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FRIENDS' VISITS PLANNED FOR 2019 and 2020

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*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.*

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 two places available.

English Heritage's beautiful 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. We will then move to the prints and drawings room, away from the other visitors, where Dunstan will 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

This visit is fully booked and there is a small waiting list.

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. If there is sufficient extra demand it may be possible to arrange an additional 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

Monday 24th February 2020 at 2:30pm, Stationers' Hall *[Please note this second change of date requested by the Stationers.]*

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. The tour takes about 75 minutes and is followed by tea or coffee.

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

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 1 and Mary Queen of Scots*, to which LPL is lending items.