

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

Lambeth Heritage Festival

September 2023





FOREWORD

I am very pleased to introduce you to the programme of events for this year's Lambeth's Heritage Festival which is happening throughout the month of September. Once again, its varied line up and attractive mix of events tries to offer something for everyone and seeks to reflect our diverse community here in Lambeth.

Preserving our own heritage and using it to help connect local people with the opportunities and challenges in Lambeth today is something that I am very keen about and so I am really excited that Lambeth Archives and the Lambeth Local History Forum have put together such a rich and innovative programme.

One of the really important things that the Festival does is to open up the histories of Lambeth's peoples and places and to make them relevant and interesting for residents and visitors. With that in mind, there are talks, films, music, exhibitions, walks and workshops covering a whole spread of interests and from just about every geographical perspective: everything from Charlie Chaplin and Lambeth Music Hall to Victorian gardeners and orchid growers. For the more hands-on, there is a paper-cutting workshop in the National Trust's smallest and only Lambeth house on the Wandsworth Road as well as an urban sketching tour of Brixton.

One particular pleasure of the Festival is the chance it offers to explore some of the hidden corners of our extraordinary borough. This year there will be tours of Brixton Market, Streatham crypt and graveyard, West Norwood Cemetery, Brixton Windmill, Henry Tate's gardens in Streatham and one of Lambeth's least-known museums, Clockworks, in West Norwood. Then there are the guided walks of particular areas and the quirkier walks exploring unusual aspects of our borough: a bat walk, botanical walks, walks along some of our underground rivers and a Brixton tour in the footsteps of the Windrush generation.

There are over 40 different events to choose from with the opening event of the festival - the Lambeth Local History Fair- at West Norwood Library and Picturehouse on Saturday 2nd September with local society stalls, talks and walks.

I hope to see you there and at many other events during the month.

Councillor Donatus Anyanwu Cabinet Member for Stronger Communities, Leisure and Sport, Lambeth Council



Their Finest Hour

Do you have any Second World War related stories and objects passed down to you from your parents, grandparents, and other family members?

Would you like to digitally preserve these stories and objects before they are lost to history? Their Finest Hour is looking for people to bring their stories and objects relating to the Second World War to their Digital Collection Session at the Local History Fair on Saturday 2 September 2023.

The event is part of a nationwide campaign organised by Their Finest Hour, a team based at the University of Oxford and funded by the National Lottery Heritage Fund, which is collecting and preserving the everyday stories and objects of the Second World War.

As these stories are fast fading from living memory, it is vital that they, and the wartime objects that often

accompany them, are preserved for future generations.

At the Digital Collection Session, stories about your family's wartime experience - and associated objects such as diaries, letters, medals, journals, and ration books - will be recorded, digitised, and then uploaded to the free-to-access Their Finest Hour Online Archive, which will be launched in June 2024.

The project team are looking for all kinds of stories and objects, from the extraordinary to the seemingly ordinary. The project team want the archive to reflect the diverse experiences of all those affected by the war: men and women across the British Empire and the Commonwealth who worked in industry, on the land, or in other roles; ran households and fought a daily battle of rationing; served in or supported the armed forces; and even those who refused to go to war for political or religious reasons.

If you have any questions about the event, please contact theirfinesthour@ell.ox.ac.uk. For more information about the project, please visit the project website (theirfinesthour.org). You can also follow the project's progress on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.



War Weapon Week Acre Lane

Baby's dress made from parachute silk



British Legion's Joy Day for Children

from June 30th

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Lambeth in the Blitz

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Fish rationing

Jim Grover: Windrush Exhibition

Exhibition

TIME: Check Clapham Library website for opening hours.

Till Tuesday 19th September

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

See this major new photographic exhibition, which has been running since 1st June, by award-winning local social documentary photographer, Jim Grover, marking the 75th anniversary of the arrival of SS Windrush.

Free, Booking not required.

www.lambeth.gov.uk/events/jim-grover-windrush-photography-exhibition



Over A Barrel: Windrush Children, Tragedy and Triumph

Exhibition TIME:Thursday-Saturday I 0.00am 6.00pm Sunday I 2.00am-5.00pm

Till Sunday 10th September

Black Cultural Archives, I Windrush Square, Brixton SW2 1EF

This exhibition has been running since 6 June. While Windrush is often associated with adults seeking new opportunities and a 'better life', the stories of Windrush generation children are often overlooked. In the Caribbean diaspora, children were often taught to be seen and not heard, perpetuating a prevalent rhetoric. Our exhibition gives voice to both Barrel Children (a term coined by Dr. Claudette Crawford-Brown), who had minimal contact with their parents through remittances, often in the form of barrels of goods from England like letters, parcels, fabric, soap from abroad, and children born in Britain to Windrush parents.

