

# Lambeth Heritage Festival, September 2016

A month long festival led by Lambeth Archives  
and the Lambeth Local History Forum



## We are delighted to have Lambeth Palace Library as the main partner for this year's Heritage Festival



**Lambeth Palace Library is the historic library and record office of the Archbishops of Canterbury and the principal repository of the documentary history of the Church of England. Its collections have been freely available for research since 1610.**

The records, manuscripts, rare books, and archives held here date from the ninth century to the present day. Their broad scope reflects the office of Archbishop as head of the Province of Canterbury, his national and international roles in leading the Church of England and the Anglican Communion worldwide, and the wealth and power of Archbishops in past centuries which enabled them to collect books and manuscripts of the highest quality and significance.

The Library Reading Room is open from 10am to 5pm on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays and from 10am to 7.30pm on Thursdays.

Access to the Library's collections is freely available to readers and appointments are not necessary. However, on their first visit users must obtain a library ticket and bring proofs of identity and current address to do this. Please see our website for further details.

The entrance to the library is through the door set into the wall on Lambeth Palace Road.

The Friends of Lambeth Palace Library are active supporters of the Library, helping it to continue to acquire rare books and manuscripts and to catalogue and conserve its collections.

The Friends enjoy a programme of special events throughout the year, and are always seeking new members.

Please join the Friends of Lambeth Palace Library: [www.lambethpalacelibrary.org/content/friends](http://www.lambethpalacelibrary.org/content/friends)

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## Foreword

This year, Lambeth's fourth Heritage Festival is taking place throughout the month of September and we are delighted to invite you to take part in our programme of events. One of the things that the festival does is to open up the history of Lambeth's people and places for local residents. Preserving our heritage and using it to help connect local people with the opportunities and challenges in Lambeth today is something we are both passionate about.

We are really excited that Lambeth Archives has once again worked with the Lambeth Local History Forum to put together such a rich and innovative programme of events. This year there are talks, films, music, theatre, exhibitions, walks and workshops covering a whole spread of interests and just about every geographical perspective: everything from the Dangerous Women of South London to the Radical Politics of Clapham with tours of Brixton Fire station, Tooting Common, Vauxhall Gardens and walks along the course of the River Effra to boot. Lambeth Palace is once again participating in the festival and hosting the free joint exhibition *Lambeth and its Palace*, showcasing the art collections of Lambeth Archives and Lambeth Palace Library and allowing visitors the fantastic opportunity to visit its 17th century Great Hall.

One of this year's themes is Lambeth's architecture with some big-name speakers including Julia Barfield, the

designer of the London Eye, Edmund Bird on the 'lost architecture of Lambeth' as well as talks on recent regeneration schemes in Brixton and Streatham. Local music is another feature – with traditional jazz on Clapham common and a talk on the history of black music at Black Cultural Archives in Brixton.

2016 is the centenary of the battle of the Somme, the bicentenary of Brixton Windmill and the 400th anniversary of the death of Shakespeare. There are local talks, tours and activities in the programme to commemorate each of these events.

This year's festival is big, with over 60 events to choose from. We would like to welcome all new participants this year including the South London Botanical Institute, Art4Space and the Stockwell Village Association. Once again, the Lambeth Heritage Festival showcases the best of Lambeth, and we both look forward to celebrating our borough with you.



**Councillor  
Jack Hopkins**

Cabinet member for  
Regeneration, Business  
and Culture



**Councillor  
Sonia Winifred**

Special Project Lead,  
Archives

# Brixton Windmill

Blenheim Gardens, London, SW2 5EU

2016 marks the bicentenary of Brixton Windmill. Built in 1816 this Grade II\* tower mill was working for 118 years with the same family of millers producing and selling flour from their mill yard off Brixton Hill.

The first miller was John Ashby, but in 1862 it was decided that the expansion of London meant there was not enough wind to continue to grind flour. The family moved flour production to watermills at Mitcham and removed Brixton windmill's sails. They removed the windmill's sails but still lived and ran their business from Brixton Hill.

In 1902 Joshua John Ashby, grandson of the first Brixton miller, returned flour production to Brixton, purchasing a new iron-clad mill driven by steam and later by gas. This modular mill was installed inside the tower mill. The family continued to produce fine stoneground flour up to 1934.

In 1957 London County Council bought the site and work started on laying out Windmill Gardens park. Later restoration work was started on the windmill, which was opened to the public at Easter 1968.

Over the next 40 years the building suffered both neglect and disrepair. The most recent restoration in 2010-11 was funded by a grant from the Heritage Lottery Fund, Lambeth Council, and the Friends of Windmill Gardens (FoWG). Since then FoWG open the windmill to the public and provide guided tours. This year they have begun milling and selling flour again at Brixton Windmill.



Windmill in Spring



2016: new sails by Eley Kishimoto



Painted by 'H.L.R.', 1965



The restoration of the windmill

## WALK Brixton Hill Heritage Walks

Saturday 10 and Sunday 11 September  
1pm

Led by a London Blue Badge tour guide. See some of the area's oldest surviving houses, glimpse the Brixton Waterworks Company's 1834 reservoir and discover some surprising celebrity prisoners.

**Charge of £5 adult, £3 concessions, and children free – all money goes to support Brixton Windmill's maintenance.**

## TOURS Free guided tours of Brixton Windmill

Each tour lasts 20 minutes

Saturday 10 September  
2pm-5pm last tour 4.40pm

Sunday 11 September  
2pm-5pm, last tour 4.40pm

Saturday 17 September  
1pm-5pm, last tour 4.40pm

Sunday 18 September  
1pm-5pm, last tour 4.40pm

**No booking required but you may have to queue.**

## TALK Brixton Windmill Lecture: Windpower in Lambeth

Wednesday 28 September  
Corpus Christi Church Hall,  
11 Trent Road, SW2 5BJ  
7pm

Simon Hudson (SPAB Mills section 2003-11) will speak about the significance and history of windmills in Lambeth, with a particular focus on the 200 year history of Brixton Windmill and its flour production by the Ashby family, the millers between 1816 and 1934.

