathering of historic boats,
- The opening or reopening of museums in France Ireland and Norway,
- An exceptional exhibition at the British Library in London,
- International conferences, including the Battle Conference in Normandy...

All in a festive, accessible spirit that is clearly focused on the future!

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Normandy will not be celebrating alone; it will reach out to Europe, sharing its history and listening to others.

- This event will encourage dialogue between regions, bring different perspectives together and highlight the links between yesterday's and today's cultures.
- Bridges will be built between generations, languages and histories to create a shared memory focused on the future.

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the Normandy Region will celebrate a significant anniversary, a European adventure!

William the Conqueror was born in Falaise 1,000 years ago.

In 2027, we will not only be celebrating this anniversary,

but also setting the whole of Europe alight!

## Why Europe?

Because the Normans left their mark far beyond Normandy.

Their epic deeds have left a lasting legacy, carried forward by historical figures both famous and lesser known, such as:

- **William the Conqueror**, who became King of England in 1066.
- **Strongbow**, leader of the Norman conquest of Ireland in the 12<sup>th</sup> century.
- **Roger I and Roger II**, founders of the Kingdom of Sicily, who transformed southern Italy into a major cultural crossroads.
- **The Vikings**, ancestors of the Normans, who came from Norway and Denmark and were at the very origin of the Duchy of Normandy.

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It will be an amazing opportunity to come together to celebrate the events that have shaped history and continue to inspire us today.

→ Numerous events will take place throughout Normandy and beyond, including in the United Kingdom, Ireland, the Channel Islands, southern Italy (including Sicily), Flanders, Norway and Denmark, to celebrate this unique connection between past and present, between Normandy and Europe.

