

WANDSWORTH HERITAGE FESTIVAL 2016

PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

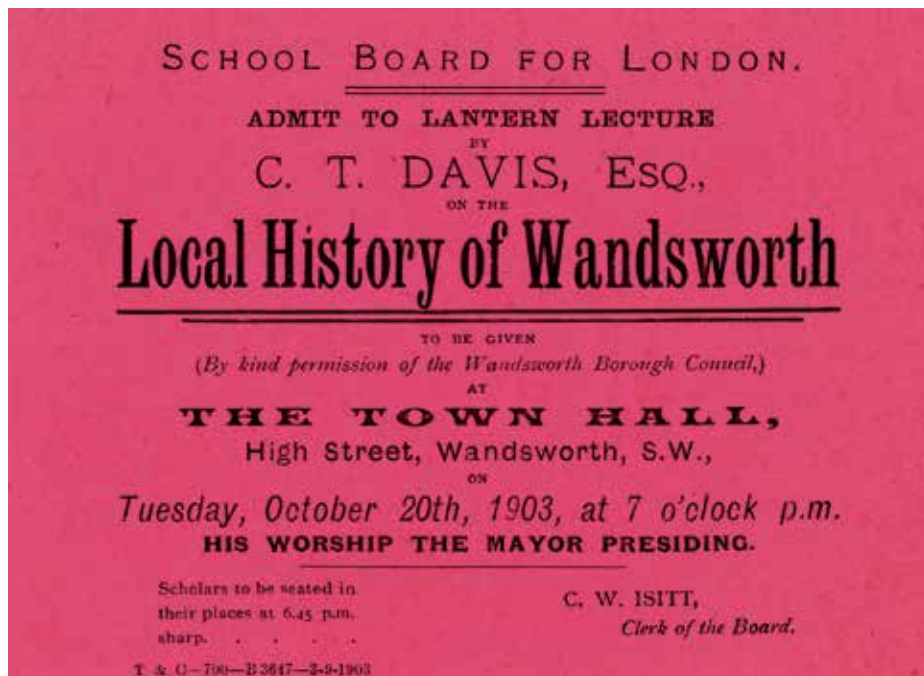
28th May - 12th June



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For access requirements relating to events which do not require advance booking, please contact heritage@gll.org or 020 7223 2334.

28th May – 12th June Exhibition: Double Vision

These images by photographers Sophie Martin-Castex and Brian Sharland show Wandsworth's seasonal urban landscape, local scenes and the diversity of the Borough; reminding us how the past touches the present.

- Putney Library, 5/7 Disraeli Road, Putney SW15 2DR • FREE • During library opening hours



Saturday 28th May – 2pm Walk: Historic Earlsfield

Organised by Summerstown182

Guide Geoff Simmons will reveal the area's connections with WW1, as well as the history associated with the River Wandle, the Henry Prince Estate, Garratt Green, Burntwood Lane and the route of the Surrey Iron Railway.

- Meet at St. Andrew's Church, Waynflete Street, Earlsfield SW18 3QG • £5 • No booking required • For more information contact: rgbsimmons182@gmail.com



Sunday 29th May – 1.30-4.30pm Family drop in session: Archaeology and Local History on Tooting's Doorstep

Organised by Wandsworth Historical Society

Explore the Borough's past with archaeologist Pamela Greenwood. Meet two 'characters' from the Middle Ages and handle real archaeological objects, such as Roman pottery and clay pipes. Try on a Roman soldier's kit and imagine marching through Tooting along Stane Street.

- Tooting Library, 75 Mitcham Road, Tooting SW17 9PD • FREE • No booking required



Sunday 29th May - 2pm & 3pm

Tour: Henry Tate Gardens, Streatham

Organised by the Streatham Society

View Tate's Grade II* listed mansion Park Hill (exterior only) and explore the historic garden with its Grade II listed garden features, including the Pulhamite grotto, Victorian folly, lake and temple.

- Meet at the lodge gates, Henry Tate Mews, Streatham Common North SW16 3HA
- FREE • No booking required



Sunday 29th May – 4-6pm

Workshop: Order of the Poor Servants of the Mother of God

Organised by Spare Tyre

A creative family-friendly workshop exploring the story of the Order of the Poor Servants of the Mother of God, their founder Frances Margaret Taylor and their contribution to the community of Roehampton since 1869.

