

What's on at the Lit&Sci in July?



NEWS

"I am so lucky to belong to HLSI. This period of lockdown would be so much harder were it not for all the amazing classes and talks that have been organised. Thank you for saving my sanity!" It is delightful to know that members are making the most of their membership of HLSI and that it is proving an asset at this time. There is even more on offer this month, including the very welcome re-opening of the **Library** - details below. We also have a **Quiz**, a **Debate**, a second **One-to-One interview**, and more fascinating **Tuesday Talks** and **Courses**. I hope you enjoy this very varied and nourishing diet of activities!
With best wishes, Kathy Dallas, HLSI President

Contacting the office Please continue to use our email address for most enquiries: admin@hlsi.net. If you particularly need to speak to a member of staff, you may now use the new temporary office phone number: 07724 569208.

Using Zoom Zoom invitations will often be sent from the following email address: president@hlsi.net. Please check your Junk email box in case they are sent there, or adjust your settings to accept the address.

Help with Zoom A reminder that 'Coffee and Computers' offers informal, friendly learning sessions and one to one help with any computer, tablet or phone issue, including the use of Zoom. Meetings take place on the first and last Friday of the month at 10.30am. Contact highgatecoffeeandcomputers@gmail.com.



LIBRARY

Members will be delighted to know that borrowing books from the HLSI Library is now possible. From 7 July, our **deposit and collection times** will be **Tuesday and Friday afternoons, 1.30-3.30pm**. Members may browse the catalogue online and email requests to Margaret Mackay, the Librarian, who will arrange a time for pick-up and drop-off of books from the HLSI foyer. She will be able to respond to emails, and take phone calls, on Tuesday and Friday mornings. All books will be given the requisite quarantine before re-issue, and all care will be taken for the safety of staff and members.

The lockdown may have eased but the **Lockdown Log** continues! We hope that members returning library books during the click and collect scheme might consider writing a short review. Please send contributions to librarian@hlsi.net from now on.

For the Library service, email librarian@hlsi.net or phone 020 8340 3343 between 10.00am and 1.30pm, Tuesday or Friday.



TUESDAY TALKS

These short, entertaining early evening Talks are held at 6.00pm and are delivered on Zoom. There is a short question and answer session at the end, using the Chat facility.

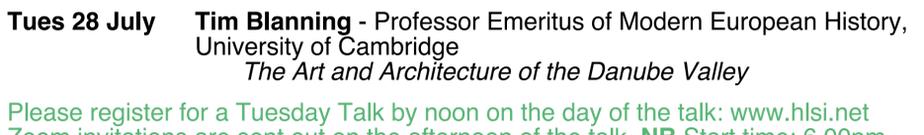
Tues 7 July Isabel Raphael - teacher, former President of HLSI
Songs from Parnassus

Tues 14 July Peter Webb - art historian and lecturer
Monet's Garden at Giverny

Tues 21 July Maureen Lipman - actress, writer, columnist and comedian
My Life in Lockdown

Tues 28 July Tim Blanning - Professor Emeritus of Modern European History, University of Cambridge
The Art and Architecture of the Danube Valley

Please register for a Tuesday Talk by noon on the day of the talk: www.hlsi.net
Zoom invitations are sent out on the afternoon of the talk. **NB** Start time: 6.00pm



HIGHGATE DEBATE

Another HLSI event is transferred to Zoom! Please join us to debate the live topic of the BBC, enlightened by the arguments of expert speakers, supported by 'seconders' from local sixth forms. Speakers from the floor will be able to make contributions to the debate, which will have the same format as usual. Please note start time: **6.00pm**

Thurs 16 July This House Believes that ... **THE BBC IS A NATIONAL TREASURE THAT WE ALL NEED TO PAY FOR**

Proposer **Paul Kafno** - television producer and writer

Opposer **Martyn Bond** - former BBC producer and foreign correspondent

Please register for the Debate by noon on 16 July: www.hlsi.net
Zoom invitations will be sent out on the afternoon of the debate

IT'S QUIZ NIGHT!