**TOUR** **Living memories of the Somme**

Sunday 4 September  
Meet inside the main gates of West Norwood Cemetery, Norwood Rd, SE27 9JU  
3pm-5pm

Encounter true stories of Norwood's war dead from the Battle of the Somme alongside short readings from poets and writers of the Western Front and beyond, followed by a reception at the Greek Chapel. Curated by PoetrySlabs and the Friends of West Norwood Cemetery with the Commonwealth War Graves Commission.

**WORKSHOP** **Tracing your First World War Military Ancestors**

Tuesday 6 September  
Tate South Lambeth Library,  
180 South Lambeth Rd, SW8 1QP  
12pm-2pm

Join Lambeth Archives and Black Cultural Archives staff for a free introductory workshop exploring the online sources available to those wanting to trace their First World War military ancestors. It is recommended that participants are familiar with computers and the internet.

**Booking is essential as places are limited, to reserve your place please e-mail [archives@lambeth.gov.uk](mailto:archives@lambeth.gov.uk) or phone 020 7926 6076.**

**Lambeth Archives Open Day**

Saturday 3 September  
10am-5pm  
The open day will feature two talks commemorating the centenary of the Somme

**TALK** **Lambeth in World War I: September 1915-September 1916**

10.15-11.30am  
Len Reilly

**TALK** **The Lambeth Dead of the Somme**

3pm-3.45pm  
Jon Newman

**See pages 27-8 for more information about the open day.**

**EVENT** **Southbank Mosaics: First Surrey Rifles**

Monday-Friday throughout September  
St. John's Crypt,  
73 Waterloo Road, SE1 8UD, London  
10am-4pm

Artists are making a series of portraits of the First Surrey Rifles: Lambeth soldiers and auxiliaries who fought in the Battle of the Somme. When they are finished they will be looking for surviving families to gift them these portraits. You can visit the studio and see their gallery with volunteers, students and professionals working on this project.

**Free, booking not required.**



**Soldiers of the 6th London Royal Field Artillery, 1914**



**The First Surrey Rifles band playing in Brixton, c.1915**



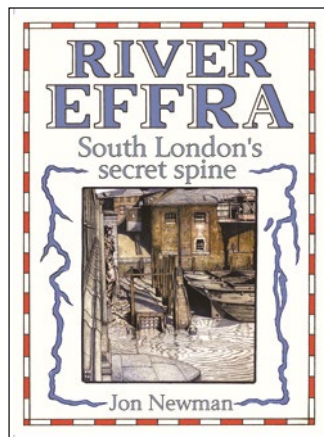
**Artist Paula Ligo works on a portrait of Vera Brittain**

# **AUTHOR EVENT** **River Effra, South London's Secret Spine, Jon Newman**

Friday 30 September  
Brixton Library,  
Brixton Hill, SW2 1JQ  
7pm

The Effra vanished underground 150 years back, leaving just a few legends and a nagging fascination.

Once the willow-fringed haunt of eels and herons, it had been transformed by unregulated suburban development from a small river into a large sewer, until finally it was covered over. Writer and archivist Jon Newman, discusses and reads from his new book which tells its story from geology through social, environmental and engineering history to its enduring mythic presence today.



**River Effra book cover, by Jon Newman**

# **WALK** **Jon Newman will also be leading a series of history walks along the vanished course of the river**

**High Effra** Sunday 11 September 2.30pm-5pm

A horseshoe walk, descending the Lower Norwood branch of the Effra from its source and then returning up the Upper Norwood branch to that stream's source. Meet at entrance to Westow Park, Church Road S19 2UE; finish at Crystal Palace Parade. 4 miles.

**Middle Effra** Sunday 25 September 11am-1pm

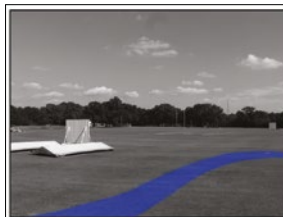
A walk along the Effra valley as it passes between Knights Hill and Herne Hill. Meet at West Dulwich railway station and finish at Brixton underground station. 3 miles.

**Low Effra** Sunday 25 September 2.30pm-4pm

A walk following the course of the 'new cut' of the river dug in the middle ages from Kennington to the Thames. Meet at Oval underground station; finish at Vauxhall underground station. 2 miles.

**To book places on these free walks contact [archives@lambeth.gov.uk](mailto:archives@lambeth.gov.uk) or call 0207 926 6076**

**River Effra, South London's secret spine is published in September 2016 by Signal Books, price £9.99. Copies will be on sale at a promotional price of £8.00 at all the above events.**



**Dulwich Playing Fields, photo by David Western**



**South Lambeth Place, photo by David Western**

# **TOUR** **Henry Tate's Garden**

Sunday 4 September

Meet at the lodge gate, Henry Tate Mews, Streatham Common North, SW16 3HA  
2pm-3pm & 3pm-4pm

See the garden's numerous features, including the Pulhamite Grotto, Castle Folly and Lake. Also view the exterior of Park Hill, a Grade II\* listed house designed by J.B. Papworth c.1830, and one time home of Sir Henry Tate, sugar magnate and benefactor.

**Free, booking not required.**

# **WALK** **Stockwell Green History**

Sunday 4 September

Meet outside Costcutter store, The Quadrant, Stockwell Green, SW9 9JF  
2.30pm-3.45pm

A guided walk around this small, historic area to hear about two places of worship, two schools, two breweries and what happened to the village green. Organised by the Stockwell Village Association.

**Free, no booking required.**

# **WALK** **Lambeth: Village, Palace, River and Marsh**

Monday 5 September, Friday 16 September, Thursday 29 September  
Meet at Lambeth Palace gates, Lambeth Palace Rd, SE1 7JU  
4pm

A series of walks led by Lambeth archivist Len Reilly exploring the places shown in the Lambeth and its Palace exhibition at Lambeth Palace. (see page 14)

**Free, but booking essential [archives@lambeth.gov.uk](mailto:archives@lambeth.gov.uk) or 020 7926 6076.**

# **TALK** **Brixton Buildings and People**

Monday 5 September

The Woodlawns Centre,  
16 Leigham Court Rd, SW16 2PJ  
8pm-10pm

A look and review of the buildings in and around Brixton and the people who lived in them. Illustrated talk by architect and local historian Alan Piper.

