

Members Events Programme October 2019 - April 2020

NOVEMBER

Thursday 14th

This is Winter – Photographs from Manx Press Pictures Archive from the 1950's, 1960's & 1970's

Join Katie King for a guided tour of the new exhibition. This Is Winter celebrates life on the Island during the long winter months. From sink holes appearing in a Douglas street to snowstorms, Christmas turkeys, drinks parties and pantomimes.

Time: 11am Venue: House of Manannan Max 25 FREE

Saturday 23rd

Christmas Handbells with Kiaullaneyn Noo Carnane (St Germans Handbells)

Can you count to 3 or 4 and laugh at yourself?

An afternoon learning the basics of ringing handbells and using belleplates.

Hopefully by the end of the session everyone will be able to play Carols or Christmas music in a band. You do not need to be musical or read music!

Refreshments provided.

Time: 2pm Venue: House of Manannan Max 16 £3pp

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JANUARY

Thursday 16th

William Hoggatt: Capturing the Light and Shadow.

Talk and exhibition tour with Yvonne Cresswell, MNH Curator Social History.

This is the second exhibition tour as the first one was oversubscribed!

Time: 11am Venue: Manx Museum Temporary Gallery Max 25 FREE

Monday 27th

'How to love bugs: invertebrates in the Isle of Man and their conservation'.

An Illustrated talk by Kate Hawkins – former MNH curator Natural History.

Kate will explore the alarming decline of insects only recently detected in Europe and the implications for other animals and plants for all of us. Kate will give examples of species found in the Isle of Man and investigate some aspects of their ecology and importance for wildlife communities. Also touching on recent initiatives to encourage more involvement in invertebrate identification and recording by MNH, DEFA Manx Wildlife Trust and the Manx Biological Recording Partnership.

Time: 11am

Venue: SR1 Manx Museum

Max 50

FREE

FEBRUARY

Saturday 29th

The Natural Beauty of Wood by Gavin Carter

Well known wood sculptor Gavin Carter will explain his personal creative work with wood and his love of the material, which has stemmed from a lifelong connection with the natural world. His work is not over laboured through deep thought or meaning but rather seems to centre around an enjoyment of the material itself. Gavin has an innate skill in bringing out the natural beauty of all wood. Gavin will explain how to appreciate the material for what it is and even let you have a hands on go at creating!

Refreshments provided.

Time: 2pm

Venue: The House of Manannan

Max 30

£3pp

MARCH

Thursday 12th

A Time of Change – Allison Fox, MNH Curator Field Archaeology

A closer look at the Isle of Man in the Bronze Age. What can artefacts tell us about Manx society four thousand years ago?

Time: 11am

Venue: SR1 Manx Museum

Max 50

FREE

Monday 16th

Creating An Imaginary World: Theatre Design From Temple To Playhouse, Into The Picture Frame And Out Again

Joint lecture with The Arts Society Isle of Man

Theatrical scene design is one of the world's most beautiful, varied and lively art forms. In his talk, Bertie Pearce looks at the relationship between actor and audience and how this transformed the space and architecture of theatre throughout the ages. Beginning with the Greeks and their remarkable innovations to pageants, masques, liturgical drama, through the science of perspective, to court theatre. A quick glance at Commedia dell'arte before entering the Elizabethan stage of the Globe and the Fortune and arriving at the Theatre Royal in Drury Lane. From great architects such as Inigo Jones and Frank Matcham, to practitioners such as Granville Barker and Gordon Craig and designers Cecil Beaton and Oliver Messel, Bertie brings to life the magical world of theatre. Bertie has a BA (Hons) in Drama from Manchester University, and a Diploma Internationale from the École Internationale du Théâtre, Jacques Lecoq. He is a member of the Inner Magic Circle, with Gold Star. Past experience includes lecturing and performing on cruise ships, and to U3A, historical societies, festivals, schools and colleges. In addition, he has toured the world with a magic cabaret show and a one man show entitled All Aboard. Has written articles for newspapers and magazines on entertainment and theatre. **Welcome drink from 6.30pm**

Time: 7pm Venue: Manx Museum Lecture Theatre Max 90 £10pp

Friday 27th

Murder Mystery Dinner - 'A Question of Murder'

The Suspect Players are delighted to present the premiere of the latest FMNH 'whodunit'. (No acting / active participation required). Bring your own wine.

Time: 7pm Venue: Ballasalla Village Hall Max 70 £20pp

APRIL

Thursday 2nd

From Stranding to Skeleton – Laura McCoy, MNH Curator: Natural History

How a stranding of the first ever Striped Dolphin on the Isle of Man has been prepared to be a mounted skeleton on display in the Manx Museum.

Time: 11am Venue: SR1 Manx Museum Max 50 FREE