If you enjoy quizzing, join us for a fun evening at **7.30pm on 22 July**. You can join as an individual (we will allocate you a team) or you can enter as a team of up to 5 people. There will be 5 rounds of 10 questions each on various topics including 2 picture rounds. Below is a sample of the type of question – have a go!
Answers are at the end of this Update

Q LITERARY LINKS
One of the books written by these authors is linked to books by the others e.g. Ian McEwan, Georgette Heyer, Alan Sillitoe wrote books entitled: Saturday; Friday's Child; Saturday Night and Sunday Morning – the link is DAYS OF THE WEEK

Give the titles of the books and the link between them:

- 1 Daniel Defoe; Albert Camus; Gabrielle Garcia Marquez
- 2 Ray Bradbury; Joseph Heller; Kurt Vonnegut
- 3 Alice Walker; L. M. Montgomery; Donna Tart
- 4 Umberto Eco; Henry James; Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie
- 5 Robert Louis Stevenson; Dickens; Oscar Wilde

The Quiz will take place using Zoom and you will need to have the facilities of a microphone and video camera, so that you can be seen and heard by your Zoom team mates. To take part, and for further details, email president@hlsi.net. A donation of £10 per person would be appreciated.



SCIENCE GROUP

The Science Group holds online meetings for those who have signed up as members of the Science Group.

Thurs 2 July Barry Mellor - sailor and historian
Some scientific aspects of Captain Cook's First Voyage

To receive invitations to these meetings please contact: sciencegroup@hlsi.net



HLSI ONE-TO-ONE INTERVIEWS

"Never enjoyed a Sunday afternoon more!" Join us for another One-to-One interview when one HLSI member interviews another about their life and work.

Sun 19 July 4.00pm Catherine Budgett-Meakin interviews **Martin Adeney**

Please register for a One-to-One Interview by noon, Friday 17 July: www.hlsi.net
For bookings after that time, please email: president@hlsi.net



ONLINE EXHIBITIONS

Artist **Tom Scase** was due to hold an exhibition in Highgate Gallery this summer. He has made a virtual tour of his paintings which he has called **New Horizons Virtual Show** especially for the 2020 Highgate Festival. See it at www.hlsi.net/highgate-gallery. **Remarkable Highgate Women** is a short film by Ruth Corney showcasing an exhibition also planned for HLSI. It celebrates Highgate women aged 80 and over using Ruth's photographs and interviews by Hilary Laurie from HLSI Archives' oral history project. See the film and accompanying interview texts at www.hlsi.net/archive.



EDUCATION

Courses have been run very successfully on Zoom since May. We now have the following lined up for July. For full details: www.hlsi.net/courses.

Mon 6 July 200 Years of Regent's Canal in Islington - a virtual tour
a free taster session, 2.00-3.00pm.
Book this taster session online by 12 noon Friday 3 July

NB for London walkers: We hope to offer a course of real walks in the coming year, but in case this is not possible, we would offer virtual walks, preparing people to do their own walks, staying fairly local.

Tues 7 July The Grand Tour the class is being repeated by popular demand, on Tuesdays 10.00am-12.30pm.

CONTINUING ACTIVITIES

Members' Room Socials These friendly, relaxed and stimulating Social meetings are held each Monday, using Zoom. We split into small groups and discuss a new topic each week. As everyone's name is on the screen, these socials are a fun way to meet other members. Meet old friends and make new! To receive invitations to Socials please email: president@hlsi.net.

Archive Susan Trackman, chair of the Archives committee, is able to do both family and house histories for interested members. She has access to Ancestry, the online Genealogy website, and to many of the HLSI's photos etc. Contact Susan at: susan@threebellshouse.me.uk.

Online Book Group If you enjoy discussing what you are reading, and would like to be part of a new book group, please contact president@hlsi.net.

EASY FUNDRAISING

Easyfundraising is a simple way to assist HLSI by providing additional funding at no extra cost to yourself. Whenever you shop online with over 4000 retailers they give a small percentage of the value of each purchase to your selected cause. Simply register with easyfundraising.org.uk and name HLSI as the cause you wish to support. The link <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/hlsi/?invite=JWV0H1&referral-campaign=c2s>

NB the link functions when this Update is downloaded as a pdf. Alternatively click on the link given in the accompanying email message.

A LITERARY LINKS QUIZ ANSWERS:
1 Daniel Defoe: A Journal of the Plague Year
Albert Camus: The Plague
Gabrielle Garcia Marquez: Love in the time of Cholera **EPIDEMICS**
2 Ray Bradbury: Fahrenheit 451
Joseph Heller: Catch 22 **NUMBERS**
Kurt Vonnegut: Slaughter House 5
3 Alice Walker: The Color Purple
L. M. Montgomery: Anne of Green Gables **COLOURS**
Donna Tart: The Goldfinch
4 Umberto Eco: The Name of the Rose
Henry James: Daisy Miller **FLOWERS**
Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie: Purple Hibiscus
5 Robert Louis Stevenson: The Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde
Dickens: The Mystery of Edwin Drood **MEN'S NAMES**
Oscar Wilde: The Picture of Dorian Grey

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