**A charge of £1 on the door, or free to members of the Streatham Society. Booking not required.**



**Park Hill, built c1830**



**Watercolour of Lambeth Palace courtyard by A.J.Chare, 1874**

### WALK The Heyday of Vauxhall Gardens

Tuesday 6 September  
Meet at Starbucks opposite Vauxhall Station, SW8 1SP  
2.30pm-4pm

David E. Coke, co-author of *Vauxhall Gardens: A History* is your guide on this trip through time – not only to the light-footed Madame Sacqui but even further back to visionary 18th century entrepreneur Jonathan Tyers, creator of this fabled pleasure gardens that put English art, music and song on the map.

**No booking required, £5 contribution to Vauxhall Society appreciated.**

### TALK Now You See It, Now You Don't – Magic! The Lost Buildings of Brixton

Thursday 8 September  
Vida Walsh Centre, 2b Saltoun Rd, SW2 1EP  
7pm-9pm

A talk on the lost buildings of Brixton illustrated using a modern data projector, a 35mm slide projector, and an antique Magic Lantern. If you have any 35mm or magic lantern (3¼" glass) slides, bring them along. There will be free light refreshments.

**Free, no booking required.**



Brixton Market

### WALK Brixton Market Heritage

Saturday 10 September  
Meet at Brixton Station Rd, SW9 8PB  
2.30pm-3.45pm

A guided walk taking in the street markets, covered arcades and high street of the famous Brixton market area. The history of the markets mirror the history of Brixton – learn about both on this walk. Organised by the Brixton Society.

**Booking essential email [marketwalks@brixtonsociety.org.uk](mailto:marketwalks@brixtonsociety.org.uk). Price £3 per person includes a copy of the walk booklet.**

### WALK Old Lambeth

Sunday 11 September  
Meet outside Lambeth North Tube, corner of Westminster Bridge Rd and Baylis Rd, SE1 7XG (the station itself will be closed for improvement works, nearest tube will be Waterloo)  
2.30pm-4.30pm

Led by Alan Piper, this walk will follow a circular route past a selection of sites and landmarks within Lambeth's historic core, including Lower Marsh, Lambeth Walk and the old High Street.

**Free but donations welcome, booking not required.**



Lambeth Carlton Bowling Green, Brixton

### TOUR Lambeth Palace Library Open Afternoons

Mondays 12 and 19 September  
Lambeth Palace Library,  
Lambeth Palace Rd, SE1 7JU. Entry is via the Library entrance on Lambeth Palace Rd  
12pm-3pm

Lambeth Palace Library's collections date from the ninth century to the present day, their broad scope reflecting the Church of England's involvement in national and international history.

Visit our reading room and learn more about our collections, services, and talk to staff.

**There is no need to book. Contact [archives@churchofengland.org](mailto:archives@churchofengland.org) or 020 7898 1400 with queries.**



Lambeth Towers model, Lambeth Road

### TALK Designing Housing Schemes for Lambeth and Southwark

Wednesday 14 September  
Herne Hill United Church Hall, Red Post Hill, SE24 9PW  
7.45pm

A talk by Kate Mackintosh, distinguished architect who designed Dawson's Heights in Dulwich, and sheltered housing in Streatham amongst many other credits. Her presentation will also make reference to the housing of her late partner, George Finch, who designed Lambeth Towers, and may touch on the work of Rose Stjernstedt, now under threat.

**Free, booking not required.**

### TOUR Waterloo Vaults

Thursday 15 September  
The Vaults, Leake St, SE1 7NN  
2pm-2.45pm

Join Ami Stidolph for a tour of Waterloo's abandoned underground space which is now used as the award-winning 'Vaults' arts venue. From Banksy's legal graffiti space in Leake Street, to the tunnels that once held the infamous Necropolis line, you will hear about the venue's history, as well as our future plans to boost and expand arts in Lambeth.

**Booking essential, phone 020 7401 9603 or email [enquiries@the-vaults.org](mailto:enquiries@the-vaults.org)**



The Vaults, Waterloo

### TALK Lambeth Riverside

Thursday 15 September  
The Phoenix Centre, Westow St,  
SE19 3RW  
8pm-10pm

An illustrated talk by Alan Piper on the changing scenes along Lambeth's frontage to the Thames, from Brunswick House at Vauxhall to Barge House Alley on the Southwark boundary.

**No booking required.**

### TOUR Brixton Fire Station

Friday 16 September  
Brixton Fire Station,  
84 Gresham Rd, SW9 7NP  
6pm-8pm

This year marks the 150th anniversary of the London Fire Brigade. Join the Brixton Society for a free tour of Brixton's fire station, itself over 100 years old. The station building remains the same but the appliances and uniforms have all been updated.

Children are welcome if accompanied by an adult. Organised by the Brixton Society.

**Free but booking essential at**  
[brixtonfirestationtour.eventbrite.co.uk](http://brixtonfirestationtour.eventbrite.co.uk)



Couple on Vauxhall Stairs c1770

### WALK Tooting Bec Common

Friday 16 September  
Meet at the corner of Cavendish and  
Emmanuel Rds, SW12  
6.30pm

A walk conducted by John Rattray of the Balham Society around this common, which at various times has also been known as Streatham Common and Balham Common, covering the history of both the common and the surrounding areas.

**No booking required, free with a collection for the Balham Society.**

### TALK From Lake to Lido

Monday 19th September  
The Woodlawns Centre,  
16 Leigham Court Rd, SW16 2PJ  
8pm-10pm

Hear from local historian Janet Smith about the fascinating history of Tooting Lido. This well-illustrated talk is part of the Tooting Common Heritage Project.

