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Madingley Hall Garden © Hannah Jackson

ONLINE OPEN CAMBRIDGE

Fri 11 Sep –
Sun 13 Sep 2020

Welcome to *Online* Open Cambridge 2020



LIVE EVENTS

These events will be broadcast with a live Q&A with the speaker at the time stated and then subsequently will be available to watch in your own time.

BUILDING STONE OF KING'S COLLEGE CHAPEL AND RELEVANT MEDIEVAL CAMBRIDGE

Dr Nigel Woodcock, Department of Earth Sciences, gives a virtual tour of Cambridge contrasting the typical building stones of its surviving medieval buildings with the extraordinary geology of King's College Chapel.

2PM – 3PM Including a live Q&A

→ **FRI 11 SEPT**

Register your interest on our website for joining details

- Live Stream
- Available on Demand
- Talk
- Virtual Tour



King's Meadow © Sir Cam

NATURE TAMED? THE FENLAND LANDSCAPE SINCE 1600

In partnership with Anglia Ruskin University

Tony Kirby, Cambridgeshire Association for Local History, explores how successive generations have approached the problems of Fen Drainage. Tony looks at how their solutions have shaped the landscape and how nature has had a habit of getting its own back on their aspirations.

11AM - NOON Including a live Q&A

→ **SAT 12 SEPT**

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PLANTS ALIVE: EXPLORE AND EXPERIMENT!

Researchers at the Sainsbury Laboratory invite you for a virtual behind the scenes look into parts of the laboratory not normally accessible to visitors. See some of their high tech equipment in action and take part in a microscope investigation exploring plant life in a way you may not have done before.

2PM – 3PM
4PM – 5PM

→ **SAT 12 SEPT**

- Pre-book
- Live stream only
- Virtual Tour
- Workshop



Cambridge Central Mosque © Sir Cam

CAMBRIDGE CENTRAL MOSQUE: EXPLORING EUROPE'S FIRST ECO-MOSQUE

Join Cambridge Central Mosque online and discover the first Eco-Mosque in Europe. Find out how its design evolved in the hands of the architects behind the London Eye and how a place of worship with capacity for one thousand people still aims to be carbon-neutral.

4PM – 4.30PM
4.30PM – 5PM

→ **SAT 12 SEPT**

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CAMBRIDGE'S GOLDEN SPORTING AGE: A TRADITION UNSHARED?

Out of Cambridge in the mid 19th century came the modern-day laws of football, the Marquess of Queensberry Rules for boxing, one of the best cricket teams in the country, and innovations in a range of other sports. Whilst its sporting achievements continued well into the 20th century, Nigel Fenner, Cambridge Sport Tours, discusses what reduced the potential for an even greater impact.

6PM – 7.30PM
Including a live Q&A
→ SAT 12 SEPT

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- Talk
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AVAILABLE THROUGHOUT THE WEEKEND

9AM FRI 11 SEPT – 6PM SUNDAY 13 SEPT

BEHIND THE SCENES AT BBC RADIO CAMBRIDGESHIRE

BBC Radio Cambridgeshire's breakfast presenter, Dotty McLeod, takes viewers on a tour of her studio - where she's talking, engaging and responding to the listeners across the county - join in on 96FM.

- Available on Demand
- Virtual Tour

BEHIND-THE-SCENES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE LIBRARY STORAGE FACILITY

Explore a state of the art book store, standing the height of two giraffes, with over 105km of shelving and housing four million books from the libraries of the University of Cambridge.

- Available on Demand
- Virtual Tour

CAMBRIDGE COMMUNITY GARDENING IN LOCKDOWN AND BEYOND

Supported by Cambridge University Botantic Garden

Cambridge Community Growing Group presents a window into the varied and beautiful community gardens of Cambridge and shows how lockdown has inspired communities to grow stronger through gardening.

- Available on Demand
- Film

CLARE HALL GARDENS TOUR

Join us for a virtual tour of the Clare Hall gardens, with aerial drone video footage and explanations of the garden features with David Smith, Head Gardener.

- Available on Demand
- Virtual Tour



EXPLORE THE MADINGLEY HALL GARDEN

The glorious gardens that surround Madingley Hall reflect centuries of change. Join Richard Gant and the garden team for an online tour as they introduce different aspects of this historic garden.

- Available on Demand
- Film



EXPLORING QUEENS' OLD LIBRARY
Push open the virtual doors of Queens' Old Library and follow its librarians into the medieval past as they reveal a world of hidden treasures and long-forgotten readers.

- Available on Demand
- Virtual Tour

HIDDEN STORIES BEHIND THE LABELS
Showcasing some of the less known and sometimes sidelined stories behind items in our collection at the Scott Polar Research Institute. Join us for pop-up talks with Museum, Archive and Library experts.

- Available on Demand
- Film

HUNGARIAN GOULASH FROM THE CLARE HALL KITCHEN
Clare Hall Head Chef Cirill Patrovits brings you the delight of a Hungarian goulash, complete with commentary on its history. This film includes everything you need to know to make your own version of this traditional dish.

- Available on Demand
- Workshop

NEW LIGHT ON CAMBRIDGE'S INDUSTRIAL HISTORY
Volunteers from the Cambridge Museum of Technology explore the history of one of Cambridge's largest industrial sites, the gas works. Previously unpublished photographs from the museum's own archive and local collections capture the time-lapse transformation of the skyline from the 19th to 21st centuries.

