



THE ARTS SOCIETY GRANTHAM

ENRICHING LIVES THROUGH THE ARTS

PROPOSED PROGRAMME AND MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FOR THE 2021/2022 Season

June 2021

Dear Member

The Chairman and Committee cannot thank you enough for the support and flexibility you have shown during this difficult year. We hope you have remained well throughout and trust The Arts Society and in particular The Arts Society Grantham, gave you some encouragement. We have all had to learn to cope with online meetings and lectures and master new technology which I, for one, have found an enriching experience. Who knew we could tour museums and galleries not to mention watch plays and ballet virtually, but nothing beats getting together face to face and we hope to be back in The Guildhall Theatre in September for live lectures and a bit of socialising?

We are also investigating the possibility of offering a hybrid lecture which means that you can watch the lecture taking place at the Guildhall at home on Zoom if all the restrictions have not been lifted or you feel more comfortable doing so.

In the meantime, here is what TASG is planning:

- 1. The Chairman will continue to update members with a regular newsletter**
- 2. The Garden Party will be held on the 4th July (government guidelines permitting) – an ideal opportunity to see each other again.**
- 3. A varied and interesting programme of Lectures from September to June- see attached. Complimentary coffee and tea to be served beforehand at the Guildhall Arts Centre**
- 4. To resume Visits and Study Days. Details of the complimentary Study Day will be announced shortly**
- 5. The Yorkshire Art Tour rescheduled for 2022**
- 6. New Young Arts Secretary to arrange initiatives in this area soon**
- 7. Programme cards to be mailed mid to late August at no expense to members**

The Arts Society has plenty of content for us to enjoy and there will be some items that are for members only the details of which will be announced soon but here are some examples:

- 1. The Arts Society Connected website (connected.theartssociety.org) will continue**
- 2. The Arts Society will offer online, monthly lectures**
- 3. The Instant Expert mailings will continue**
- 4. The Arts Society Magazine will continue to be published**

Finally, we would like to emphasise that being a member of The Arts Society Grantham is, also, about being part of the bigger picture and your subscription helps support volunteering and arts education both nationally and in our community. To this end The Arts Society will be giving all societies a grant of £250.00 to be donated to a local arts cause, to help them get back on their feet after these difficult times.

RENEWAL ARRANGEMENTS

We are sure you will be pleased to learn that the membership fee remains unchanged at £35.00 per person.

We do not need you to complete a renewal form nor send a stamped-addressed envelope to us. We will mail your programme card to you (mid to late August) as confirmation of your renewal.

Thank you to those who have already made their payments. For those of us still to do so, please make sure it is done by the 15th August to ensure automatic renewal but the earlier the better.

You can pay by the following methods:

1. Standing Order – **no action required if you have already set up a Standing Order**
2. Direct Bank Transfer
3. Cheque

Please see the attached details showing how these methods can be arranged.

If for some reason you do not wish to renew your membership, please, please let me know as soon as possible but preferably prior to the 1st August as this helps with planning. Please contact me by one of the methods below and it would be helpful to know your reason for resigning.

As far as recruitment goes, you are our greatest asset, so please spread the word and if you know of anyone who wishes to become a member, please put them in touch with me or any member of the Committee.

If you have any suggestions or comments, please do forward them to any of the Committee members. Once again, we thank you for your support and look forward to welcoming you once again in person as soon as we can.

Yours sincerely,

Jane Shone
Membership Secretary

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PAYMENT METHODS

Standing Orders

Existing Standing Order – **no action required**

New Standing Order

Please use online banking, where possible, to set up a new standing order for £35.00 per person using the Arts Society Grantham account details below. Please show the start date as 31st July 2021 and 31st July each year thereafter. (If you should miss this date please make a bank transfer or send a cheque instead and set up the standing order for July 2022.) Include the membership reference which is the *first three letters of your name and the last three characters of your postcode*.

Direct bank transfer

Use Online Banking to set up your Bank Transfer for £35.00 per person, using the account details for The Arts Society Grantham given on the attached Standing Order form and include the membership reference (the first 3 letters of your surname followed by the last 3 characters of your postcode).

Bank & Branch to which payment will be made
Sort Code
Account number
Account name

Lloyds Bank, Grantham
30 - 93 - 58
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The Arts Society Grantham

Payment by cheque

Please make your cheque out for £35.00 per person payable to The Arts Society Grantham and include your membership reference (the first 3 letters of your surname and the last 3 characters of your postcode) on the back of the cheque. Send it to the membership Secretary at the address below:

J E Shone
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GDPR Compliance:

- Members' details will be processed fairly and lawfully in order to satisfy the agreement entered with you on your admittance to membership. This will ensure that you receive the latest news and information about all upcoming events.
- Members' details will be passed to "The Arts Society" to enable inclusion on the mailing of the quarterly magazine and other communications including information about any upcoming national events or items of legitimate interest
- Members' details may be passed to "The Arts Society Area", or other affiliated societies for the purposes of disseminating relevant information of legitimate interest
- Your details will be kept safely and securely and you have the ability to opt out of our communications at any time



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PROGRAMME OF LECTURES 2021-2022

2021

21 st September	Timothy Walker	The Subtle Science & Exact Art of Colour in English Garden Design
19 th October	Brian Slater	Women Behind the Lens: Outstanding Female Photographers & their Contribution to the Art of Photography
2 nd November	Chris Alexander	Unravelling the Silk Road: A Textile Journey

CHRISTMAS LECTURE

30 th November	Sandy Burnett	Celebrate, Rejoice, Rise Up – Christmas in Bach's Leipzig
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2022

18 th January	Caroline Shenton	Packing Up the Nation
15 th February	Barbara Askew	Windsor Castle from Medieval Fortress to Royal Palace
15 th March	Richard Thomas	Bronzes of Ifa & Benin
19 th April	Jo Banham	Papers from Peking: Chinese Wallpapers
17 th May	Helen Doe	Merchant Ship Figureheads
21 st June	AGM followed by	
	Roger Butler	Hidden World of Canal Heritage (including the Grantham & Nottingham Canals)

VENUE:
The Theatre of the
Guildhall Arts Centre,
St Peter's Hill, Grantham

09.50 – 10.25	Coffee/Tea (complimentary to members)
10.50	Please be seated for Chairman's welcome and notices
11.00	Lecture begins promptly
12.00 noon	Approximate end of lecture

For full membership
or to attend an individual lecture (by prior booking only)
CONTACT THE MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY
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