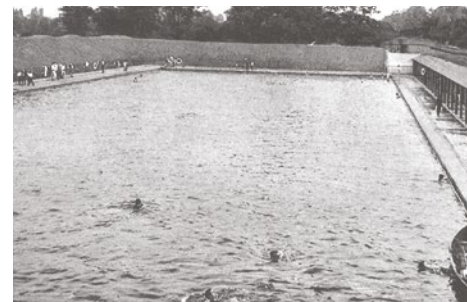
**No booking required. There is a charge of £1 on the door, or free to members of the Streatham Society.**



Brixton Fire Station



Julia Barfield MBE



Tooting Bec Lido circa 1906



Old Cottage Tooting Bec Common

### TALK Architectural Icons

Wednesday 21 September  
Morley College, 61 Westminster Bridge Rd,  
SE1 7HT  
6.30pm

Julia Barfield MBE will talk about the history and design development of the practice's iconic 'London Eye' as well as other local schemes by Marks Barfield Architects.

**Free, no booking required.**

### WALK Brixton Heritage Regeneration Walking Tour

Wednesday 21 September  
Meet outside Brixton Library,  
Brixton Oval, SW2 1JQ  
6.30pm-8pm

Ellie Cook, the Council officer responsible for the Brixton Townscape Heritage Initiative (THI), will lead a walk around Brixton explaining its history, heritage and the conservation of the area with a focus on the THI and its projects.

**Places limited to 20. Please book by emailing [ecook@lambeth.gov.uk](mailto:ecook@lambeth.gov.uk) or phone 020 7926 9588.**



A view towards the Town Hall from Brixton Oval, adjacent to the Library, c.1975

### TOUR **Black Cultural Archives Heritage Centre Tours**

Friday 23 September  
Black Cultural Archives, 1 Windrush Sq,  
Brixton, SW2 1EF  
11am, 1pm and 3pm

Have you wondered what goes on behind the scenes of Black Cultural Archives? Now is your chance to find out on one of our free tours with the collections team. The tour will last no more than an hour and will take place in the reading room, archive store, learning centre and our exhibition.

**To book a space please email [archives@bcaheritage.org.uk](mailto:archives@bcaheritage.org.uk) or phone 020 3757 8510/8511. Booking is essential as places are limited to 20 maximum per group.**

### TALK **Striving for Streatham**

Monday 26 September  
6.30pm  
Streatham Library, 63 Streatham High Rd,  
SW16 1PN

The Council's Urban Designer Priscilla Holness and Conservation officer Harry Wall will present the emerging development on Streatham's former Ceasar's/Megabowl site. Harry will focus on the history of the site and the conservation approach taken to its redevelopment whilst Priscilla will explain the design perspective.



**Kings African Rifles and West Indies Regiment collar pins c1917, Black Cultural Archives collection**

### Throughout September

#### EXHIBITION **Lambeth and its Palace**

Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays from  
5 September to Thursday 29 September,  
with the exception of 26 September and the  
afternoons of 22 and 29 September  
Lambeth Palace Library,  
Lambeth Palace Rd, SE1 7JU  
Entry at 11am, 12 noon, and 3pm

An exhibition of images, documents and objects from the collections of Lambeth Archives and Lambeth Palace Library, displayed in Lambeth Palace's seventeenth-century Great Hall. The exhibition explores the history of the Palace, the surrounding area, and its role in Lambeth's history. Entry is by timed, escorted groups only, meeting at the main gate of Lambeth Palace. Duration of visit is 45 minutes.

**Booking essential for groups of five or more: email [archives@churchofengland.org](mailto:archives@churchofengland.org) or phone 020 7898 1400.**



**Lambeth Palace Great Hall, by Jonty Sexton**

### EXHIBITION **Concrete Reality: Denys Lasdun and the Architecture of the National Theatre**

National Theatre, South Bank, SE1 9PX  
During opening hours, Monday– Saturday  
9.30am–10.45pm

Designed by Denys Lasdun, the National Theatre has divided public opinion since it opened in 1976. Although loved by many, others have seen it as an example of everything wrong with 20th century architecture. 'Concrete Reality' shows the genesis of this iconic building in an exhibition co-curated by architect Patrick Dillon. Free exhibition.

**No booking required.**



**The National Theatre, by Philip Vile**

### TOUR **575 Wandsworth Road**

575 Wandsworth Rd, SW8 3JD  
Tours of the property take place through  
September

No. 575 Wandsworth Road is a modest terraced house that was acquired by the National Trust in 2010 because of its extraordinarily rich and striking interiors. These were created by the writer and poet Khadambi Asalache (1935–2006) who embellished almost every wall, ceiling and door in the house with exquisite fretwork patterns and motifs, which he hand-carved from reclaimed pine doors and floorboards found in skips.

**To book visit [www.nationaltrust.org.uk/575-wandsworth-road](http://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/575-wandsworth-road) or phone 0844 249 1895.**



**Khadambi Asalache's House, 575 Wandsworth Road**

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## Saturday 3

**EVENT** Lambeth Archives Open Day  
10am-5pm p26

**EVENT** Clapham Villiage Fete 12pm-6pm  
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## Sunday 4

**TOUR** Henry Tate's Garden 2pm & 3pm  
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**CONCERT** Jazz on the Bandstand  
3pm-5pm p18

**WALK** Stockwell Green History  
2.30-3.45pm p9

**TOUR** Living Memories of the Somme  
3pm-5pm p6

## Monday 5

**WALK** Lambeth: Village, Palace, River  
and Marsh 4pm p9

**TALK** Brixton Buildings and People  
8pm-10pm p9

## Tuesday 6

**WORKSHOP** Tracing World War One  
Ancestors 12pm-2pm p6

**WALK** Vauxhall Gardens 2.30-4pm p10

**TALK** A New Window on Old Vauxhall  
7pm p18

## Thursday 8

**TOUR** Shakespeare and the National  
Theatre 3.30pm-4.30pm p19

**TALK** Now You See It Now You Don't  
- Magic! The Lost Buildigns of Brixton  
7pm-9pm p10

## Friday 9

**TOUR** Shakespeare and the National  
Theatre 3.30pm-4.30pm p19

**TALK** Hume & Theosophy 7pm p22

## Saturday 10

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**TOUR** Brixton Windmill 2pm-5pm p5

**WALK** Brixton Market Heritage 2.30pm  
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## Sunday 11

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**WALK** Old Lambeth 2.30-4.30pm p10