- Available on Demand
- Talk

OPEN PROCTORS' TEA
Nominated by pairs of Colleges on a rota, the Cambridge Proctors serve three years part-time instead of one year full-time as in Oxford. At Cambridge they are independent scrutineers of University business, keep order and defend lawful free speech at events. They play a major part in ceremonial events, attend committees and engage with registered clubs and societies, but have lost much of their former concern with student discipline. Every October 1st they change; for the first time both the incoming Senior and Junior Proctors are women and, with two colleagues, they talk about this historic role.

- Available on Demand
- Film

ROYAL VIEWS OF CAMBRIDGE
A 30 minute film featuring the fascinating history and heritage of Great St Mary's the University Church, and of Cambridge over some 800 years.

- Available on Demand
- Film

Mill Road History Society Presents:

DONKEY COMMON
Donkey Common originated as part of the Common Pasture, and was used during the war as an Auxiliary Territorial Service encampment and repurposed as emergency housing in the 1950s. After a long battle to build a swimming pool in the city (twice!), it is now home to Parkside Pools.

- Available on Demand
- Virtual Tour

COVENT GARDEN
Covent Garden is the oldest side street off Mill Road. Formerly home to a nursery garden and sausage factory, it is still home to the Six Bells pub, there since at least 1838, and now also the ARU Drama Studio.

- Available on Demand
- Virtual Tour

44A: THE PLAYHOUSE
When opened in 1913, 44A Mill Road was the first purpose-built cinema in Cambridge. After a decline in cinema going, it became a supermarket, before turning into Sally Ann's charity shop in 1985. Now vacant, its future is unknown.

- Available on Demand
- Virtual Tour



The lady in the hat on Mill Road © MRHS Cambridge Collection

THE CEMETERY
This nine-acre cemetary was laid out in 1848 when all the city churchyards were full. Now a green lung in the most densely populated area of Cambridge, Mill Road Cemetery comprises significant monuments, recent works of arts and fascinating stories of the people who are buried here.

- Available on Demand
- Virtual Tour

THE BATH HOUSE
Situated on the corner of Gwydir Street and Mill Road, the Bath House was, for many years the only place to get clean for the residents of Petersfield. Now it is home to the Lifecraft charity and a meeting place for local community groups.

- Available on Demand
- Virtual Tour

175 MILL ROAD
175 Mill Road was built originally as a corn merchants and bakery. It has changed hands several times but raw food in the form of grains or fruit and vegetables has been a continuous theme for at least one half of the building. Hear also about the celebrity visitor who opened the carpet shop.

- Available on Demand
- Virtual Tour

AN INTRODUCTION TO STURTON TOWN IN VICTORIAN TIMES
In collaboration with Mill Road History Society
Helen Weinstein, IronWorks Community History project, tells the story of Sturton Town. Once a well-known area linking East Road to Mill Road, it not only served the railway but was also a thriving neighbourhood of businesses and shops in Victorian times.

- Available on Demand
- Virtual Tour

SCENT FROM NATURE: BEAUTY'S BOTANICAL ORIGINS

Presented by the Fitzwilliam Museum

Join Hettie Ward, Assistant Keeper, Paintings, Drawings and Prints, at the Fitzwilliam Museum as she shares some of the stories and histories behind the rose and how its scent and medicinal properties have been used for thousands of years.

- Available on Demand
- Film

HOW TO MAKE POT POURRI

Presented by the Fitzwilliam Museum

Inspired by paintings of roses in the Ftzwilliam Museum collection, make your own pot-pourri using our step-by-step tutorial.

- Available on Demand
- Downloadable content

THE LAWRENCE ROOM AT GIRTON COLLEGE

Dr Dorothy Thompson, Fellow of Girton College, introduces the Lawrence Room Museum, focusing on Hermione, our first-century Hellenistic Egyptian portrait Mummy.

- Available on Demand
- Film

TREASURES OF THE MUSEUM OF ZOOLOGY

From dodos to Darwin, join Museum Manager Jack Ashby as he takes you on a video-tour of the Museum of Zoology. Discover some of the highlights of the collection from the comfort of your own home.

- Available on Demand
- Virtual Tour

UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE SPORT PRESENTS...

SPORT SHOWREEL

A short video of sport at the University of Cambridge.

PILATES

A 30 minute pilates session with Daniel Cossette from the University of Cambridge Sports Centre, ideal for completing at home.

VIRTUAL TOUR

A look around the sports facilities available at the University of Cambridge!

- Available on Demand
- Virtual Tour

VIRTUAL TOUR OF THE WHIPPLE MUSEUM

The Whipple Museum's collection includes scientific instruments, apparatus, models, pictures, prints, photographs, books and other material related to the history of science. Find out about our collections with Museum staff in this online tour.

- Available on Demand
- Virtual Tour

THE WHITE HORSE INN IN CASTLE STREET

Presented by the Museum Of Cambridge

From a murder enquiry to the house of a notorious curator and secret holes hiding unusual treasures, the current building of the Museum of Cambridge has more to tell than what meets the eye.

- Available on Demand
- Film

WAIFS AND STRAYS

Presented by the Museum Of Cambridge

Who were the waifs and strays of Cambridge? What can we find out from a little wooden box for collecting money that we keep at the Museum of Cambridge?

- Available on Demand
- Film



The University of Cambridge Sports Centre is open to everyone. We welcome many different members from those who are new to exercise, all the way through to Olympic athletes, such as Louis Rolfe, a Team GB Paralympic Cyclist Gold Medal Winner.

Our facilities are world class and include a state of the art fitness studio and a dedicated strength and conditioning room.

We offer our members more than just a gym which is why membership includes badminton, squash and fives court hire as well as fitness classes and use of the athletics track at Wilberforce Road Sports Ground.

With dedicated staff on hand to support and guide you through whatever activity you choose, you can be assured that the experience you receive will be the best it can be.

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