

The Society's Diary provides members with an easy reference list of events in the Wimbledon area. Details are believed to be correct, but can change and should be checked. Send items for inclusion to Asif Malik on asifamalik@aol.com

- ❖ The Society's *Museum of Wimbledon* on Ridgway (corner of Lingfield Road) is open on Saturdays and Sundays 2.30pm to 5pm. School visits can be arranged.
- ❖ The Society's *Local History Group* meets on the first Friday of each month – except August. In the *Museum of Wimbledon* (corner of Lingfield Road) at 8.15pm. All welcome.
- ❖ *Wimbledon Windmill Museum*: Windmill Road, Wimbledon Common: open April to October, Saturdays 2pm to 5pm, Sundays and Bank Holiday Mondays 11am to 5pm.

December 2018

Sat 1 10am – 3.30pm	Christmas Gift and Craft Fair: Organised by the Rangers. Share a glass of mulled wine and a mince pie as you browse the stalls. Start the Christmas season off with a swing! Rangers' office. See WPCC website, or email rangersoffice@wpcc.co.uk , or tel 8788 7655.
Sat 1 10am-5pm	Lantern Christmas Celebrations: Arts Centre throws open the doors to the whole building for a day of fun and entertainment. No need to book – Just turn up! Suggested donation on the door - £2 per person. Tree lighting with Brass Band – 5pm. Lantern Arts Centre, 195-205 Worple Road, Raynes Pk.
Sat 1 7.30pm	West Barnes Singers: Choruses from Messiah, festive carols with choristers from St Mary's. St Saviour's Church, Grand Drive, Raynes Park. Tickets £10 (children free) at the door. www.westbarnessingers.co.uk
Mon 3 7.00pm	General Open Meeting. The Conservators will hold an Open Meeting for you to come along and ask any questions or discuss any concerns you may have about the Commons. Venue: London Scottish Golf Club, beside the Windmill. Details as 1 December.
Mon 3 7.00pm	Jigsaw Players: Free concert dedicated to female composers, featuring Clara Schumann, Lili & Nadia Boulanger, Fanny Mendelssohn, Rebecca Clarke and Kate Whitely. Venue: Senior Hall, Wimbledon High School, Mansel Road. Book on jigsawplayers.co.uk
Tue 4 8 for 8.30pm	Wimbledon Film Club at Curzon: "Son of the Bride". Argentina. Touching mid-life crisis. Rom com. Oscar nominee. Q&A. Members' choice. Members £6, non-members £12 www.wimbledonfilmclub.com
Sun 9	Wimbledon Village Business Association: Christmas in the Village. Enjoy the festive atmosphere. Wimbledon Guild will be running Santa's Grotto and carol singers all day. www.wimbledon-village.com
Wed 12 7.30 for 8pm	The Arts Society Wimbledon illustrated lecture "Dazzling Dufy" Speaker: Mary Alexander. Invitation to a luminous feast with Raoul Dufy. Sacred Heart Church Parish Hall, Edge Hill. Non-members £10. http://www.artsocwim.org.uk
Wed 12 – Sat 15, 7.30pm	Sleeping Beauty: panto at the Lantern. All the usual panto shenanigans with amazing choreography. Tickets are £14/£12 and can be purchased from the Box Office on 0203 761 7070 or on www.lanternarts.org Lantern Arts Centre, 195-205 Worple Road, Raynes Park.
Thu 13 6.30pm	Wimbledon Guild Carol Concert: St Mark's Church, Wimbledon SW19 7ND. With performances from The Study Wimbledon and Bishop Gilpin Primary School. Doors open 6pm, concert starts 6.30pm. Tickets on sale November, www.wimbledonguild.co.uk or call 020 8946 0735.
Sat 15 3pm – 5pm	Christmas Carols at the Windmill. Windmill Museum and the Conservators, with the Wandle Brass Band. Mulled wine and mince pies. Magical and atmospheric family event. Free entry. Details as 1 December.
Sun 16 6.30pm	Carols by Candlelight. A candlelit service for all the family telling the Christmas story and celebrating the birth of Jesus, with traditional lessons, choral classics sung by the St John's Singers. With mince pies and mulled wine. St John's Church, Spencer Hill Wimbledon SW19 4NZ
Tue 18 10.45am – 12pm	Jingle All The Way! Carols with mulled wine and festive fayre. Wimbledon Guild, Guild House, 30/32 Worple Road. £5 to include song sheets and refreshments. Booking essential. www.wimbledonguild.co.uk or call 020 8946 0735.
Tue 18 7.30pm	Comedians and Carols: Paul Kerensa (writer on Top Gear, Miranda, Not Going Out) brings his comedic version of Nine Lessons & Carols. It's the perfect preparation for Christmas. Tickets from the Box Office on 0203 761 7070 or on www.lanternarts.org Lantern Arts Centre, 195-205 Worple Road, Raynes Park.
Dec 18 – Mar 19	Wimbledon Theatre An outstanding programme of shows in Wimbledon's showpiece theatre. These include " Aladdin ": panto(8 Dec – 6 Jan), with Paul Merton. Plus numerous 1-night shows. More information and tickets for all shows on www.atgtickets.com/venues/new-wimbledon-theatre

