

GIRTON COLLEGE ROLL OF ALUMNI WEEKEND 2018

PROGRAMME

Saturday 22nd – Sunday 23rd September

SATURDAY EVENTS:

11.00am - Annual Library Talk in Old Kitchens by **Dr Suzanne Reynolds, Assistant Keeper at The Fitzwilliam Museum, Cambridge.** All welcome.



Suzanne Reynolds is Assistant Keeper of Manuscripts and Printed Books at the Fitzwilliam Museum. After a Cambridge BA and a PhD from the Warburg Institute, London, she taught medieval literature and manuscript studies in the universities of Cambridge and Birmingham. From 1998 to 2014, she was Curator of Manuscripts at Holkham Hall and in 2015 published the first catalogue of the Holkham manuscripts, one of the finest private collections in the world. She is Co-Director (with Dr Stella Panayotova) of the Cambridge Illuminations research project at the Fitzwilliam, and has published catalogues of illuminated Italian manuscripts (2011) and early printed books (2017) in the Museum and Cambridge College collections.

12.00 -13.30pm - Lunch will be available with a cash till in the cafeteria in the main Hall. For catering purposes please register your interest on the booking form, or via email alumni@girton.cam.ac.uk.

12.00 -14.00pm - Roll of Alumni Committee Meeting.

14.00pm - Annual Lawrence Room Talk in Old Kitchens by **Nicholas Burnett, Chief Executive and Chief Conservator at the Museum Conservation Services.** All welcome.

This year's guest speaker will be Mr Nicholas Burnett, Chief Executive and Chief Conservator at the Museum Conservation Services. Nicholas trained in paper conservation at Camberwell School of Art before working for three and a half years at the British Museum in the Western Pictorial Art conservation studio. This was followed by nine years working for the South Eastern Museum Service based in the Fitzwilliam Museum. In 1995 the studio was privatised and moved to premises within the Imperial War Museum Duxford. More details about the talk will follow soon.

15.30pm - Tea and Coffee will be served in Old Hall.

16.00pm - Annual People's Portraits Event with **Professor Dame Gillian Beer, DBE, FBA** in the Fellows' Rooms. All welcome.



During her talk 'Sitting for a Portrait', Dame Gillian will look at the process from the sitter's point of view with comments from different writers. Professor Dame Gillian Beer was a Fellow at Girton for 29 years 1965-1994 and is now an Honorary Fellow at the College. She was the King Edward VII Professor of English Literature 1994-2002 and President of Clare Hall 1994-2001. She is a Fellow of the British Academy and of the Royal Society of Literature and holds Honorary Doctorates from eleven universities. Among her books are **Darwin's Plots** (1983, third edition 2009) and **Alice in Space** (2016), which was awarded the 2017 Truman Capote Prize. This year's reception will mark the donation to the exhibition of *Portrait of Libby Sheldon* by Emma Wesley RP.

18.00pm – Concert in the Stanley Library. A piano performance by Music Tripos finalist and talented pianist **Marianne Schönle** (Girton 2014). Admission is free, there will be a retiring collection. All welcome.



Marianne Schönle began playing the piano at the age of three. She read Music at Girton College, Cambridge, graduating in 2017 with a double starred first, and has spent the past year studying solo piano performance with Caroline Palmer at the Guildhall School of Music and Drama. She has performed in various venues including Wigmore Hall, St Martin-in-the-Fields, West Road Concert Hall, Kings Place, Milton Court, Perth Concert Hall, and many of the Cambridge colleges. She has also played in masterclasses with Thomas Adès, Peter Donohoe, Barry Douglas, Stephen Kovacevich, and Joanna McGregor. Marianne has been awarded several music prizes, including the Girton College Music Scholarship and the London Girton Association Music Award. She has a particular passion for ensemble playing and was a grateful recipient of the University Instrumental Award throughout her studies at Cambridge, which allowed her piano trio, the Aether Trio, to receive regular coaching. She also enjoys collaborating with singers, and was delighted to receive the Accompanist Prize at the Clare College Song Competition in March 2017. Marianne was a Secretary of the Girton College Music Society in 2016. She is grateful for this opportunity to return to Girton and is delighted to be back.

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Muzio Clementi – Sonata in F sharp minor, Op. 25 No. 5
Karol Szymanowski – Métopes, Op. 29

- i. L'île des Sirènes
- ii. Calypso
- iii. Nausicaa

Sergei Rachmaninov – Variations on a Theme of Corelli, Op. 42

19.00pm - Roll of Alumni Annual Dinner for all alumni including reunion tables for those who came up in 1958, 1968, 1978, 1983, 1984 and 1985. Drinks reception followed by dinner in the main Hall.

SUNDAY EVENTS:

10.30am - Annual Gardens Talk in the Stanley Library by **Dr Sam Brockington, Curator at the Cambridge University Botanic Garden**. All welcome.

Join Dr Sam Brockington, Curator of the Cambridge University Botanic Garden, to hear more about the Garden's fascinating collection of over 8000 species of plants. More details about the talk will follow soon.

12.00 noon - 1958 Buffet Lunch in the Fellows' Rooms for alumnae who came up in 1958 hosted by **Dr Dorothy Thompson (Walbank, 1958)**.

BOOKINGS:

Bookings for the Roll of Alumni Weekend and Dinner can be made through the online form available on our website - <https://forms.girton.cam.ac.uk/roll-of-alumni-weekend-and-dinner-2018> or by phone on +44(0)1223 764935.

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