
Lincolnshire's Great Exhibition 2015

The Historic Lincoln Trust, Lincoln Cathedral and The Collection are delighted to announce a programme of special events during August and September linked to *Lincolnshire's Great Exhibition*.

❖ Lecture series at The Collection

Enjoy an evening talk by guest lecturers and an opportunity to see the exhibition in The Collection 'after hours'.

Thursday 13 August - *Double bill*

Magna Carta: Did she die in vain? - guest lecturer [Dr Jessica Nelson](#)

This talk will look at the differences between the 1215 and 1225 versions of Magna Carta, both currently on display as part of the Great Exhibition, and then explore how Magna Carta was used by people across the social scale to defend their rights and liberties.

Dr Jessica Nelson is Principal Medieval Records Specialist at The National Archives where she has worked for 8 years.

Magna Carta & Parliament - guest lecturer [David Prior](#)

This illustrated lecture will examine the relationship between Magna Carta and Parliament from 1215 to the present day.

David Prior is Head of Public Services and Outreach at the Parliamentary Archives. He has worked in the heritage and archives sector for over 25 years and has curated several major exhibitions and displays relating to Parliamentary anniversaries.

Wednesday 26 August

The Luttrell Psalter in Context – guest lecturer [Dr Kathleen Doyle](#)

The lecture will discuss the Psalter in the context of other English illuminated Psalters of the period, and will focus on the illustration, with lots of images from the manuscript.

Dr Kathleen Doyle is the Lead Curator, Illuminated Manuscripts at the British Library. Kathleen collaborated on the AHRC-funded Royal Manuscripts project with Dr Scot McKendrick.

Wednesday 16 September

Tennyson, poet of Lincolnshire – guest lecturer [Professor Leonee Ormond](#)

Alfred Tennyson was born in Somersby and lived there during the formative years of his early life.

The lecture will consider the very considerable effect of the wolds and of the Lincolnshire coast upon his poetry.

Professor Leonee Ormond is Professor Emerita of Victorian Studies at King's College London. She is a specialist in nineteenth-century literature, Alfred Lord Tennyson, J.M. Barrie and George Bernard Shaw.

Lectures start at 7.00pm in The Collection Auditorium, Lincoln and will be followed by an opportunity to view the exhibition until 9.00pm. Ticket price: £12 per person for each lecture (including a glass of wine).

❖ Exclusive evening tours in the Medieval and Wren Libraries at Lincoln Cathedral

During *Lincolnshire's Great Exhibition*, there will be two 'exclusive' evening opportunities to visit the Medieval and Wren Libraries at Lincoln Cathedral - one of the four venues hosting the exhibition this summer.

Each event will offer 25 visitors special evening access to the exhibits in the libraries, in the company of a knowledgeable guide, followed by a glass of wine or fruit juice in the Cathedral cloisters. All guests will also receive a goody-bag, which amongst other items, will include a Pilgrim Badge, specially commissioned by the Historic Lincoln Trust for 2015.

The evening events will take place on Wednesday 19 August, and Tuesday 15 September, from 6.30 – 8.00pm. Ticket price £15 per person for each event. Please note that the Cathedral's libraries can only be accessed by a flight of stairs, and there are no alternative access arrangements at this time. The events are hosted by Lincoln Cathedral in association with the Historic Lincoln Trust.

❖ Exclusive 'after hours' viewing at The Collection

Enjoy a glass of wine and an introductory talk by a senior curator, followed by a viewing of *Lincolnshire's Great Exhibition* at The Collection.

The two evening events will take place on Wednesday 5 August and Monday 21 September, from 6.30 – 8.00pm. Ticket price £8 per person for each event. Each evening will be limited to 100 people.

Booking - Please book tickets for all events in advance by contacting The Collection, Lincoln on 01522 782040, or in person

Lincolnshire's Great Exhibition runs from 27 June to 27 September 2015 across four venues in Lincoln – The Collection, Usher Gallery, Wren Library at Lincoln Cathedral, and Lincoln Castle. For more details on opening times and ticketed venues please go to www.historiclincolntrust.org.uk

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