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## Monday 12

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## Wednesday 14

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**TALK** Designing Housing Schemes for  
Lambeth and Southwark 7.45pm p11

## Thursday 15

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**WORKSHOP** Community Archiving  
6pm-7.30pm p22

**TALK** The Dangerous Women of South  
London 7.30pm p22

**TALK** Lambeth Riverside 8pm-10pm p12

## Friday 16

**WALK** Lambeth: Village, Palace, River  
and Marsh 4pm p9

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**WALK** Tooting Bec Common 6.30pm p12

## Saturday 17

**TOUR** Brixton Windmill 1pm-5pm p5

**EVENT** Open House Weekend

## Sunday 18

**TOUR** Brixton Windmill 1pm-5pm p5

**EVENT** Open House Weekend

## Monday 19

**TOUR** Lambeth Palace Open Afternoon  
12pm & 3pm p11

**TALK** North Lambeth: People and  
Legacy 6.45pm-8pm p23

**TALK** From Lake to Lido 8pm-10pm p12

## Tuesday 20

**WORKSHOP** Stories of the Vaults  
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**TALK** Clapham's Radical and Mutual  
Past 7pm p23

## Wednesday 21

**TALK** Julia Barfield on Architectural  
Icons 6.30pm p13

**WALK** Brixton Heritage Regeneration  
Walking Tour 6.30pm-8pm p13

**EVENT** These Are Our Memories... West  
Norwood 7pm-8.30pm p24

**TALK** Community Murals of Lambeth  
7pm p20

## Thursday 22

**EVENT** Brain of Lambeth Quiz  
7.30-9.30pm p20

## Friday 23

**TOUR** Black Cultural Archives Heritage  
Centre Tours 11am, 1pm & 3pm p14

## Saturday 24

**EVENT** Art4Space Connecting Stockwell  
2pm-4pm p20

## Sunday 25

**WALK** Middle Effra 11am-1pm p8

**WALK** Low Effra 2.30pm-4pm p8

## Monday 26

**TALK** Do No Harm: Stories of Life, Death  
and Brain Surgery 8pm-9.15pm p24

**TALK** Striving For Streatham 6.30pm p14

## Tuesday 27

**WORKSHOP** Stories of the Vaults  
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Part One: Carlton Mansions 6pm-8pm  
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## Wednesday 28

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**WALK** Lambeth: Village, Palace, River  
and Marsh 4pm p9

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**TALK Black Music in London**

Thursday 1 September  
Black Cultural Archives, 1 Windrush Square,  
Brixton, SW2 1EF  
1pm-2pm

Lloyd Bradley will be providing insight the research for his book, *Sounds Like London*. The book tells the story of London music and the larger-than-life characters making it, journeying from Soho jazz clubs to Brixton blues parties to King's Cross warehouse raves to the streets of Notting Hill and on to sound systems everywhere.

**£3.00 per person, booking not required.**

**EVENT Clapham Village Fete**

Saturday 3 September  
The Polygon, Clapham Old Town, SW4 0AF  
12pm-6pm

Marking the London Fire Brigade's 150-year anniversary with celebrations, activities and entertainment. Including a display of its history as well as vintage and modern equipment from the local brigade. Traditional Morris Dancing, a brass band, face painting, prizes, races, some furry faces from Vauxhall City Farm and much, much more.

**Free, booking not required.**



Male vocal group The Southlanders, c.1965

**CONCERT Jazz on the Bandstand**

Sunday 4 September  
Clapham Common Bandstand, SW4 9DE  
3pm-5pm

Enjoy an afternoon of music on Clapham's historic bandstand. Junction Jazz will play a selection of traditional and Dixieland numbers, presented by the Clapham Society.

**Free, booking not required.**

**TALK A new window on old Vauxhall**

Tuesday 6 September  
Tate South Lambeth Library,  
180 South Lambeth Rd, SW8 1QP  
7pm

Official launch of *Vauxhall History*: a free online community archive of eyewitness accounts, articles, images and original documents. Backed by The Vauxhall Society, local authors Naomi Lourie Klein and Dr Ross Davies have teamed up with historian David E. Coke to put Lambeth's vivid history firmly at your fingertips.

**Booking not required. Free, but a contribution to Friends of Tate South Lambeth Library funds is appreciated.**



Junction Jazz

**TOUR Shakespeare and the National Theatre**

Thursday 8 and Friday 9 September  
National Theatre, South Bank, London SE1 9PX  
3.30pm-4.30pm

A tour of the NT and examination of its links with Shakespeare, marking 400 years since his death in 1616. The 1848 proposal for a national theatre - 'a house for Shakespeare' - was inspired by purchase of Shakespeare's Birthplace; the building is dedicated to Shakespeare and the company have performed 66 productions of our national playwright.

**Book essential as numbers are limited: Tours@nationaltheatre.org.uk or phone 020 7452 3000.**



Statue of the first Director of the National Theatre, Laurence Olivier, as Hamlet by Alison Rae



Vauxhall Bridge c.1817

**WORKSHOP Stories of the Vaults**

Tuesdays 20 and 27 September  
The Vaults Theatre, Leake St, SE1 7NN  
11am-12.30pm

Join Baz Productions as we explore the unique and fascinating history of the Vaults underneath Waterloo Station through a creative workshop packed with storytelling and drama.

Suitable for all ages 14+

**This workshop is free. Places are limited, so please email [info@bazproductions.co.uk](mailto:info@bazproductions.co.uk) to for further information visit [www.bazproductions.co.uk](http://www.bazproductions.co.uk) or telephone 020 7401 9603.**

40% discount on tickets to any shows between 10th September and 1st October, (excluding Monday evenings). Call Vaults Box Office on quoting 'Lambeth Heritage Festival'.



Baz Productions presents Dream Play

### TALK The Community Murals of Lambeth

Wednesday 21 September  
Brixton Library, Brixton Hill, London SW2 1JQ  
7pm

During the 1980s many community murals were painted in Lambeth, depicting anything from local people to anti-nuclear messages and abstract local references. Often created with residents, who were encouraged to get involved with shaping their local environment. This talk by the London Mural Preservation Society will look at the murals of this period and the artistic background of their creation.



