

## **The Vikings**

### ***Master Mariners, Traders, Colonists and Artisans***

### **Traveling exhibition available from The Manitoba Museum**

Vikings have long been the victims of bad press. English and Irish histories have focused on one limited and negative aspect – their early raiding activities. The image of Vikings as horned, bloodthirsty barbarians has been propagated by history texts of other English-speaking countries, such as Canada and the United States. However, archaeologists have helped paint an entirely different picture—a more accurate representation of Vikings as mariners, colonizers, merchants, and skilled craftspeople.

This exhibit addresses the issue of stereotypes, using evidence on Viking activities in North America and Europe to replace Hollywood's damaging portrayal with the truth. The exhibit includes text, illustrations, and artefact replicas from many of Viking sites in northern Europe and the temporary settlement at L'Anse aux Meadows, Newfoundland, coupled with items from Inuit camps in Canada's high Arctic islands.

### **Content**

Archaeology exhibition

Five units depicting life in a Viking settlement

High quality artefact replicas and text labels mounted on 12 panels

Can be configured to suit almost any space

English text

Edukit

### **Space requirements**

700 - 1000 sq. ft. or 65-90 sq. m.

Nine shipping crates plus one Teacher Resource kit (10 items)

### **Costs**

\$1,000 per month plus in-bound shipping; minimum two month booking

General insurance included; borrower responsible for liability insurance

### **Availability**

Available periods in 2009 and beyond

Booked at The Maritime Museum of British Columbia, Victoria BC - Nov 15, 2008 - May 22, 2009

Booked at Western Development Museum - Moose Jaw, SK: Feb - Mar, 2010

Booked at Western Development Museum - Saskatoon, SK: Apr - May, 2010

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