£5 (£3 Concessions) Booking not required. Information: https://blackculturalarchives.org



Lambeth Local History Fair West Norwood - More Than a Cemetery

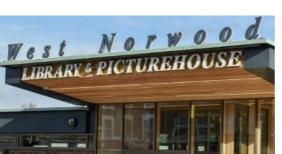
Event TIME: 10am - 4.30pm

Saturday 2nd September

West Norwood Library and Picturehouse I-5 Norwood High St, Norwood, SE27 9|X.

This year's fair is being held in the West Norwood Library and Picturehouse. This intriguing building re-opened after refurbishment in 2018 and is fully wheelchair accessible. West Norwood railway station is only a couple of minutes' walk away and buses 2, 68, 196, 315, 322, 432, 468 & 690 stop nearby. Meet members of the Lambeth Local History Forum to learn about their work and how you might join in. There will be local history publications on sale.

Entry to the fair is FREE and there is a café on site for light refreshments with toilet facilities.



Programme through the day

Herbal Heritage

- meet outside the library entrance

Roy Vickery, South Lambeth Botanical Institute, leads a walk in West Norwood Cemetery

FREE

Walk

Local Interest Films

TIME: 11.00am to 12.30pm

TIME: 3.00pm

-in Screen 4 by kind permission of Picturehouse

A rolling programme of short films of local interest curated by the Norwood Forum

FREE

Film

Walk TIME: 10.30am

11.30am

12.30pm 1.30pm 2.30pm

- meet outside the library entrance

Walks led by Lambeth tour guides focusing on there is more to West Norwood than a cemetery and how everyday life has evolved over the centuries including the influence of the railways and why key buildings remain

£6 Book: https://bit.ly/NorwoodSocEvents



River Effra

TIME: 2.00pm

- meet outside the library entrance

Ion Newman, Lambeth Archivist, leads a one hour walk along the course of the Effra at West Norwood; looking at the surviving landscape evidence for the river that disappeared into a sewer in the 1860s.



The Abuse and Exploitation of Children in Victorian South London

Talk

TIME: I.00pm

- in the Community Room

Dr Jane Jordan gives a one hour talk. The English Government only raised the age of consent for girls from 13 to 16 ln 1885, partly in response to a devastating London newspaper exposé detailing the extent of child prostitution and child sexual assault. As a result, many more such cases of abuse against children were reported to the police because of increased public awareness. This illustrated talk focuses on a number of local cases prosecuted under the new legislation and which had links to West Norwood and West Norwood Cemetery.

FREE

Inspirational Women of Lambeth

Talk

TIME: 2.30pm

- in the Community Room

Jenny Rossiter gives a one hour talk, Lambeth is the backdrop to the stories of some extraordinary women who are featured in the upcoming book Inspirational Women of Lambeth. This talk will provide an historical perspective as to why we are more familiar with pioneering women of north rather than south London and offer a glimpse of mountaineers, artists, architects, actors, politicians, doctors, nurses, novelists, theatre directors, social reformers, and campaigners – all of them women who have lived, worked, or set up organisations within Lambeth. Jenny has been involved in various voluntary organisations concerned with housing and social welfare. In 2012 she wrote and published Nobler and Better Things about social reformer Octavia Hill (who has a connection with Lambeth and is in the book). The talk will include women both contemporary and historic from all areas of the Borough of Lambeth.

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Second World War project 'Their Finest Hour'

Digital history project

West Norwood Library and Picturehouse I-5 Norwood High St, Norwood, SE27 9JX.

All day. This project by The University of Oxford will have a stall at the fair. Full details page 2





Saturday 2nd September

Guided tours of the Clockworks

Tours TIME: 2.00pm

3.00pm 4.00pm 5.00pm

The Clockworks, 6 Nettlefold Place, London SE27 0|W.

Internationally pre-eminent museum and integral workshops devoted to electrical timekeeping and the distribution of accurate time (1840-1970). Practical education and conservation in action.