The nuclear dawn mural

### EVENT Brain of Lambeth Quiz

Thursday 22 September  
Vida Walsh Centre, 2B Saltoun Rd, SW2 1EP  
7.30pm-9.30pm

A "pub quiz" style event for teams of 4, with rounds of questions on general knowledge topics including Lambeth and London.

We welcome teams from local organisations, but it helps if you tell us that you are bringing a team – contact John Moore at moore309@hotmail.com or 020 8677 6490.

**Entry fee is £3 per team.**

### EVENT Art4Space Connecting Stockwell

Saturday 24 September  
Surrage Court, Clapham Rd, Stockwell, SW9 9BN  
2pm-4pm

The launch of a community art project for Stockwell bringing together local businesses, community groups and residents. Over 300 local children and adults have been involved in a programme of workshops over the last six months. The imagery depicts the rich history of Stockwell and celebrates the area's diversity. Spanning more than 70 metres of mosaic and ceramic art, the project will give Stockwell a unique local character.

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Art4Space

### FILM For What we are about to Lose. Part One: Carlton Mansions

Tuesday 27 September  
Ritz Cinema, Brixton, SW2 1JG  
6pm-8pm

In this beautifully shot and lovingly made documentary, we meet the people who called Carlton Mansions home from 1955 to 2014. Artists, writers, poets and revolutionaries set up camp in this run down building, repaired it, loved it and reluctantly had to leave. We hear their stories.

**Free, booking via [www.eventbrite.com/e/for-what-we-are-about-to-lose-tickets-25645350935](http://www.eventbrite.com/e/for-what-we-are-about-to-lose-tickets-25645350935).**



Carlton Mansions, Coldharbour Lane

Throughout September

### THEATRE Tonight at the Museum – Charlie Chaplin! From the Lambeth Workhouse to Hollywood

Fridays-Sundays from 9-25 September  
The Cinema Museum,  
2 Dugard Way, SE11 4TH

Performances at 2.30pm and 7.30pm,  
Friday afternoon showing for local schools,  
no evening performances on Sundays

The year is 1959. Charles Chaplin is 70, talking across the years to the young Charlie – the little tramp never allowed to speak in the silent movies. Now he has a voice. Written by award-winning playwright Gillian Plowman and produced and directed by Pamela Howard OBE and Chris Butler to be performed in the former Lambeth Workhouse.

**Limited performances, book early to avoid disappointment. [www.thelittletramp.org.uk](http://www.thelittletramp.org.uk) or phone 020 7840 2200.**



Photo by Tony Tomlinson

**TALK Hume & Theosophy**

Friday 9 September  
South London Botanical Institute (SLBI),  
323 Norwood Rd, SE24 9AQ  
7pm

Allan Octavian Hume is remembered as 'the pope' of Indian ornithology and a founder of the Indian National Congress; it is thought that after his brief encounter with Theosophy he abandoned his bird collecting and began to study plants, eventually, in 1910, founding the South London Botanical Institute.

**Free for members/£3 non-members, booking not required.**

**WALK Clapham Common South Side**

Wednesday 14 September  
Meet outside Clapham South Tube,  
SW2 9DU  
2.30pm-4pm

Peter Jefferson Smith, from the Clapham Society, will lead a walk along part of Clapham Common South Side and its hinterland, introducing some of the people who have lived there. Meet a sportsman, a scientist, a playwright and many others.

**Free, booking not required.**



**A O Hume, founder of the SLBI**

**WORKSHOP Community Archive Heritage Workshop – Physical Preservation**

Thursday 15 September  
Black Cultural Archives, 1 Windrush Square,  
Brixton, London, SW2 1EF  
6pm-7.30pm

Are you unsure which items are part of an archive collection? Want to know how to preserve your own archive? Preservation ensures that collections can be used long-term. This workshop focuses on preservation, with an emphasis on traditional, paper-based collections. Learn from our collections team as they share insider knowledge.

**Book via the website [www.bcaheritage.org.uk](http://www.bcaheritage.org.uk) or phone 020 3757 8500**  
**Individuals £7, concessions £5, community groups of five: £30 (£5 discount on group bookings).**

**TALK The Dangerous Women of South London**

Thursday 15 September  
Upper Norwood Library, Westow Hill, SE19 1TJ  
7.30pm

Setting fires, risking lives and imprisonment by challenging authority; these women worked tirelessly in a variety of ways within the suffrage movement to achieve equality with men. Ruth Miller will talk about the role of Emily Leaf from Norwood, and Barbara Thomas will introduce further local campaigners including Leonora Tyson.

**Free with donations.**



**Women's suffrage**



**Jack Hobbs, cricketer and Clapham resident**



**Family portrait from the Harry Jacobs collection, c.1978**

**TALK North Lambeth: People and Legacy**

Monday 19 September  
Durning Library,  
167 Kennington Lane, SE11 4HF  
6.45pm for 7.15pm start

This talk by Michael J. Keane celebrates those who have lived, worked or had a lasting impact on North Lambeth and beyond. Chaplin, Tate, Ashmole, Claudia Jones, Henry Fawcett, Marjorie Porter, William Blake, Eric Gill: familiar or not, all in their own way have left a lasting legacy.

**£2 suggested contribution, includes pre-talk refreshments provided by the Friends of the Durning Library.**

**TALK Clapham's Radical and Mutual Past**

Tuesday 20 September  
Clapham Library, Mary Seacole Centre,  
91 Clapham High St, SW4 7DB  
7pm

Chartism, William Morris Hall, the Foresters, the Oddfellows, the Independent Labour Party: Sean Creighton will discuss Clapham's involvements in radical, labour and socialist politics as well as mutual organisation in friendly societies and trade unions in the 19th and early 20th centuries. Sean is an independent historian and publisher.

**Free.**

## EVENT These are our memories...West Norwood

Wednesday 21 September  
West Norwood Library, The Old Library,  
14 – 16 Knights Hill, SE27 0HY  
7pm-8.30pm

Join Lambeth archivist Zoe Darani and staff at West Norwood Library for a cup of tea and a chat as we take a whistle-stop tour of the local area over the last 70 years. Perhaps you have memories, photos, music or special items you would like to share? Feel free to bring a long some of your favourite food from your past.