- Maryfield Convent, Mount Angelus Road, Roehampton SW15 4JA • FREE • No booking required
- For more information contact: victor@sparetyre.org



Monday 30th May - 2pm

Walk: Following the Falcon Brook

Organised by the Balham Society

John Rattray leads this walk along part of the course of the Falcon Brook, one of the lost rivers of London, observing interesting features en route.

- Meet on Balham High Road, opposite Ritherdon Road SW17 7AL • A collection will be taken (proceeds to the Balham Society)
- No booking required



Monday 30th May – 4.30pm

Walk: Great Houses of Roehampton

Organised by Spare Tyre

Discover the stories of the remarkable people who lived in the grand Georgian houses of Roehampton. This guided walk starts at Roehampton House at Queen Mary's Place, moving to Queen Mary's Hospital, and ending at Grove House on the University of Roehampton campus.

- Meet at Queen Mary's Place gate entrance, junction of Vitali Close & Roehampton Lane SW15 5FH
- FREE • No booking required • Duration of tour approx. 2 hrs
- For more information contact: victor@sparetyre.org



Tuesday 31st May – 3pm

& Wednesday 1st June – 7pm

Walk: Heritage Trees of Tooting Common

Organised by Tooting Common Heritage Project in association with Enable Leisure & Culture

The Common is home to many veteran trees and tree avenues which are an important part of its natural heritage. Join this guided walk and learn about their biological, historical and cultural significance.

- Meet by the drinking fountain on the corner of Dr Johnson Avenue / Tooting Bec Road
- FREE • No booking required



31st May – 4th June, 10am–6pm daily

Exhibition: Blueprint for Living

An exhibition to commemorate the 60th anniversary of the Fitzhugh Grove Estate, designed by Sir Leslie Martin, principal architect of the Royal Festival Hall. View archive images from the RIBA Collections alongside contemporary photography by Sharon O'Neill.

- Fitzhugh Grove Estate Clubroom, Fitzhugh Grove, Wandsworth SW18 3SA • FREE • No booking required
- For more information see: www.blueprintforliving.co.uk



Tuesday 31st May – 6.30pm

Talk: Wandsworth in the First World War

Organised in association with Enable Leisure and Culture

Historian and author Paul McCue will speak about his research on the Battersea and Wandsworth Battalions and their experiences in the trenches. Archivist Ruth MacLeod will discuss life in the Borough during the war, as written up in the blog: ww1wandsworth.wordpress.com

- Battersea Library, 265 Lavender Hill, Battersea SW11 1JB • FREE
- Booking essential as places are limited: whf2016ww1.eventbrite.com



Wednesday 1st June – 6pm

Talk: Sheepscales & The Natural Landscape (Town Hall Talks)

Organised by BAC

Historian Dorian Gerhold will look at the rich history of Wandsworth's natural landscapes. Sound artist Dan Scott will examine a recent project **Sheepscales**, which used immersive soundscapes to explore the interface of the built and natural environment with local families.

- Battersea Arts Centre, Lavender Hill SW11 5TN • FREE • Booking essential with option to include heritage supper • Booking: **020 7223 2223** quoting 'Town Hall Talks' or at www.bac.org.uk

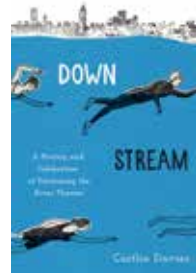


Thursday 2nd June – 6.30pm

Talk: The Lost Art of Thames Swimming

An illustrated talk by Caitlin Davies, based on her critically acclaimed book **Downstream: a history and celebration of swimming the River Thames**. From bathing kings at Battersea to championship races at Putney, learn how swimming the Thames was once the norm.

- Putney Library, 5/7 Disraeli Road, Putney SW15 2DR • FREE • No booking required



Saturday 4th June – 2-5pm

Open Day: London Sewing Machine Museum

This museum charts the history of the sewing machine from 1850 to 1950. Among more than 600 machines on display are the first Singer machine, a unique machine owned by Queen Victoria's eldest daughter, and a patent machine sent from America for the Great Exhibition

- 292-312 Balham High Road SW17 7AA • FREE (donations welcome) • Visitors must be over 16



Saturday 4th June - 2pm

Walk: Multi-faith Tooting

Organised by Tooting History Group

Discover the history of some of the places of worship around Tooting on this walk led by local historian Janet Smith. Step inside Christian churches, a Hindu temple and a Muslim mosque to hear about the central beliefs of each religion.

