

Friends of St Barbe PROGRAMME 2015

Non-members are welcome to attend FoSB talks

Friday 9th January New Forest: Ponds, Puddles and Paths

Lymington Community Centre
Refreshments 7.00pm
Talk 7.30pm
Non-members £5



Pete Gilbert is a well-known and successful local artist who is passionate about the New Forest landscape. He will be painting while also talking about his work and the inspiration he found in the watery aspects of the Forest to create the January St Barbe Gallery exhibition.

Friday 6th February Fish and Chips Quiz

Lymington Community Centre 7.00pm to 9.30pm
Informal quiz evening for *Friends* and friends of *Friends*.
Choice of fish, chicken or vegetarian burger and chips.
Remember to bring your own drinks and glasses.
Tickets £10 members and £12 guests.
On sale in the St Barbe Museum shop.
Book your place and meal choice by Friday 30th January

Friday 6th March Marine and More

Lymington Community Centre
Refreshments 7.00pm
Talk 7.30pm
Non-members £5

An illustrated talk looking at the art of Elizabeth Smith, who is president of the Royal Society of Marine Artists. Much of her marine work is perhaps best described as coastal landscape, for which her greatest sources of inspiration are the varied coastline and tidal rivers of Great Britain. In addition to her many marine paintings, her subjects also include general landscapes and still-life work, both of which will be included in the talk. Pastel is her favoured medium and her talk will also follow a painting through from the initial sketch to the finished piece.



Friday 10th April Leslie Moffat Ward: Bournemouth Painter and Teacher

Lymington Community Centre
Refreshments 7.00pm
Talk 7.30pm
Non-members £5

Peter Davies is the author of the book 'Art in Poole and Dorset' in which Leslie Ward was covered. He is also a printmaker and painter and is a member of Poole Printmakers. His talk will outline Leslie Ward's whole career and will put him in the context of the lively inter-war and mid-century Dorset art scene. Peter will look at Ward's impressionistic landscape work alongside that of some of his colleagues and contemporaries in Bournemouth and Poole.



Thursday 23rd April Friends Exhibition Preview An English Idyll: Paintings and Prints by Leslie Moffat Ward

St Barbe Gallery
6.00pm to 8.00pm
(note start time)

Friends Members only



Friday 8th May Capability Brown's Kitchen Gardens

Lymington Community Centre
Refreshments 7.00pm
Talk 7.30pm
Non-members £5

Susan Campbell is the leading authority on the history of walled kitchen gardens and her recent work has included researching Colgrims on the Solent shore at Sowley. Her talk will tell us how Capability Brown started out as a gardener's boy, married the boss's daughter at Stowe and became the foremost landscape gardener of the eighteenth century, sought after by the aristocracy.



LYMINGTON OPEN GARDENS

Sunday 31st May

Gardens open from 2.00 to 6.00pm Teas will be available
Entry programme (£6) from the museum shop or gardens on the day

The fourth Open Gardens Sunday organised by Friends of St Barbe returns with a mixture of new gardens and favourites from previous years. Large or small, formal or informal, all of these gardens reflect the interests and talents of their owners.

Friday 5th June How to Trace the History of Your House

Lymington Community Centre
Refreshments 7.00pm
Talk 7.30pm
Non-members £5



Being a 'House Detective' is all about tracking down information, following clues, looking at the evidence and piecing the story together. An archivist from the Hampshire Record Office will explain the most important records to use, with examples from OS maps, building plans, sale particulars, photographs and deeds, through to census returns and rate books. A few special cases of converted buildings will be included, such as public houses, parsonages and schools.

Friday 3rd July The Hanging Committee

Lymington Community Centre
Refreshments 7.00pm
Talk 7.30pm
Non-members £5



Swanage-based contemporary artist and lecturer Bonnie Brown is one of the judges for the St Barbe Annual Open Art Exhibition. She has, some might say bravely, agreed to come and talk and take questions about her art practice and particularly about entering and judging art competitions. Here is your chance to find out what happens behind the scenes when pictures are chosen and prizes are awarded.

Thursday 23rd July
St Leonard's Grange
Great Barn

Guided Visit starts at 4.00pm
 Friends Members only
 Entry by pre-paid ticket (£5)
 from the museum shop



The Beaulieu Estate has kindly given permission for The Friends of St Barbe to visit the impressive ruin of this medieval great barn, which was the grange for the Beaulieu Abbey Cistercian lay brothers. Nearby is the ruin of St Leonard's Chapel. Dr Michael Wilson, an independent historian, will guide our visit to both.

Friday 4th September
Shorelines: Artists on
the South Coast

Lymington Community Centre
 Refreshments 7.00pm
Talk 7.30pm
 Fund-raising event
 Friends members £3
 Non-members £6



The major St Barbe Gallery exhibition for 2015 takes the channel coast as its subject, exploring the way artists from the 18th century until now have drawn inspiration from the cliffs, beaches, marshes and harbours of the south coast.

Curators Dr Gill Clarke MBE and Steve Marshall will explore the responses of a diverse group of artists to these varied south coast landscapes. Their talk will focus on seaside holidays, defence and wartime, the working coast, storms and safe havens. Artists to be featured include Constable, Turner, Nash, Ravilious, Burra and contemporary painters such as Kurt Jackson.



Friday 2nd October
Mapping Lymington

Lymington Community Centre
 Refreshments 7.00pm
Talk 7.30pm
 Non-members £5



Geraldine Beech was a professional archivist working at the National Archives dealing with everything from medieval legal plans to maps for the Suez Campaign. Geraldine will talk about the development of maps of towns, from insets on John Speed's county maps up to modern digital maps on the Web. Between the two she will include individual commercial map-makers, Admiralty charts, tithe maps and the Ordnance Survey with particular reference to maps of Lymington and the surrounding area.

Friday 6th November
Flying Boats
of Southampton

Lymington Community Centre
 Refreshments 7.00pm
Talk 7.30pm
 Non-members £5



Colin van Geffen is a well-known speaker who has given many talks on local subjects as well as being a self-taught artist. His talk will recall the Golden Years of the Commercial Flying Boat era when the Southampton Empire Flying Boats led the world from 1913 to their swansong in the 1950s and later. It is interesting to note that at the time of the Battle of Britain flying boats from Poole were the only connection we had by air with the rest of the world because all other airlines had been grounded.

Friday 4th December
St Barbe Christmas Reception

Mulled wine and nibbles in the museum organised by FoSB and an opportunity to catch up on St Barbe news.



Museum Director Mark Tomlinson will talk about the future of St Barbe Museum. He and John Ward, Chairman of FoSB, will give an update on forthcoming events for 2016.

6.00pm to 7.30pm Recommended donation £5
 Friends members, Volunteers and Trustees only

17th January to 28th February
Pete Gilbert: New Forest: Ponds, Puddles & Paths

7th March to 18th April
The Royal Society of Marine Artists

25th April to 6th June
An English Idyll: Leslie Moffat Ward

13th June to 25th July
16th Annual St Barbe Open Exhibition

1st August to 12th September
The Royal Society of Painter Printmakers (RE)

19th September to 9th January 2015
Shorelines: Artists on the South Coast

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Events and Exhibitions

plus

Discounted admission to

New Forest Museum and Bucklers Hard Maritime Museum

GOLD MEMBERSHIP

also includes

Invitation to all private views

Free access to all Gallery talks and events
FOR MEMBER AND ONE ACCOMPANIED GUEST

Joint Gold Membership includes a second household member with the same benefits

Membership donations

Adult £18 Family £33 Concession £15
GOLD £50 JOINT GOLD £75

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