



The Arts Society, Devizes

Newsletter

JUNE 2023

Dear friends,

We trust you are enjoying the warmth and/or keeping cool, at home or on holiday. Our June lecture, a treat from Charlie Forman, who, as a Londoner, naturally took us through the eight buildings and their faiths with a fatherly hand, exalting in their contributions to culture and art. Full of excellent images of exteriors and superb interiors, Charlie's lecture was equally full of fascinating historical details. Who could forget his flashing location dots.

Remember July's Lecture is after the short AGM (Papers sent out in June). Your input is valued.

+See Our website for more lectures: www.theartsocietydevizes.org

. Heritage Work

Linda and Jenny visited the museum for the first trial run of the Iron Age costumes on students. They were an instant hit and looked superb. Tight necks were fixed after by repositioning the poppers. Thanks, again Linda and Jenny.

. Trails of Discovery

Sue Tovey and her team have met, decided on the areas in St Mary's to focus on and each taken an aspect to work on before centralising the ideas for their next meeting. Good to hear of such excellent progress. Thanks Sue and Team.

. Treasurer's Request: Membership/other payments by free Bank Transfer please.

. Special Interest Days:

November 27th - The Silk Road Cities. Bookable at the July meeting.

March 2024 - The Layers of Rome, Eternal City.

. Annual AGM

As usual, this will briefly preface the lecture on the 19th of July. You all have been sent the papers for this, so any questions to be raised are there for the asking during this time. Also, this is the time that your input, regarding additional ideas for our Society, can be heard and voted on.

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. Next Lecture is on the 19th July

Tyler Butterworth will tell us the remarkable story of his parents, Carry On actor Peter Butterworth and Janet Brown, Britain's first female tv impressionist (remember her exquisite Margaret Thatcher?).

Using classic film and TV clips, with personal mementos, rare photographs and letters, Tyler will reveal the private stories behind his parents unusual lives. Including; the building of a theatre in Stalag Luft III, nights at Chequers, This Is Your Life moments and work for MI9.

Tyler himself has spent 25 years as an actor in film, television, theatre and radio. He now works as a voice actor, records audio books, documentaries and voice-overs. Tyler also produces walking audio guides to cities across Europe.

He lives in Sussex, where he loves walking on the South Downs and South Coast with his wife Jane and their two sons.

At the Town Hall on the 19th July, 10.30am for 11am.

See you there.