- Meet outside St Nicholas's Church, Mitcham Road, Tooting SW17 9PP • £6 charge (proceeds to the Tooting History Group) • Duration of walk approx 3 hrs • Booking essential as places are limited: whf2016walk.eventbrite.co.uk or 07437 781 488



Saturday 4th June – 6pm

Screening: Alan Thornhill and the Putney Sculpture Trail

Organised by the Putney Society

Anna Thornhill introduces a screening of the film **Spirit in Mass – Journey into Sculpture** about her father Alan Thornhill, creator of the Putney Sculpture Trail. This event will also launch Alan's monograph **The Search for Authenticity**.

- Putney Library, 5/7 Disraeli Road, Putney SW15 2DR • £3 on the door • No booking required



Sunday 5th June – 9am-12noon

Drop-in session: Scanning the Past @ The Lido

Organised by South London Swimming Club

Do you have any old photographs of Tooting Bec Lido? They could be invaluable as part of a publicly accessible archive of the Lido's history all the way back to 1906. Bring your photos / memorabilia to the Lido and we'll scan them and return them to you.

- Tooting Bec Lido, Tooting Bec Road SW16 1RU • FREE • No booking required



Saturday 4th June – 2-5pm

Exhibition: Grand Hall Plans

Following last year's fire at BAC which severely damaged the Grand Hall, this exhibition will reveal the emerging designs for its rebuilding.

Members of the rebuilding project's team will be available to answer your questions.

- Battersea Arts Centre, Lavender Hill SW11 5TN • FREE • No booking required



Saturday 4th June – 3pm & 4.30pm

Tour: Battersea Arts Centre building

This Grade II* listed Victorian building is currently being redeveloped. Take a first-look tour of the newly revealed spaces in the municipal parts of the former Battersea Town Hall.

- Battersea Arts Centre, Lavender Hill SW11 5TN • FREE • Booking essential as places are limited: 020 7223 2223 or at www.bac.org.uk



Sunday 5th June – 2.30pm

Walk: Famous Furzedown Faces

Organised by the Streatham Society

Green Badge Guide Helen Long will lead a walk around Furzedown and talk about the people (famous and infamous) who have lived here in the past, and the places associated with them.

- Meet outside The Furzedown pub, 118 Mitcham Lane SW16 6NR • FREE (donations welcome) • No booking required



Monday 6th June – 6.30pm

Workshop: House History in Wandsworth

Are you interested in finding out more about the history of your house but don't know how to go about it? Staff from Wandsworth Heritage Service will show what you can discover using records from the Borough's archives.

- Wandsworth Heritage Service Search Room, First Floor, Battersea Library, 265 Lavender Hill SW11 1JB • FREE • Booking essential as places are limited: whf2016house.eventbrite.com



Wednesday 8th June – 6.30pm

Walk: Twixt the Commons

Organised by the Clapham Society

Timothy Walker will lead this popular walk showing how the area 'twixt the commons' developed from the 18th to 21st centuries.

- Meet at Clapham South tube station • FREE
- Please book in advance by email: tehwalker@uwclub.net or www.claphamhistorian.com



Monday 6th June – 8pm

Talk: Fascinating Streatham

Organised by the Streatham Society

An illustrated talk by local historian John W. Brown, revealing the history of some of the intriguing buildings and unusual monuments to be found in Streatham. John's new book **Fascinating Streatham** will be launched at this event.

- Woodlawns Centre, 16 Leigham Court Road, Streatham SW16 2PJ • FREE
- No booking required



Thursday 9th June – 2pm

Tour: Grove House Estate

Organised by Froebel College, University of Roehampton

Within the grounds of the charming Georgian Grove House, purchased by The Froebel Institute in 1921, are delightful follies, a lake, a mausoleum and an ice house, whose stories will be revealed during this walking tour.

- Meet in the main entrance of Grove House, University of Roehampton, Roehampton Lane SW15 5PJ • FREE • No booking required • Duration of tour approx. 90 mins



Tuesday 7th June – 7pm

Talk: Drouet's Pauper Asylum: Child Abuse in 19th Century Tooting

Organised by the Tooting History Group

In 1849 Drouet was charged with manslaughter and stood trial at the Old Bailey after more than 100 children died in an outbreak of cholera at his Pauper Asylum in Tooting. Local historian Janet Smith will discuss this notorious case.