FREE. Booking not required

Contact: james.nye@theclockworks.org

Sunday 3rd September

West Norwood Cemetery tour

Walk

TIME: 2.30pm

West Norwood Cemetery, Norwood Road, SE27 9JU

A Friends of West Norwood Cemetery tour guide will show you the wonderful monuments and describe the famous people here, in one of London's "Magnificent Seven" Victorian garden cemeteries.

FREE Booking: www.fownc.org/tickets donations welcome



Sunday 3rd September

Hyde Farm and Weir Road, Balham

Walk

TIME: 2.30pm

- meet corner of Cavendish and Emmanuel Roads, SWI2 0PP

A walk, conducted by John Rattray for the Balham Society, covering the Hyde Farm and Weir Road areas of Balham, and some of the personalities associated with them.

FREE. Booking not required Contact: balhamsociety@gmail.com Collection for the Balham Society



Monday 4th September

Tour of St Leonard's Church, Churchyard and Crypt

Tour TIME: 1.30pm St Leonard's Church, Tooting Bec Gardens, Streatham, London SW16 IHS

Despite the rebuilds, St Leonard's church is Streatham's oldest building and its well-preserved medieval crypt and its churchyard provide a rich history of many of its long-departed residents. Possibly not for the squeamish. Led by local historian and writer, John W Brown. Please note entry to the crypt and the bell tower is via steep spiral staircases.

£5 donation to St Leonard's Church Booking: tinyurl.com/streathamSocEventbite





Tuesday 5th September

The Measures Brothers. South London orchid growers and collectors

Talk

TIME: 7.30pm

St Leonard's Church, Tooting Bec Gardens, Streatham, London SW16 1HS $\,$

An Illustrated talk by Tracey Gregory (Local Historian and author Loughborough Road Histories) about the Measurer's family, their orchid collections and business interests including scandal.

FREE Booking not required, donations welcome. Info: streathamsoc@gmail.com



Unseen Vauxhall - the Vanished and the Unnoticed

Walk

TIME: 2.00pm

- meet Vauxhall Bus Station, SW8 2LN

From spaceflight to a little-known almost tropical neighbourhood, a Victorian heated swimming pool to a vanished Victorian statue, more almshouses than you could shake a beadle's stick at, and more besides; Vauxhall is more than just the pleasure gardens.

£12

Booking: www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/665675662827



Thursday 7th September

"Lovely Lambeth": an urban walk through the eyes of William Blake

Walk TIME: 2.00pm

-meet at Westminster Bridge, SWIA 2JH by the lion statue on the Lambeth side

The poet and artist William Blake spent ten hugely productive years living and working in Lambeth. Some of his most famous works, like his Songs of Experience, were conceived, written, etched and published from his house on Hercules Road. This circular walk, led by Jon Newman, seeks the traces of Blake's inspiration.

FREE Booking essential, https://lovelylambeth.eventbrite.co.uk



Thursday 7th September

'Isn't It A Joy to Dance and Sing?' A talk about Lambeth and Music Hall

Talk TIME: 6.00pm

Brixton Tate Library, Brixton Oval SW2 IJQ

Alison Young, a Music Hall historian, Vice Chair of the British Music Hall Society, and a descendant of a lively collection of Lambeth-connected Music Hall performers, will share some new stories from her own research into past theatrical residents and take the audience back to an Edwardian night out in Brixton.

FREE Booking essential www.brixtonsociety.org.uk/events

Friday 8th and Friday 29th September

Welcome to West Dulwich

Walk TIME: 1.45pm

- meet at West Dulwich Station, Thurlow Park Road, SE21 8HN

The little house built by a master plasterer as a showcase for his skills, the building that would not be out of place in an episode of Poirot, the pub where Thomas Harris died, as reported in newspapers across the UK, the boulevard that leads to nowhere, and more.

£12 Booking: www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/665666445257







Saturday 9th September

Herne Hill Heritage Trail: North

Walk

TIME: 10.00am

-meet at Herne Hill Station, Railton Road SE24 0JW

We commence at our handsome Grade 2 listed Herne Hill Station, and then look around Station Square, including the foyer building of the Cinema Grand (1913). We shall see the location of Herne Hill's first cinema, the Picture Palace (1910-1915), Poets Corner, the location of the Wellcome Physiological Research Laboratories, and possibly visit Brockwell Lido. We finish at one of our splendid Victorian pubs.

