



The Arts Society, Devizes

Newsletter January 2020

- **Artfest (With Lecture Day) 19th February 2020**

All art can be included, as per last year. Multiple entries are allowed.

Please bring your work between 9 and 9.45am.

- **Next Study Day** March 2nd Conservative Club Hall, Devizes.

Tim Walker, Botanist, will talk about The History of English Gardens; (From Plainness to High Colour and Style). Three talks by Tim:

1. 10.00am to 11am First lecture - then a coffee/tea break
2. 11.30am to 12.30pm Second lecture - then Lunch provided
3. 2pm to 3pm Questions and home-time.

Be sure to fill out the form available and pay the £30 fee.

- **Visits for your diary in 2020 (forms at our monthly meetings):**

Tuesday April 21st to **Chawton House**.

Form to be filled in with payment by March 21st.

Cost - £42 (includes lunch)

- **New Wessex Area study days (leaflets and forms at our meetings)** Two Day Study Courses at Market Lavington Community Hall 'The Art and Culture of the Aztecs, Mayans and Incas.':
15th and 16th April 2020
-Ancient/Modern Mexico and Peru: The Incas and Their Predecessors. 29th
and 30th April, 2020 **Mayan Dynasties & City States, Arts of the Ancient Maya & The Maya heritage, Past and Present.** To book places or obtain further information you can do so on the Area web site: <http://theartsociety-wessex.org/> or j_m_price@btinternet.com

February's Lecture will be by Alexandra Epps, looking at Peggy Guggenheim, the 'Poor little rich girl', who changed the face of Twentieth Century Art.



Alexandra is an Official Guide and Lecturer at Tate Modern, Tate Britain, Guildhall Art Gallery, Pallant House Gallery, Tutor at the City Literary Institute of Art History and an Author, with a background in design, from a BA from St Martin's School of Art an MA from The London College of Printing and work as a Graphic Designer.

Young Arts In a joint action with schools in the area we have donated funds to enable students from disadvantaged backgrounds to go with the rest of their year on an art field trip.

Christmas Party (second week in December 2019) A very successful event, everyone commented on how much they enjoyed themselves; good company, sweet background music, excellent food, a rousing finale from The Devizes Good Afternoon Choir.

Diary this for the second week December 2020

Five Committee Situations Vacant to save our Devizes Group from Closing!

- 1. Mo Edwards is standing down from her role as Programme Secretary in August after 5 valuable years. We will miss her enthusiasm and the wonderful choices of informative and entertaining speakers engaged for our meetings. Interested members should see Mo (to shadow her/have her initial help).**
 - 2. Mo was also the Trips and Study Day person. If you enjoy choosing, arranging and going to these, you may be our person.**
 - 3. Our Treasure, Mike Page, is also needing someone to shadow his role with a view to taking it on in the future**
 - 4. Ann Poole and Susan Adams, committee members, are also standing down in August.**
- Members who are wanting to continue the excellent work these members have done on the committee, should see/e-mail Kim.**