

The Vikings and Norse Mythology Lecture Series 2023- Thursdays at 6 PM

Sons of Norway- Mandt Lodge will host a series of free lecture videos produced by The Great Courses. The Vikings are 36 - 30 minute lectures by Professor Kenneth W. Hart. The Norse Mythology series have 24 - 30 minute lectures presented by Jackson Crawford. Each lecture is a stand along so you can attend when you can. We will meet on Thursdays except for January 11 when we'll showcase the series at our January 11 meeting at 7 PM. The rest of the sessions will be on Thursdays at 6 PM in the downstairs of the lodge. Bring your own refreshments and the public is welcome! For more information, contact Darlene Arneson at arnesonfamily5@gmail.com or 608-873-7209. We will show 2 videos each night with discussion until March 23 when we'll show three (1 Mythology and 2 Viking) in order to get them all shown before summer sets in!

Location: Sons of Norway Mandt Lodge, 317 S. Page Street in Stoughton, WI

Date	Norse Mythology	The Vikings	The Vikings
1/5/23	Meeting the Norse Gods of the Viking Age	The Vikings in Medieval History	
1/11/23	Fate and the Norse Worldview	Land and People of Medieval Scandinavia	NOTE: this is a Wednesday at 7 PM
1/12/23	The Norse Art of Mythic Storytelling	Scandinavian Society in the Bronze Age	
1/19/23	The Norse Gods are Characters and Flaws	Scandinavia in the Celtic and Roman Ages	
1/26/23	The Norse Creation: Dawn of Strife	The Age of Migrations	
2/2/23	First Humans, the Nine Realms, and Yggdrasil	The Norse Gods	
2/9/23	Loki and His Children	Runes, Poetry, and Visual Arts	
2/16/23	Balder's Death: Tragic Murder of a God	Legendary Kings and Heroes	
2/23/23	Rangarok: The Final Battle and Fall	A Revolution in Shipbuilding	
3/2/23	Thor among the Gods' Enemies	Warfare and Society in the Viking Age	
3/9/23	Thor among the Gods	Merchants and Commerce in the Viking Age	
3/16/23	Odin, Lord of War and the Dead	Christendom on the Eve of the Viking Age	
3/23/23	Odin and Wisdom	Viking Raids on the Carolingian Empire	The Duchy of Normandy
3/30/23	A Second Family of Gods? The Vanir	Viking Assault on England	The Danelaw
4/13/23	Valkyries and the Goddess Freyja	Viking Assault on Ireland	Norse Kings of Dublin and Ireland
4/20/23	Dwarves, Elves, Trolls, and Zombies	The Settlement of Iceland	Iceland- A Frontier Republic
4/27/23	Odin and the Rise of the Volsungs	Skaldic Poetry and Sagas	Western Voyages to Greenland and Vinland
5/4/23	The Fall of the Greatest Volsung Hero	Swedes in the Baltic Sea and Russia	The Road to Byzantium
5/11/23	Viking History Becomes Volsung Myth	From Varangians into Russians	Transformation of Scandinavian Society
5/25/23	Shieldmaidens, Berserkers and Bear Men	St. Anskar and the First Christian Missions	Formation of the Kingdom of Denmark
6/1/23	Norse Religion, Sacrifices, and Festivals	Cnut the Great	Collapse of Cnut's Empire
6/8/23	Norse Magic: Spells, Curses and Runes	Jaris and Sea Kings of Norway	St. Olaf of Norway
6/15/23	After Life: Hel and Valhalla	Kings of the Swedes and Goths	Christianization and Economic Change
6/22/23	The Enduring Appeal of Norse Mythology	From Vikings to Crusaders	The Viking Legacy