FREE. Booking: noticeboard@hernehillsociety.org.uk

Saturday 9th September

Heritage Day at the Woodfield Pavilion

Event

TIME: 10.30am to 5.00pm

Woodfield Pavilion, Tooting Bec Common, 16a Abbotswood Road SW16 IAP

A "meet the author" event; opportunity to meet local historians in Streatham, Balham and Tooting, buy their books, go on guided walks across the Tooting Commons and attend talks by John W Brown (Streatham Society), Paul Darby (Balham Cycling Club) and Janet Smith (Tooting History Group)

Walks £5 donation

Booking required: tinyurl.com/TheWoodfield Talks FREE but donations welcome to The Woodfield Project Info: streathamsoc@gmail.com





Saturday 9th September

Plant Survey of West Norwood Cemetery

Walk

TIME: 11 00am

- meet Main entrance West Norwood Cemetery, Norwood Road SE27 9JU

Take part for about 90 minutes in the ongoing survey of the wild flowers growing in the Cemetery organised by the SLBI with Amanda Tuke and Roy Vickery. All welcome regardless of ability.

FREE Booking not required Contact: info@slbi.org.uk

Saturday 9th September

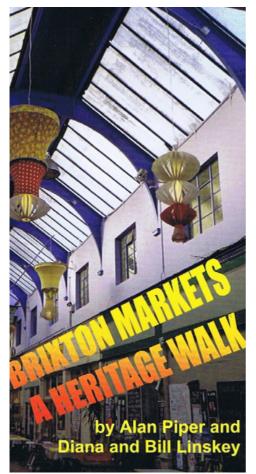
A wander around the Victorian Kennington Park

Walk TIME: 2.30pm

- meet at Prince Consort Lodge (Trees for Cities) in Kennington Park, Kennington Park Road, SEI I 4AS

175 years ago, the Chartists held their mass rally on Kennington Common, six years later the Common became South London's first public park. Hear stories of plants, politics, and play, fountains, fitness, and spies; revolution, royalty and "model houses for families". Led by Marietta Crichton Stuart, Chair of the Friends of Kennington Park

FREE: booking not necessary
Contact: friends@kenningtonpark.org





Saturday 9th September

Brixton Market Heritage Walk

Walk

TIME: 2.30pm

- meet in Brixton Station Road

A 75-minute walk taking in the street markets, covered arcades and high street. The story of the ever-changing market area reflects the wider history of Brixton.

£5 (includes copy of the book of the walk)
Booking essential: www.brixtonsociety.org.uk/events

Sunday 10th September

Guided Walk of Brixton Hill

Walk

TIME: I.00pm

- meet 12.50pm Brixton Windmill, 100 Blenheim Gardens, SW2 5DA

A 1½ hour walk with a Blue Badge Guide, covering 19thand 20th-century developments near Brixton Windmill including prison, waterworks, trams and telegraphy £12/£6

Book via brixtonwindmill.org/visit/guided-walks



Sunday 10th September

West Norwood Blue Plaques guided walk

Walk TIME: 2.00pm

- meet on the corner outside Galloways Estate Agents, 282 Norwood Rd, London SE27 9AJ

A 90min walk led by Norwood Forum to discover some of the impact of The Second World War on West Norwood, visit our oldest pub, and unearth the important part our neighbourhood played in building London Bridge - and lots more interesting hidden local history.

FREE Booking essential as places are limited: https://norwoodforumblueplaqueswalk.eventbrite.co.uk

Sunday 10th September

The History of Clapham Common

Walk TIME: 2.30pm

- meet at the Bandstand on Clapham Common SW4 0AB

Tom Jansz leads this walk, tracing the history of Clapham Common from medieval grazing ground through place of recreation for eighteenth century incomers who built villas around it, transformation from rural village to Victorian suburb, home of some notable residents, to its important community role in WW2, and today's green heart of a thriving, multi-cultural area.

FREE Booking essential with tom.jansz@hotmail.co.uk







Tuesday 12th September

Pavement Prowl, searching for pavement weeds around Tulse Hill

Walk

TIME: 11.00am

- meet outside the South London Botanical Institute 323 Norwood Road SE24 9AQ

A 90 minute walk around Tulse Hill with Roy Vickery FREE collection to be taken in aid of the SLBI Contact: info@slbi.org.uk

September 2023 at a glance

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Tuesday 12th September

The Wood that Built London: A Human History of the Great North Wood

Talk

TIME: 6.30pm for 7.00pm

- meet at Carnegie Library, 192 Herne Hill Road, SE24 0AG

Author C.J. Schüler presents his book exploring the vast woods which were intensively managed for a thousand years, providing timber for construction, furniture and shipbuilding, and charcoal for London's blacksmiths, kilns and bakeries. Now they afford important green space, a vital habitat for small mammals, birds and insects.