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Wed 9 7.30 for 8pm	The Arts Society Wimbledon: illustrated lecture "From Venice to Sheffield". Speaker: Simon Seligman. John Ruskin's passion for Art, Craft and Social Justice. Details as 12 December 2018.
Fri 11	Merton U3A: "English Cheeses" A talk by Rosemary Horton. Do you know that there are over 700 named British cheeses produced in the UK (British Cheese Board)! Venue: Drake House, 44 St George's Road. http://www.mertonu3a.org.uk/talks.htm
Thu 24 2pm	Wimbledon Society Lecture: "Growing up in Lingfield Road in the 1940s" Tim Albert will take us back to the days of Sunnyspread sandwiches and Miss Potts' ballroom dancing lessons. Lounge, Emmanuel Church, Ridgway.
Fri 25 1pm	Lunchtime Recital: With local and international professional musicians. St John's Church, Spencer Hill. Donations in aid of the St John's Music Fund. Coffee and cakes from 12.30. See stjohnswimbledon.co.uk
Mon 28 10.30am	Wimbledon Society Visit: Guided tour of Drapers' Hall (City). The Drapers' Company was granted its first Royal Charter in 1364 and its current site in Throgmorton St was bought from Henry VIII in 1543. The Hall was rebuilt in 1667, again in 1772 and finally in 1898 by Thomas Jackson (architect of Eagle House, Wimbledon). Meet at the venue. Booking form with this newsletter.
February	2019
Fri 1 7 for 7.30pm	Macmillan Cancer Support 'Escaping from Colditz Castle': A talk and supper in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support. Col. Piers Storie-Pugh gives an account of his father Peter's dramatic WWII experiences. Venue: Garden Hall, St Mary's Church. Tickets £25 each. Contact Zoe Penny at zmpenny@btinternet.com or tel 020 8947 4297
Sat 9 7.30pm	Jigsaw Players, featuring Jazz with Zoe Rahman. One of the brightest stars on the contemporary jazz scene. Venue: Southside House, Woodhayes Road. Book on jigsawplayers.co.uk
Wed 13 7.30 for 8pm	The Arts Society Wimbledon: illustrated lecture "The Honourable and Dishonourable Art of Acting". Speaker: Malcolm Jones.. Details as 12 December 2018.
Fri 22 1pm	Lunchtime Recital: With local and international professional musicians. St John's Church, Spencer Hill. Donations in aid of the St John's Music Fund. Coffee and cakes from 12.30. See stjohnswimbledon.co.uk
Sat 23 2.15pm	Wimbledon National Trust Association: Lecture by Angela Young "The Aristocrat, the Able Seaman and the Tragic sinking of RMS Titanic". £3 for WNTA members, £3.50 for non-members. Enquiries 020 8401 2157, www.wimbledonnta.org.uk . Venue: Christchurch Hall, Cottenham Park Road, SW20 0RZ
March	2019
Sat 2 7.30pm	Wimbledon Symphony Orchestra Concert in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support: St Paul's Church, Inner Park Road. The programme, conducted by Andrew Morley, includes SUPPE Light Cavalry Overture, FINZI Clarinet Concerto and BRAHMS Symphony no 1, with soloist Richard Stockall. Tickets £25 each to include interval refreshments, Contact Zoe Penny at zmpenny@btinternet.com or tel 020 8947 4297
Sat 9 7.30pm	Academy Choir Bruckner's mass no.2 in E minor with shorter works by Bruckner, Mendelssohn, Brahms and Schubert. St Johns Church, Spencer Hill, SW19 4NZ. Ticket prices and programme information on website www.academychoirwimbledon.co.uk
Wed 13 7.30 for 8pm	The Arts Society Wimbledon: illustrated lecture "Architecture + Photography = Art" Speaker: Brian Stater. Details as 12 December 2018.
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Wed 27 2pm	Wimbledon Society Visit: Kenwood House, Hampstead. Between 1764 and 1779, Robert Adam transformed the house into a neoclassical villa and its interiors include some of his finest surviving designs. Now houses the 1st Earl of Iveagh's collection of Old Master and British paintings. Meet at the venue. Booking form with this newsletter.
Sat 30 2.15pm	Wimbledon National Trust Association: Lecture by Alan Gallop "Victoria's Children of the Dark". Details as 23 February.
Wed 3 April 8pm	Wimbledon Society Lecture: "In defence of Emma" Raglan Tribe is a descendant of one of the best known past local residents. He puts a different perspective on the role of Emma Hamilton in the life of Nelson. Venue: Lounge, Emmanuel Church, Ridgway. Note: this diary entry confirms the date of this lecture, previously noted at TBA.

Please note: We have tried our best to include all the information we have been sent and we hope that it is accurate. However, lack of space means it has not been possible to include everything. Please contact the individual organisations for further details of their programmes and to check items.