

From: John Critchley

VISITS SECRETARY
THE FRIENDS OF LAMBETH PALACE LIBRARY
14 WILKES STREET
LONDON E1 6QF
(Telephone 020 7247 7006) - (Mobile: 07786 933638)
(E-mail: critchley@dial.pipex.com)

FRIENDS' VISITS PLANNED FOR 2019 and 2020

Amendment dated 7th May 2019

*Please contact the Visits Secretary if you are interested in any or all of these visits.
Please do not make any payments until they are requested by the Visits Secretary.*

Tuesday 14th May 2019
Lichfield Cathedral and City
This visit is fully subscribed

The group will meet at 11:00am in the Cathedral, which has a very interesting library among many notable features, have lunch in the Cathedral Refectory, a talk on Erasmus Darwin's scientific work in the Darwin House and a guided tour of Lichfield taking in Ebenezer Darwin's Herb Garden. We will end at Ashmole's House, next to the museum in Dr Johnson's House, at about 4:45pm. It is regretted that there will not be time to visit Dr Johnson's House which is only open between 10:30am and 4:30pm. Friends may wish to stay overnight and pay a visit the following morning individually.

Tuesday 11th June 2019
A London Book Walk: "Bibliophile St James's"
There are two places available for this walk.

Anthony Davis, a Friend of Lambeth Palace Library, will conduct us on a bookish tour of St James's.

We will start at 11:00am at Burlington House in Piccadilly, W1J 0BD, in the courtyard next to the statue of Sir Joshua Reynolds. (There are loos inside the Royal Academy.) The tour includes the house where Samuel Pepys set his wig on fire, stories of Oscar Wilde's green carnation and Nell Gwyn's oranges, the premises of the first sexologist and what is perhaps the only London square designed by a poet; and is illustrated with some books from some of the buildings we see. We will finish near to Trafalgar Square.

The cost of this visit will be about £20 per head, depending on numbers, and this will include a donation to the Friends of Lambeth Palace Library. Please do not make any payments until they are requested by the Visits Secretary.

Friday 13th September 2019
Audley End House: an exhibition *Souvenirs of Italy: An English Family Abroad*
The absolute maximum number will be 12. There are a few places available.

English Heritage's Audley End House, which is situated near Saffron Walden, just off the M11, is a magnificent Jacobean mansion house with gardens created by 'Capability' Brown. Dunstan Roberts, a Friend of Lambeth Palace Library, is co-curating an exhibition about Continental Tourism, with books, documents and other artefacts relating to the Grand Tour which was undertaken in the 1770s by Richard Neville Neville and his son Richard Aldworth Neville, later 2nd Baron Braybrooke. Dunstan has very kindly arranged with English Heritage to give us a semi-private tour of the exhibition and the opportunity to visit the house and gardens.

The gardens are open from 10:00am and Friends may wish to tour them and have lunch in the tearoom. The formal programme will start at 2:00pm, however, with a tour of the house which will include a thorough look at the exhibition. Dunstan will then talk about putting the exhibition together and the wider research project, and will show us some of the books from the library. Afternoon tea will be available from 4:30pm and the grounds shut at 6:00pm.

The cost of this visit will be about £30 per head which will include all tickets and a donation to the Friends of Lambeth Palace Library. Lunch, tea and transport will be at Friends' own expense. Please note that the best access to the house is by car although the Visits Secretary would be happy to give people a lift from Audley End station.

Tuesday 29th October 2019

Croydon Palace

The absolute maximum size of the group for this visit will be 20 and there are 4 places left.

We will tour this charming and historic old building, a home of the Archbishops of Canterbury for more than five centuries and a regular haunt of monarchs such as King Henry III and Queen Elizabeth I. The buildings are still in use as the Old Palace School, an independent girls' school of the Whitgift Foundation, and we will be visiting during half term. We will also investigate including a visit to the Whitgift Almshouses. Tours of Croydon Palace start at 1:45pm.

The cost of this visit will be about £25 including a donation to the Friends of Lambeth Palace Library.

Monday 18th November 2019, in the morning starting at 10:45am.

The Priory Church of The Order of St John, Clerkenwell

There is already a large waiting list for this visit.

This visit will comprise a conducted tour of the Church and its museum and also a visit to the Parish Clerks' Well (hence Clerkenwell) just behind Farringdon station.

VISITS PROGRAMME FOR 2020

Tuesday 4th February 2020, Stationers' Hall

This afternoon visit will include a tour of the Hall and a visit to the Library and Archive where the Archivist has very kindly agreed to introduce us to some of the treasures.

Monday 20th April 2020, The Libraries of two London Clubs

Kindly hosted by two Friends who are club members, we will visit the Athenaeum Library in the morning and then move to the Reform for a buffet lunch and a tour of their Library.

June 2020, Arundel Castle and its Library

The visit will comprise a tour of the Castle and a visit to the library led by the Archivist John Martin Robinson. The date will be agreed later in the year.

Monday, September 28th 2020, Hereford

We plan to visit Hereford, the Cathedral and its Library and treasures including Mappa Mundi.

November 2020, The British Library

The BL's Exhibition *Elizabeth I and Mary Queen of Scots*, to which LPL is lending items.