



Dear Members,

THE WOODLANDS CENTRE Tuesday 16th July

Doors open at **9.40** hrs. The lecture starts promptly at **10.10** hrs.

Miek Bell is intending to step back this year after having devoted some years to the TASA committee. She is going to give a short talk prior to the lecture about the Visits Secretary role and vacancy.

Guests are very welcome at a charge of £7.

After the *September* lecture we will hold a coffee and cake get together for new and prospective members. As a special, we will only charge £4 for guests that day.

There is a **NEW EMERGENCY PROTOCOL** in place at Woodlands. Emergency exits will only be through the entrance doors to the **front door** and the **side doors** adjacent to the fields. In the event of an emergency please gather at the far end of the car park to be confirmed as safely evacuated from the building. Margaret and her team will have the relevant 'alphabet' register to ensure this is done as quickly as possible. Please look for the team member with the correct initial for your name.

BOOKS

We have more books which we need to sell and will again display them at the front of the stage. Donations please.

The large volume books which we had left last month have been donated to the Art Department of the St. Oscar Romero Catholic School. Worthing

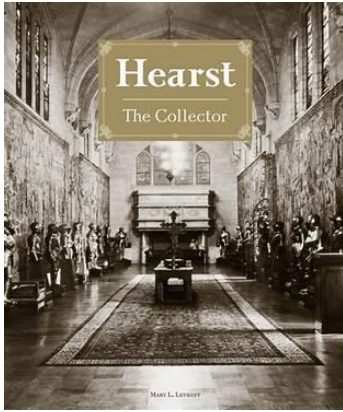
Don't forget the car park now fills very quickly. Parking in the surrounding roads has become necessary for some. We understand that the Iceland car park in Rustington is now free for 3 hours, this may be of help to some of you. Please try to give yourselves enough time to get to the hall. We will endeavour to open the doors as soon as possible so you can have a coffee, buy tickets, look at the noticeboard and chat.

July's Lecture

'Castles' – The Unquenchable Thirst of William Randolph Hearst by our lecturer Mark Meredith.

We will hear of the many castles Hearst owned and his obsession for collecting Objects d'art. After his death it was estimated he had been responsibility for an astounding 25% of the world's art market.

Mark is the founder of HouseHistree.com and he lectures regularly in Europe and the United States. He promises facts laced with humour, bringing to life the stories of people and houses.



RAFFLE. £1 per ticket.

The book this month is 'Hearst- The Collector' by Mary L Levkoff. It is a great book with some beautiful illustrations.

DAY OF SPECIAL INTEREST 2025

A day of special interest is already in the pipeline for 2025. The date for your diaries is Wednesday March 24th. This is earlier in the year than previously and will be an event to look forward to in those last days of winter.

As next year is the 80th anniversary since the end of WW2 the topic chosen is 'Laughter and Loss, British War Artists' and our lecturer will be James Russell.

Keep an eye out for updates.

NOTICEBOARD

The noticeboard has space for members to use to advertise local 'Arts Events' which they know of, or may be involved in, and think may be of interest to other members. Please just bring your flyers and use the board.

VISITS and TICKETS

Upcoming visits

Payment for all trips can be made via bank transfer (booking forms are made available on the website for each trip as tickets go on sale). Cash or card payment is preferred as we are now the proud owners of a card-reading machine. Cheques are still accepted.

Philip Jackson Studio, Monday 24 June 2024

What an amazing artist Philip is. This was the fourth visit we have made over the years to his Studio. The fourth time we have listened to him talking about his work. Admittedly, for most members it was the first time, but I can assure you that he is better each time we hear him and never seems to repeat himself. Thank goodness for chairs, as he explained in a mere 1 hr 40 mins what inspires him (Venice in his young years for instance), how he tries to bring humour and movement into his sculptures, how precision and an eye for detail is required for many of his commissions (e.g. The Bomber Command in Green Park) and how expensive the public unveilings of his work are (wife needs a new hat). Lunch was at the Blue Bell pub and in the afternoon we strolled round his lovely gardens with strategically placed sculptures. (Feedback on the website)

Stratfield Saye House, Wednesday 24 July 2024 - coach trip

This trip is fully booked. Some people dropped out and their tickets have been passed on. There is still a waiting list.

Most of the people who signed up, have ordered food and drink apart from a few. It should not be a problem to get a coffee or tea on the day, even if you have not booked it.

Hammerwood Park, Wednesday 25 September 2024. - Self Drive- £16

Includes a tour of the House, followed by plenty of tea/coffee and cake. More information about the House is on our website.

We start selling tickets for this self-drive visit on Tuesday 16 July.

CHRISTMAS DRINKS and MINCE PIE Tuesday November 19th 2024- tickets sales will begin the September lecture morning.

OTHER SOCIETY EVENTS (details on **TASA website**)

1. The Arts Society Mid Sussex - Coach trip to Goodwood House and Petworth House. Lunch at Well Diggers Arms, Petworth. Wed. 8th August.
2. The Arts Society East Sussex are organising a holiday to Ireland Sept 16-20th. 'Ireland's Wild West'- Connemara, Co. Mayo & Galway.
3. 'Oliver' - The Arts Society East Sussex have some side stall seats available at Chichester Festival Theatre. 2.30pm matinee Tuesday 3rd September.
4. 'The Age of Jazz Summer Lunch'. The Arts Society Mid Sussex day of special interest. Monday 15th July. Lectures and performances.
5. The Arts Society of East Sussex are organising a short break – 'Kew at Christmas'. Including a trip to Chenies Manor and Polesen Lacy.
6. The Arts Society of East Sussex are organising a holiday to The Amalfi Coast and Naples on 1st-5th April 2025.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR VACANCIES FOR TASA COMMITTEE AND ADMINISTRATION- see noticeboard for more details.

TRIP ORGANISER (MAINLY CAOCH TRIPS)

WEBMASTER ROLE

SECRETARY ROLE

VOLUNTEER SECRETARY/SECRETARIES (potentially 2 roles)

Heritage Secretary

Young Arts Secretary

JOB SHARES WOULD BE VERY WELCOME

Kind Regards, Denise