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## **NORWEGIAN FURTHER EDUCATION COLLEGE IS STARTING PROGRAM FOR WANT-TO-BE VIKINGS**

### **INSPIRED BY TV DRAMA GAME OF THRONES**

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**USPA NEWS** - Public interest in all things Viking has increased in recent years due to television, dramas such as "Game Of Thrones" and "Vikings". So, NORWAY is starting a school for vikings, knowing that a large number of applicants have different reasons to follow those courses...

According to Arve HUSBY, talking to Norwegian broadcaster NRK, many of the applicants became interested through television series and many others want to learn handicraft. The school's leading viking teacher is Jeppe NORDMANN GARLY describing himself as a "recreational viking", having spent a lot of time trying to get as close as possible to the viking experience. He even emphasizes that he is the first viking teacher. The students at the school will have the opportunity to row viking ships, learn ceramics and woodworks.

The vikings have earned their place in history as a seafaring warrior culture with a fine eye for design and a good ear for storytelling. The vikings were pirates who came to plunder and kill, and they spread terror along Europe's coasts. They were also skilled traders, administrators and craftsmen in metal and wood, producing beautiful jewellery and artefacts that survive to this day. Vikings were experts in water transportation, their longships were narrow, light, wooden boats with a shallow-draft hull designed for speed and easy navigation in shallow waters. This was a major advantage in a sea filled with concealed icebergs and sea ice. Norwegian vikings were courageous, cunning and had a fatalistic outlook.

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