FREE Booking: www.eventbrite.com/e/663664226567

Tuesday 12th and Saturday 30th September

Incredible Edible Lambeth guided walks

Walk

TIME: 6.00pm

- meet at the doodle bug garden, Wavertree walk SW2 3SL $\,$

A 90 minute guided walk exploring urban green space in Streatham North, with IEL, funded by TFL

FREE Booking: www.eventbrite.co.uk-679471817497



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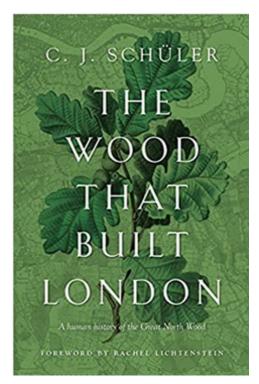
Unseen Vauxhall 2 - More Vanished and More Unnoticed

Walk

TIME: 2.00pm

- meet at Vauxhall Bus Station, SW8 2LN

Whose private railway station was in Vauxhall? Where was the first free lending library in Vauxhall? Who invoked the wrath of anti-vivisectionists? These and other burning questions will be answered in Unseen Vauxhall 2 £12 Booking: www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/665669875517



Wednesday 13th September

Clapham Old Town

Walk

TIME: 2.30pm

- meet at St Paul/s Church, Rectory Grove, SW4 0DX Gillian Robinson will take a fresh look at Clapham Old Town, The Polygon and parts of North Side. Looking at some of the oldest buildings in the area as well as hearing about some famous and infamous residents! The walk will finish near Clapham Common Underground Station.

FREE. Booking essential: thenightingales95@gmail.com



Thursday 14th - Saturday 30th September

The Living House

Exhibition

TIME: 12.00- 6.00pm

Wednesdays to Sundays only

Van Gogh House London, 87 Hackford Road, SW9 0RE

The Living House celebrates 150 years since Van Gogh lived in South London with a dynamic group exhibition and events programme exploring the idea that his boarding house is still alive and inhabited

£4 for Lambeth residents during September Booking: https://vangoghhouse.co.uk

(note: exhibition continues until 17 December when standard entry is £7.50)





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Saturday 16th September

Herne Hill Heritage Trail: Central

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Walk TIME: 10.00am
- meet at Herne Hill Velodrome, Entrance in Burbage
Road SE21 7AF

We begin at Herne Hill Velodrome, the oldest extant cycle track in the UK; used for the 1948 Olympics, and still active today. We shall pass a sports field that has its own war memorial, a grand viaduct, a house that has had three distinguished residents but has only two plaques, and a hidden folly. We shall finish at the Grafton Ballroom. FREE. Booking: noticeboard@hernehillsociety.org.uk

Saturday 16th September

Gothic revival, West Norwood Cemetery

Talk and Walk TIME: 2.00pm to 3.45pm

- meet at Main entrance, West Norwood Cemetery This talk and guided walk will explore the achievements of the architect responsible for the Gothic revival

FREE. Booking essential due to limited places: https://SirWilliamTitewalkandtalk.eventbrite.co.uk



Sunday 17th and Wednesday 20th September

Incredible Edible Lambeth guided walks

Walk TIME: 11.00am

- meet at Streatham Memorial Gardens

A 90 minute guided walk exploring urban green space in Streatham South, with IEL, funded by TFL FREE Booking: www.eventbrite.co.uk -679521064797



Sunday 17th September

Tracing the River Effra

Walk

- meet outside Brixton Police Station, 367 Brixton Road SW9 7DD

TIME: 2.30pm

Tracing the course of the buried River Effra upstream from Brixton Road through the former Effra Farm to the end of Dulwich Road. Those who can resist the temptations of the Herne Hill Sunday market are welcome to return with us via Railton Road.

FREE Booking essential www.brixtonsociety.org.uk/

Monday 18th September

Charlie Chaplin in Kennington

Talk TIME: 6.45pm Durning Library, 167 Kennington Lane, SETT 4HF

Martin Humphries of the Cinema Museum tells how Charles Chaplin was brought up in poverty in Kennington, mainly by his mother, a music hall performer.

