

EVENTS 2022 – January to June

THURSDAY **6** JANUARY

Why Maidstone? Why Not Aylesford?

Talk by Paul Oldham – historian, archaeologist and former MBC Councillor

Why did Maidstone emerge as the key centre in Mid Kent when in early times there was much focus on Aylesford – principally because of the Priory?

THURSDAY **3** FEBRUARY

The Forgotten Symbols of Kent

Talk by Dr James Lloyd – Archivist at the Royal College of Arms

Since the eighteenth century, the White Horse has been the symbol of Kent par excellence – but in earlier centuries several other coats-of-arms were associated with the county, some of which still survive, though in unexpected ways.

THURSDAY **3** MARCH

Kent and Maidstone – Their Story in Folk

A musical evening with Kent song collective

Friends: **£7.50** Guests: **£10**

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MAIDSTONE**

THURSDAY  APRIL

Why Egypt Inspires the Modern Imagination

Talk by Fiona Deal – author and historian

She considers what led the ancient Egyptians to mummify the dead, and explores many of the mysteries of antiquity – the gaps between what is known in the historical record that provide such fertile soil for a novelist.

THURSDAY  MAY

Changing Rooms Through the Ages

Talk by a local historian and tour guide

The Talk looks at the development of the kitchen, living room, bathroom and bedroom from 1066 to 2022. Changes of room designs are identified and celebrated.

THURSDAY  JUNE

Japanese Art of the Edo Period at Maidstone Museum

Sam Harris – Collections Manager at Maidstone Museum

Celebrate Maidstone Museums' fascinating Japanese collection, and hear about the internationally significant artefacts donated by local collectors Henry Marsham and Marcus Samuel in the late 19th/early 20th century.

Note: This event is free.

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Bookings in advance (unless stipulated)

– please contact the Membership Secretary

info@maidstonemuseumsfriends.org.uk to advise of numbers.

Or call into the Pop-up Shop, Fremlin Walk.

Entry £5, MMF Friends £3 Tea and coffee will be provided.

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