



The Lecture Programme 2017

12th January

The Art and Beauty of Old Maps of the World

Yasha Beresiner

We look at the world of maps which extends from BC 3000 to Harry Beck's London Underground of 1931.

9th February

Ocean Liner Art: Ships that Shaped our Lives 1800-1950, featuring Isambard Kingdom Brunel

Dr James Taylor

The visions and genius of Brunel underpin this global story of hopes and dreams, disasters and triumphs.

9th March

Income and Inspiration: Financial Secrets of the Masters

David Phillips

It is almost taboo to mention money in art gallery wall labels, yet in reality artists were as pre-occupied with cash as the rest of us.

13th April

Thomas Heatherwick: "The Leonardo da Vinci of our Times"

Anthea Streeter

Heatherwick has emerged as one of Britain's most gifted and imaginative designers renowned for his team's design for the Olympic Cauldron.

11th May

Photography as Fine Art

Brian Stater

This lecture argues that photography can equal, not to say exceed, more traditional disciplines of portraiture, landscape and still life.

8th June

The Splendours of North Africa - Roman and Islamic Art of Libya, Tunisia and Morocco

Christopher Bradley

We plunder the wealth of the Bardo and Tripoli museums to see the finest mosaics and statues of North Africa.

13th July

The Art of Enamelling

Dr Sally Hoban

We explore the ancient art of fusing powdered glass with metal to make exquisite jewellery and metalware across the ages.

14th September

Mr Barry's Great Work: Rebuilding the New Houses of Parliament

Caroline Shenton

The Houses of Parliament - a masterpiece of Victorian architecture and a spectacular feat of civil engineering.

12th October AGM

The Consolation of Movement: the Sculpture of Edgar Degas and Auguste Rodin

Michael Howard At once traditional and revolutionary, the work of Degas and Rodin celebrates our shared experience of being alive in different ways.

9th November

Basingstoke and its Contribution to World Culture

Rupert Willoughby

This lecture describes how post-war planners were politically motivated and bent on destroying all traces of Basingstoke's past.

Visits

Thursday 23rd February

Museum of Brands & Leighton House Museum

Booking opens at January meeting.

Wednesday 26th April

Bombay Sapphire Distillery & Whitchurch Silk Mill

Booking opens at March meeting.

Wednesday 19th July

Chartwell House & Gardens

Booking opens at June meeting.

October (date to be confirmed)

Houses of Parliament

Booking opens at September meeting.

Tour

18th - 22nd May

The Historic Houses & Heritage of Yorkshire

Special Interest Days

Thursday 23rd March

Backstage at the Opera

Simon Rees

Booking opens at February Meeting.

Thursday 7th September

The Romanovs - Tyrants & Martyrs of Imperial Russia

Douglas Skeggs

Booking opens at June Meeting.

Thursday 7th December (evening)

Festive Supper followed by

Mrs Beeton's Christmas

Annie Gray

Booking opens at October Meeting.

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