We see some of his homes (including the workhouse, now home to the Museum), and Chaplin's own home movie of himself revisiting Kennington in the 1950's.

FREE Booking essential: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/663674908517



Sunday 17th September

Urban sketching with the Brixton Society

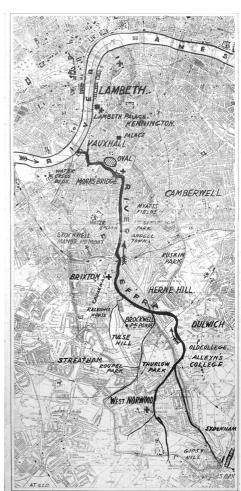
Event

TIME: 10.00am to 12.00pm

- meet in Brixton Station Road

Whether you are experienced or a first-timer at urban sketching, join two Brixton Society members for some pointers and hear about the history of what you want to draw. No pressure or prizes, just a lovely opportunity to come together and have a go at sketching with a little bit of history included. Bring a small sketchbook or clipboard and paper, pencil and rubber, and any other materials you need.

FREE to register, email: sketch@brixtonsociety.org.uk





Monday 18th September

WINDRUSH 75: A Lambeth Story

Tour TIME: 11.00am

- meet Windrush Square SW2 IJX

A 90 minute guided tour dedicated to the Windrush Pioneers who arrived at Tilbury on 22 June 1948, 75 years ago, to help rebuild Britain after the 2nd World War. Many who were housed in the deep underground shelter at Clapham South, came to the Labour Exchange in Coldharbour Lane; many settled in Brixton.

From Windrush Square, we will walk in their footsteps to Coldharbour Lane and Somerleyton Road.

The Windrush Generation has a strong legacy; this is their story!

£8 Booking: https://bit.ly/WindrushWalk



Tuesday 19th and Sunday 24th September

Reel Waterloo - A Film and Cinema Walk!

Walk TIME: 10.30am

- meet Waterloo and Southbank

From Genevieve and Dr Who to Pride and Mission Impossible the area around Waterloo and the Southbank is home to multiple film locations but the streets of SEI hold a much richer history of films and cinema going from the disappearing Music Halls to the 'pop ups' of today; on a walk led by Chris Everett

£6.50 Booking: https://bit.ly/ReelWaterloo



Wednesday 20th September

Robert Marnock

- Giant of 19th Century Gardening

Talk

TIME: 7.30pm

St Leonard's Church, Tooting Bec Gardens, Streatham, London SW16 IHS

A 90 minute illustrated talk by Dr Brent Elliott (Author of Victorian Gardens), part of the Garden Trust programme celebrating Marnock in 2023. Marnock designed private gardens including Park Hill Streatham, public parks, and cemeteries.

FREE Booking not required donations welcome Info: streathamsoc@gmail.com

Wednesday 20th and Saturday 23rd September

Waterloo on Film

Film

TIME: 11 00am

British Film Institute, Theatre Avenue off Belvedere Road SEI 8XT

A two hour exclusive viewing opportunity of the Mediatheque's archive of films relating to Waterloo and South London

FREE Booking essential https://www.eventbrite.com/e/waterloo-on-film-tickets-667409990247





Wednesday 20th September

Incredible Edible Lambeth guided walk

Walk

TIME: 6.00pm

- meet at Streatham Memorial Gardens For full details see Sunday 17th

FREE Booking: www.eventbrite.co.uk-679521064797

Friday 22nd September

Bat Walk in West Norwood Cemetery

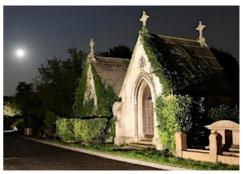
Walk

TIME: 7.00pm

- meet at the main gate West Norwood Cemetery, Norwood Road, SE27 9|U

Join Dr. Iain Boulton for a unique opportunity to look and listen for the local bat colony as it makes its daily dusk feeding flights into West Norwood Cemetery. The walk is commissioned by the ongoing West Norwood Cemetery Heritage Lottery Project

FREE but booking essential due to limited places: https://westnorwoodcemeterybatwalk.eventbrite.co.uk



Saturday 23rd September

Herne Hill Heritage Trail: South

Walk TIME: 10.00am

- meet All Saints' Church, Entrance in Lovelace Road SE21 8JY

We start at the Lovelace Road entrance of All Saints' Church, the only Grade I listed building in our area, walk down Rosendale Road, passing four model houses possibly designed for the Ideal Home Exhibition in the mid-1920s, two schools, a former dairy, and a Grade 2 listed railway bridge (the central arch of which is an ellipsis) and finishing at the Bullfinch Brewery. This walk is downhill all the way.