- United Reformed Church, Rookstone Road, Tooting SW17 9NQ • £5 (proceeds to the Tooting History Group) • No booking required



Thursday 9th June – 7 for 7.30pm

Talk: Charlotte Despard

Organised by the Battersea Society

Historian Penny Corfield reassesses the contradictory career of Battersea's amazing woman. Despard was a pioneer suffragette, minimum-wage campaigner, Irish nationalist, pro-Soviet communist and inspiration for Mahatma Gandhi. Why is she not better known?

- St Mary's Parish Church, Battersea Church Road SW11 3NA • £5 • No booking required



Wednesday 8th June – 7.30pm

Walk: Tooting's WW1 History

Organised by Summerstown 182

This guided walk will explore significant locations relating to WWI around Tooting. It focuses on the 182 men named on the war memorial in St. Mary's Church, Summerstown, where the walk will end.

- Meet at St. Mary's Church, Wimbledon Road, Summerstown SW17 0UQ • £5 • No booking required • Contact: rgbsimmons182@gmail.com



Thursday 9th June – 7.45 for 8pm

Talk: Making Records in Earlsfield

Organised by the Wandsworth Society

Using recordings and film, Dr. Tom Going looks back to the early 20th century when Columbia Graphophone, one of Britain's first record companies, became a major employer in the local area.

- West Side Church, Melody Road, SW18 2QQ • FREE • No booking required



Saturday 11th June – 10am

Tour: Emanuel School

Organised by Emanuel School Archives

This tour of the school buildings, interiors and grounds will whisk you back to the days of the boarding school and orphanage. The School Archive will also be open, featuring an exhibition about the school during wartime.

- Meet in Emanuel School Library (beyond the School Reception) Battersea Rise SW11 1HS
- Duration of tour approx. 75 mins • FREE
- No booking required • For more information contact: trj@emanuel.org.uk



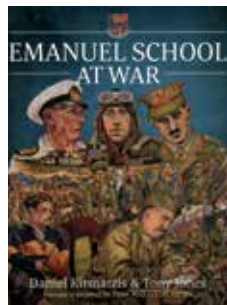
Saturday 11th June – 12noon

Talk: Researching Emanuel School at War

Organised by Emanuel School Archives

This presentation will explore some of the stories of the 1700 'Old Emanuels' who fought in the First and Second World Wars. A five year research project into their lives led to the publication of **Emanuel School at War**.

- Emanuel School Library (beyond the School Reception) Battersea Rise SW11 1HS • FREE • No booking required • For more information contact: trj@emanuel.org.uk



Saturday 11th June – 2pm

Walk: Battersea Park

Organised by Friends of Battersea Park and the Battersea Society

Councillor Rex Osborn will lead you round the Park, opened in 1858. He will set the historical context as you visit some of the Park's most interesting features.

- Meet at the Albert Gate car park, Albert Bridge Road SW11 4PJ • Duration of walk approx. 2 hrs • £5 (proceeds to Friends of Battersea Park and the Battersea Society) • No booking required



Saturday 11th June – 3pm

Walk: Putney Sculpture Trail

Organised by the Putney Society

John Horrocks will lead this guided walk along the Putney Sculpture Trail, featuring nine Alan Thornhill sculptures. Running from Leaders Gardens to Prospect Quay, it takes in Putney's riverside.

- Meet at the sculpture in Leaders Gardens, Putney Embankment. • FREE • No booking required



Sunday 12th June – 2.30pm

Rehearsed reading: Roehampton Women

Organised by Spare Tyre

Listen to a collection of dramatized stories of the nuns, nurses, inventors and dancers who have lived in Roehampton. Learn how these women made a difference to their community.

- Maryfield Convent, Mount Angelus Road, Roehampton SW15 4JA • FREE • No booking required • Duration of reading approx. 90 mins
- For more information contact: victor@sparetyre.org



Sunday 12th June – 11am

Walk: Historic Battersea

Councillor Tony Belton will lead this informal walk from The Latchmere to Battersea Arts Centre, looking at different housing styles and exploring local historic events and individuals.