**Free, to reserve your place email**  
**WestNorwoodLibrary@lambeth.gov.uk**  
**or phone 020 7926 8092.**

## TALK Do No Harm

Monday 26 September  
Omnibus, 1 Clapham Common North Side,  
SW4 0QW  
8pm-9.15 pm

Neurosurgeon Henry Marsh, brought up in Clapham, will talk about his best-selling book, *Do No Harm: Stories of Life, Death and Brain Surgery*. A moving insight into the highs and lows of a career dedicated to operating on the human brain and how it feels to hold life in your hands.

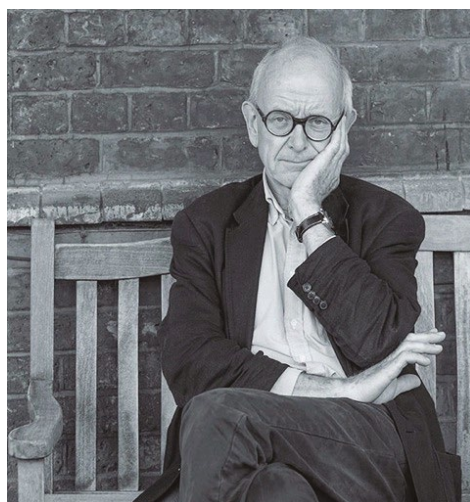
**Free, booking not required.**



**Rate-capping protests, Clapham, 1984**



**Pupils at St. Luke's West Norwood celebrating the wedding of HRH Prince Charles and Lady Diana Spencer, 1981**



**Henry Marsh: Talk Do No Harm**

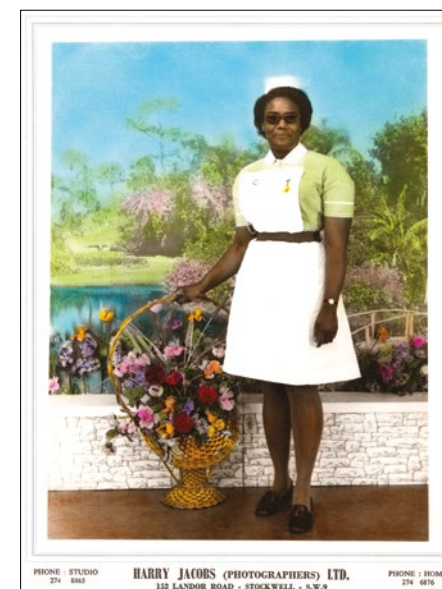
## Throughout September

### EXHIBITION From the 'Black woman of Brixton Causeway' to Harry Jacobs

Monday-Friday 9am-5pm from  
1 September – 11 September  
Monday-Friday 9am-8pm, Saturday 9am-4pm from 12 – 30 September  
Morley College London,  
61 Westminster Bridge Rd, SE1 7HT

Starting with the earliest entries for black people found in Lambeth parish registers through to mid-20th century studio photography, this exhibition uses archival documents and images from the collections of Lambeth Archives to document three hundred years of local black history.

**Free, no booking required.**



**Hand tinted portrait of a nurse in uniform from the Harry Jacobs archive collection**

### EXHIBITION The Norwood Home for Jewish Children

West Norwood Health and Leisure Centre,  
25 Devane Way, SE27 0DF

A display from the Norwood Charity, telling the story of the Jewish Orphanage that once sat on the site of the leisure centre.

### EXHIBITION A Fighters' Archive

During opening hours  
Lambeth Archives, 52 Knatchbull Rd,  
SE5 9QY

An exhibition of artwork by Wijnand de Jonge commemorating the Black Women's Movement in Brixton during the 1970s and 80s. 17 bronze casts will be displayed of the clenched fists of influential women involved in the Movement. The work records a fragment of relatively recent social history specific to south London, playing with the concepts of traditional sculpture and the boxer's archive.

**Free, no booking required.**  
**[www.fightersarchive.uk](http://www.fightersarchive.uk)**



**Bronze Cast of Beverley Bryan's Fist**

# Lambeth Archives Open Day

Lambeth Archives,  
52 Knatchbull Road, SE5 9QY  
Saturday 3 September 10am-5pm

This year's open day features Lambeth's local societies, a medley of talks and displays at Lambeth Archives and at the nearby Michael Church and Longfield Hall, which have both been made generously available to us.

## **TOUR Behind the scenes of the Archives**

1pm

A backstage tour of Lambeth Archives, showing the scale and variety of items in the archives collection.

**EXHIBITION Lambeth Archives staff choice**

**EXHIBITION A Fighters' Archive**

**BOOK SALE New and second hand titles**



## Longfield Hall

Corner of Knatchbull Road and Burton Road, SE5 9QY

A fantastic opportunity to meet Lambeth's local history societies and chat about your local area. Experts from all parts of the borough will be on hand.

**EXHIBITION Local societies displays**

**BOOK SALE Local history titles and postcards from across Lambeth**

## Michael Church

131 Burton Road, SW9 6TG

## **TALK Lambeth in World War I: September 1915-September 1916**

10.15am-10.45am

Len Reilly, Lambeth Archives Manager

Len continues his summary of Lambeth during the Great War, discussing air raids, conscription, casualties and the Somme.

## **TALK A History of the Elephant and Castle**

10.45am-11.30am

Stephen Humphrey, Southwark Historian

A threnody – a formal lament – for the heyday of the district between about 1840 and the Blitz, when it was most lively and thriving, and its people were housed in attractive buildings of human scale.

## **TALK A Monument of Fame: Lambeth Palace Library's Collections and Work**

11.45am-12.30pm

Lambeth Palace Library staff member

Lambeth Palace Library, founded in 1610, has a rich collection of manuscripts and archives, dating from the ninth century covering the history of the Church of England as well as wider British and Commonwealth history. This talk gives an overview of some of this fascinating material and of how it is used today.