FREE. Booking: noticeboard@hernehillsociety.org.uk



Saturday 23rd September

Unseen Vauxhall – the Vanished and the Unnoticed

Walk

TIME: I I.00am

- meet Vauxhall Bus Station, SW8 2LN For full details see Tuesday 5th

£12 Booking: www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/665672282717

Saturday 23rd September

Unearthed Collective

Exhibition

TIME: 10.00am- 5.00pm

Open Wednesday to Sunday till Sunday 1st October Studio Voltaire, 1a Nelsons Row, Clapham SW4 7JR

Unearthed Collective is a group of people who meet monthly at Studio Voltaire to investigate Clapham's community and history through the lens of creative practice. This exhibition sheds light on overlooked histories, highlighting spaces for community gathering, and exploring how these spaces have influenced our neighbourhood as we know it today.

Supported by Historic England.

FREE: no booking required.

Contact: participation@studiovoltaire.org



Saturday 23rd and Sunday 24th September

Guided Tours of Brixton Windmill

Tour TIME: 1.00pm to 5.00pm Brixton Windmill, 100 Blenheim Gardens, SW2 5DA

Visit this wonderful reminder of Brixton's rural past. Discover the two mills in one and learn about the Ashby family, who produced flour at Brixton from 1816-1934. Refreshments, exhibition, Windmill Shop, toilets.

FREE. Booking essential: www.brixtonwindmill.org/visit

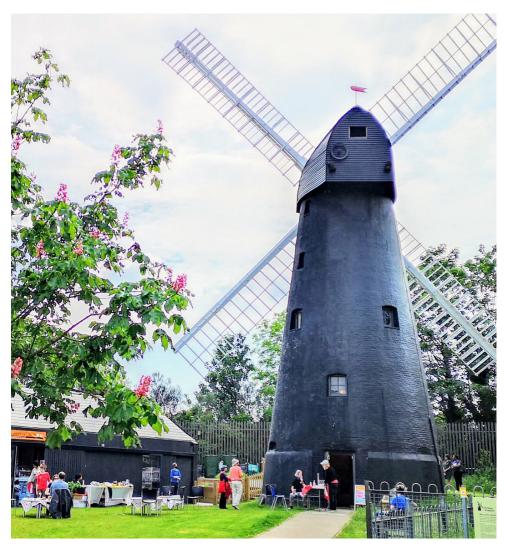
Sunday 24th September

Harvest Festival

Event TIME: 1.00pm- 5.00pm Brixton Windmill. 100 Blenheim Gardens. SW2 5DA

This free family festival will celebrate the annual wheat harvest and the histories and crafts of milling and artisan bread making with live music, food and beer. Craft workshops and games for all.

FREE Information: www.brixtonwindmill.org





Sunday 24th September

Henry Tate Gardens

Walk TIME: 2.00pm and 3.00pm

- meet at Henry Tate Mews, Streatham Common North SW16 3HA

Two guided walks in the grounds of the mansion by Robert Doyle (2.00pm) & John W Brown (3.00pm) of the Streatham Society

Park Hill was built in c.1830 by William Leaf a banker and silk merchant. Henry Tate, the sugar magnate, lived here from 1885. A philanthropist and art collector, he opened his gallery here to the public once a year and later donated most of his collection to the Tate Gallery, which he established in London. St Michael's Convent later occupied the site which is now a private residential site

£5 donation

Booking: tinyurl.com/streathamSocEventbite Info: streathamsoc@gmail.com

Sunday 24th September

Stockwell Green

Walk

TIME: 2.30pm

- meet outside Costcutter, The Quadrant, Stockwell Green SW9 9JF

The oldest hamlet in the Brixton area once had two breweries, two places of worship, two schools, and three pubs; and what happened to the village green? Find out in this gentle, Sunday afternoon walk.