- Meet outside The Latchmere pub, corner of Latchmere Rd/Battersea Park Rd
- £10 • Please book in advance: tonybelton@btconnect.com or 020 7223 1736



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If any catch your eye, you can purchase a photographic print online:

www.boroughphotos.org/wandsworth



GREEN PLAQUES

Wandsworth Borough's commemorative Green Plaques are mounted at sites of local historical importance or at the residences of notable past residents.

For more information visit Wandsworth Council's website: www.wandsworth.gov.uk/heritage

Further suggestions for Green Plaques are welcome and will be considered by the panel.

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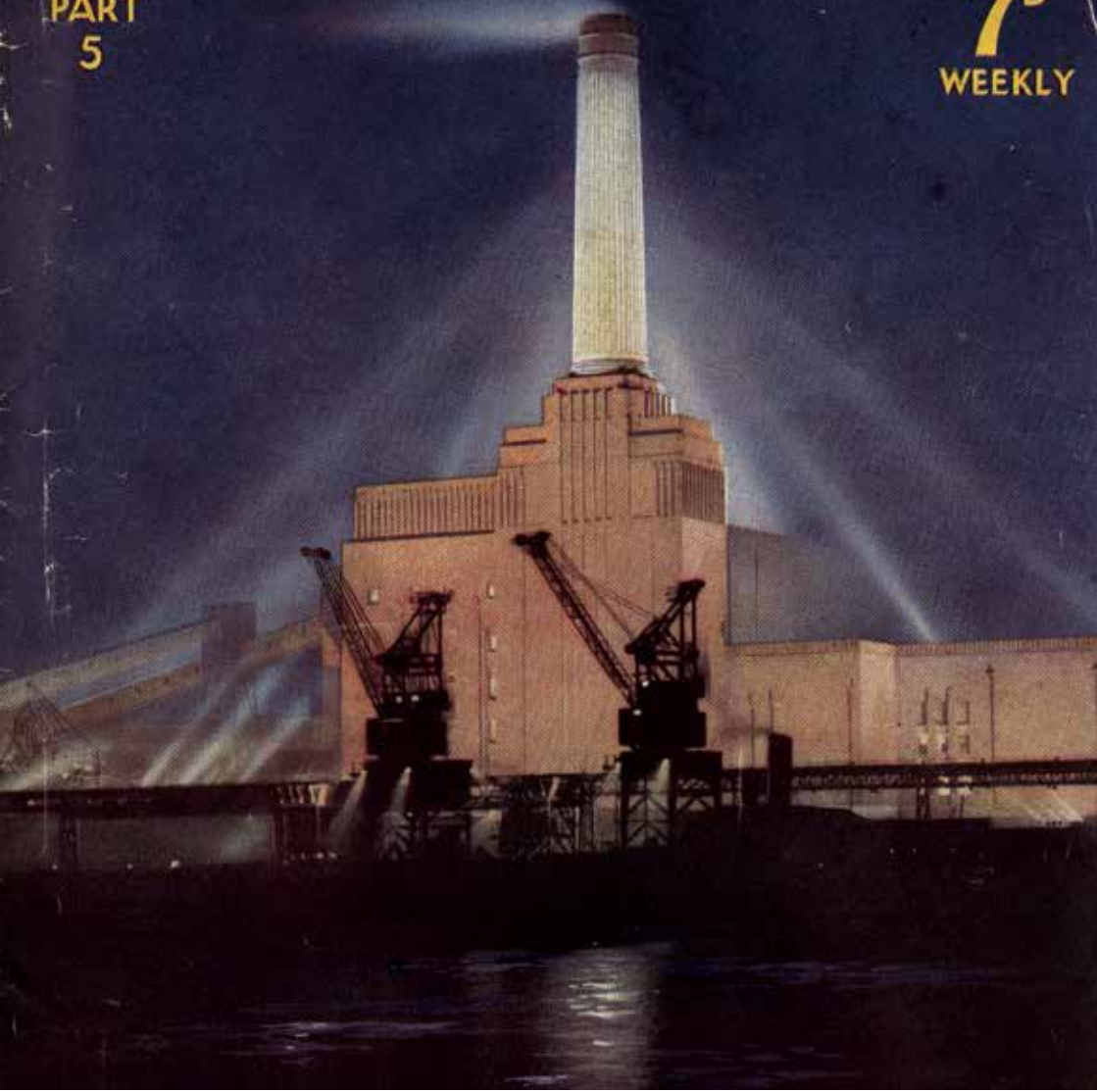


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