## **TALK Lost Architecture of Lambeth**

2pm-2.45pm

Edmund Bird, Heritage advisor to the Mayor of London

A presentation on some of the many fine buildings in Lambeth that have been lost over the years, falling victim to wartime bombing, council clearances for new estates or public buildings in the post-war years, or to redevelopment schemes by private developers.

## **TALK The Lambeth Dead of the Somme**

3pm-3.45pm

Jon Newman, Lambeth Archives Manager

Among the bloody follies of war the battle of the Somme still ranks high. 19,000 British troops died on the 1st July 1916, and 4 months later 5 miles of front had been "won" at a cost of over a million casualties. Its losses scarred families across England, France and Germany; Jon Newman looks at the effect it had on people in Lambeth.



Lambeth Palace Library manuscript



Bomb damage to houses in Baytree Road, Brixton, 1916



Albert Embankment showing the lost buildings of Lambeth Bridge House, Doulton House and Bridge House c.1950



The Somme

# Booking

**Most events are free and some require booking.**

A copy of this brochure can also be downloaded from:

**[www.lambeth.gov.uk/heritagefestival](http://www.lambeth.gov.uk/heritagefestival)**

**Every effort has been made to ensure that the information provided is correct at the time of going to print but there may be unavoidable last minute changes in events.**

## Lambeth Libraries and Archives

### Lambeth Archives

Minet Library,  
52 Knatchbull Road,  
SE5 9QY

**Tel:** 020 7926 6076

### Brixton Library

Brixton Oval,  
SW2 1JQ

**Tel:** 020 7926 1056

### Clapham Library

Mary Seacole Centre,  
91 Clapham High Street,  
SW4 7DB

**Tel:** 020 7926 0717

### Durning Library

167 Kennington Lane,  
SE11 4HF

**Tel:** 020 7926 8682

### South Lambeth Library

180 South Lambeth Road,  
SW8 1QP

**Tel:** 020 7926 0705

### Streatham Library

63 Streatham High Road,  
SW16 1PL

**Tel:** 020 7926 6768

### Waterloo Library

114-118 Lower Marsh,  
SE1 7AG

**Tel:** 020 7926 8750

### West Norwood Library

The Old Library,  
14-16 Knights Hill,  
SE27 0HY

**Tel:** 020 7926 8092

### Upper Norwood Joint Library

39-41 Westow Hill,  
SE19 1TJ

**Tel:** 020 8670 2551

# Public Consultation on Lambeth Archives

## Have your voice heard on the future of Lambeth Archives

Lambeth Council is conducting a review on the future location of Lambeth Archives, with a view to delivering an effective archives service for the future. Creative Cultures, who are undertaking the options review for Lambeth Council, would like your views, whether you are an established user, an occasional user, or have never used the service but are interested in Lambeth's history and heritage.

The online survey can be found at: **<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/VKLY2ZP>**

### Future location options (including remaining in the present location) will have to:

- Be affordable in capital and revenue terms
- Improve accessibility
- Adopt new technologies and digital record keeping
- Maximise income generation
- Provide a place where people can come to discover and learn about local identity and heritage
- Meet national standards for storing archives
- Have enough space to house the present collections and future acquisitions

### The survey should take around 5 minutes to complete. It is divided into three sections:

- What use or contact you have had with Lambeth Archives
- What you would like to see the service provide in future and what location would best suit your needs
- Information about you or the group you represent

The survey will be open until **31 August 2016**.

# Participating organisations

Art4Space	Lambeth Planning Department
Balham Society	London Mural Preservation Society
Black Cultural Archives	Longfield Hall
Brixton Society	Minet Conservation Association
Cinema Museum	Morley College
Clapham Film Unit	National Theatre
Clapham Society	Norwood Society
Friends of Durning Library	Open House London
Friends of Tate South Lambeth Library	Southbank Mosaics
Friends of West Norwood Cemetery	South London Botanical Institute
Friends of Windmill Gardens	South London Local History Group
Herne Hill Society	Streatham Society
Lambethans Society	Stockwell Village Association
Lambeth Libraries and Archives	The Vaults Theatre
Lambeth Local History Forum	Vauxhall Society
Lambeth Palace Library	



## Lambeth Archives

**Lambeth Archives is the local history library and archive for the Lambeth area. It is part of Lambeth's public library service.**

The archive collects, makes available and preserves records and published material relating to Lambeth and its people, past and present. These collections chart the growth and histories of Lambeth over the centuries.

Whether you want to trace your family history, house history, discover the origins of your neighbourhood or look at how the area is governed, staff are on hand to assist you. The archives reading room is open to the public free of charge and there is no need to make an appointment.

### Lambeth Archives

Minet Library, 52 Knatchbull Road,  
London, SE5 9QY

**Tel:** 020 7926 6076

**Email:** [archives@lambeth.gov.uk](mailto:archives@lambeth.gov.uk)

**Web:** [www.lambeth.gov.uk/archives](http://www.lambeth.gov.uk/archives)  
[www.landmark.lambeth.gov.uk/default.asp](http://www.landmark.lambeth.gov.uk/default.asp)

**Twitter:** @LambethArchives

### Our public search room is open:

Monday 1pm-8pm  
Tuesday 10am-6pm  
Thursday 10am-6pm  
Friday 10am-1pm  
Saturday 9am-5pm

### Lambeth Local History Forum

Lambeth Local History Forum is the umbrella body for local history and amenity societies in Lambeth. It runs a summer walks programme and works with Lambeth Archives to promote the history and heritage of the borough. [www.lambethlocalhistoryforum.org.uk](http://www.lambethlocalhistoryforum.org.uk)

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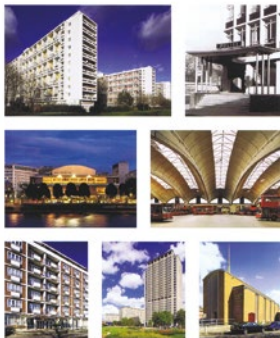
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## Lambeth Architecture 1965-99



Edmund Bird and Fiona Price  
Photographs by John East

Edmund Bird and Fiona Price's surveys of twentieth century architecture in Lambeth showcase the diverse, ever-changing built environment of the borough.

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