FREE Booking essential www.brixtonsociety.org.uk/ events

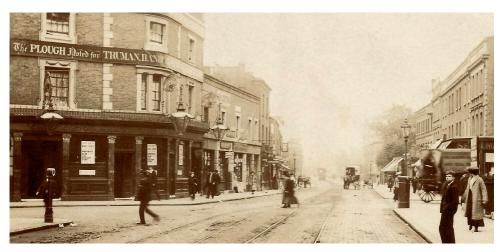
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Wednesday 27th September

Herne Hill's Station Square

On-line Talk by Zoom

TIME: 6.00pm

Herne Hill today owes its existence to the railway and the arrival of Herne Hill Station in 1862. This talk by Laurence Marsh covers the area now known as Station Square and will look at the station and the shops around it, the shopkeepers, their families and social history of 100 and more years ago.

FREE Book at: https://stationsquare.eventbrite.co.uk



Wednesday 27th September

The Art of Papercutting Workshop

Tour and workshop TIME: 6.00pm 575 Wandsworth Road, London SW8 3|D

Create your own papercut artworks in this workshop led by Chloe Campbell. The evening includes a tour of the unique house and work of art, 575 Wandsworth Road. Chloe will guide you through the art of papercutting, using the home as inspiration. There is a maximum of six places so book your place now. All materials are provided.

£50 for 2-hour workshop Booking: https://shorturl.at/gpLR4 Contact: info@chloecampbellart.com 07873726043

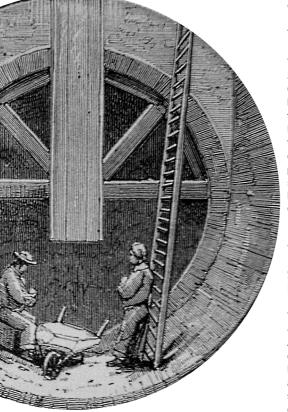


South London's Underground Rivers: a cycle tour

Tour TIME: 2.00pm

- meet at Clapham Junction, finishes at Vauxhall Bridge
A tour led by Jon Newman exploring the landscapes
of the Falcon Brook, the Heathwall, the Effra and the
Earl's Sluice, which all vanished into sewers in the 1860s,
and revealing what can still be read in the lie of the land,
surviving river trees and street furniture. Eight miles of
easy to moderate cycling, including some main roads.

FREE Booking essential https://undergroundrivers.eventbrite.co.uk



Friday 29th September

Welcome to West Dulwich

Walk

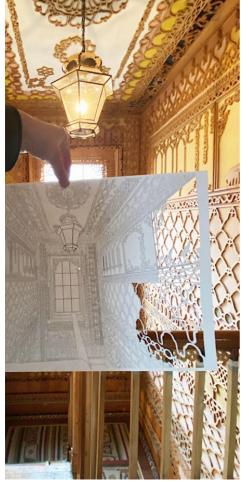
TIME: 11.15am

- meet at West Dulwich Station, Thurlow Park Road London SE21 $8\mbox{HN}$

For full details see Friday 8th

£12

Booking: www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/527960663557



Saturday 30th September

Unseen Vauxhall 2 - More Vanished and More Unnoticed

Walk

TIME: I I.00am

- meet at Vauxhall Bus Station, SW8 2LN

For full details see Tuesday 12th

£12

Booking: www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/665671490347

Saturday 30th September

Incredible Edible Lambeth guided walks

Walk

TIME: I I.00pm

- meet at Doodle Bug Garden, Wavertree Rd SW2 3SL For full details see Tuesday 12th

FREE Booking: www.eventbrite.co.uk -679471817497



All Month

A self guided digital walk of Heritage Lottery restored monuments in West Norwood Cemetery

Walk

West Norwood Cemetery, entrance on corner of Norwood Road and Robson Road, London SE27 9DQ Discover the 14 'at risk' monuments being restored under the current National Heritage Lottery Fund project. Download the Go Jauntly app, search 'NHLF West Norwood Cemetery' and use the self-guided instructions to uncover, at your own pace, the cemetery's glorious heritage landscape as well as the hidden histories of these monuments.

FREE Download http://www.gojauntly.com/

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A NEW LAMBETH ARCHIVES





COMING VERY SOON TO BRIXTON HILL...

Lambeth Archives will be re-opening at 16 Brixton Hill in the late autumn. Our new archive building has finally been completed and handed over to us and we are now completing the final stages of testing and preparation prior to moving two kilometres of our shelved records into their new home. The oldest documents in our collection have been in the Minet Library for the last one hundred and thirty three years. We hope that they are as excited about their move into new purpose-built premises as we are, and we look forward to welcoming you into our space very soon.

Lambeth Archives 16, Brixton Hill, London SW2 1ET archives@lambeth.gov.uk



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