

2 July 2017 – 21 July 2017

# Open Palace Programme

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# Welcome to the Open Palace Programme 2017

This booklet will provide you with all the day to day details you need about the programme and the timetable. It also contains a few suggestions for eating and drinking and some useful websites.

Please note that timings within sessions are a guide only and small adjustments to the timetable may sometimes be necessary.

The Open Palace Programme would like to thank all those who contributed to this year's event

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## Contacts

Throughout the programme you will have the services of a leader who is there to help you to enjoy every aspect of the experience and to solve any problems that may arise along the way. Both are heritage enthusiasts but not necessarily expert on any palace or stately home.



**Alysoun Coles**  
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Alysoun works as a freelance editor, mainly on architectural magazines, websites and social media, and trains aspiring journalists in how to improve their words. She has an interest in our built heritage and the environment and enjoys overseas travel.



**Sadie Colebank**

Sadie has 'always had a passion for history and castles, soaking up every bit of information about British history and the monarchy I have come across'. Learning about the Tudors and other members of royalty instilled in her the dream of working in the places where these famous people lived. She is a Masters student in Anthropology with Museum Training Concentration at George Washington University in America and a recipient of the Ceramics Studies Award.



The Open Palace Programme is a Glasscastle production

# Arrival

Bath Spa train station is in the centre of Bath. It is a short walk from the city's shops and attractions. There are regular train services direct from London Paddington and London Waterloo to Bath Spa, with an average journey time of around 90 minutes.



Roman Baths, Bath



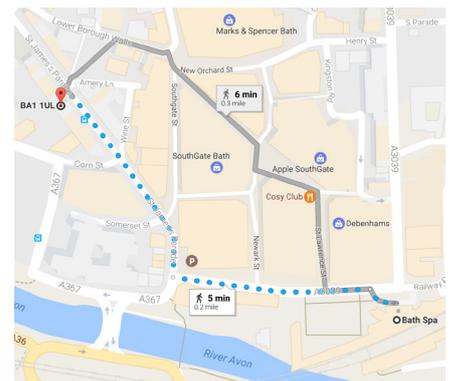
Royal Crescent, Bath. Mooretraveltips.com

## Transport and directions

Please note that on arrival in the city, all participants should head for Bath Townhouse at 19 St James Parade to be allocated a room.

### Address

19 St James Parade  
Bath BA1 1UL



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Bath Spa Station to Bath Townhouse is approximately a four-minute walk:

- Head southeast on St James's Parade toward Corn St
- Turn left onto Dorchester St/A3039 and walk up the street
- St James Parade is on the right.

### Taxis

Abbey Taxis: 01225 44 44 44  
V cars: 01225 46 46 46

## Welcome tea

A welcome tea for all participants will be held at 19 St James Parade.



Wendy Sweetser

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## Accommodation

You will be staying at Bath Townhouse or Travelodge Bath. There will be breakfast provisions at both addresses.

**Bath Townhouse** is a luxury self catering property on five floors of a beautiful Georgian town house in the centre of Bath. It has been sympathetically restored not only to enhance the original features of this 18th century building, but also to add comfort and some luxury. The interior design has a modern vintage feel.

Accommodation over five floors comprises nine bedrooms, five walk in wet rooms, two bathrooms, two fully equipped kitchens and two lounge areas – one, with a large kitchen table, seats 14, and the other eight to nine. Both lounges have wall mounted TVs, DVD players and MP3 docking stations. There is a games room in the vault with wall mounted TV, games consoles, and a sofa bed. Linen and towels are provided, wifi is free and available throughout the building. There are two washing machines and two tumble dryers.

**Note that you need to bring your own lunch to all sessions in Bath – see page 6.**



Bath Townhouse

### **Bath Townhouse**

19 St James's Parade

Bath BA1 1UL

Tel: 01225 421 683

[www.queensberryestates.co.uk/bath-townhouse-14/](http://www.queensberryestates.co.uk/bath-townhouse-14/)

### **Travelodge Bath**

Rossiter Road

Widcombe Basin

Bath BA2 4JP

[www.travelodge.co.uk/hotels](http://www.travelodge.co.uk/hotels)

# Bath

## Programme leaders

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Sadie Colebank

Archaeological evidence shows that Bath's main spring was treated as a shrine by the Celts. The Romans occupied the spot, shortly after invading Britain, until 42AD. They built baths and a temple here, and in the 7th century Bath Abbey was founded. Bath became a popular spa town in the 17th century and expanded massively in Georgian times. By 1801 it was one of the most significant centres in the country.



Pulteney Bridge

visitbath.co.uk  
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This week you will benefit from the expertise of professionals at Bath Preservation Trust and will learn about the particular approach that Bath Preservation Trust takes to the heritage challenges it encounters at its sites.



Bath Preservation Trust was founded in 1934 as a small pressure group, with the object of protecting the city's architectural heritage. The Trust exists 'to preserve for the benefit of the public the historic character and amenities of the city of Bath and its surroundings'.

The city of Bath has been accorded the status of a World Heritage Site, recognised as a place of outstanding universal significance for its rare visual integrity, its 18th century architectural quality and its landscape setting, which forms a magnificent backdrop to the city's architecture. In a city with such a wealth of heritage there are inevitably difficult challenges to be faced in reconciling the demands of a modern thriving urban centre with the exceptional level of conservation care demanded in a World Heritage Site. The 21st century has brought with it the added pressures of encroachment to the city's green belt setting. The role and influence of the Trust is needed now as much as ever.

[www.bath-preservation-trust.org.uk/](http://www.bath-preservation-trust.org.uk/)

## Itinerary

On Monday morning at 9.30 you will be met at Bath Townhouse and taken to join the Mayor of Bath's Honorary Guide, who will lead you on a tour of the city. You will be free from noon to explore Bath further for yourself.

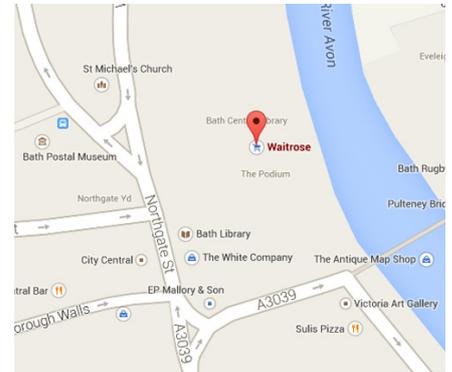
We would particularly recommend:

- 1 Bath Abbey
- 2 The Roman Baths
- 3 Holburne Museum
- 4 Museum of East Asian Art

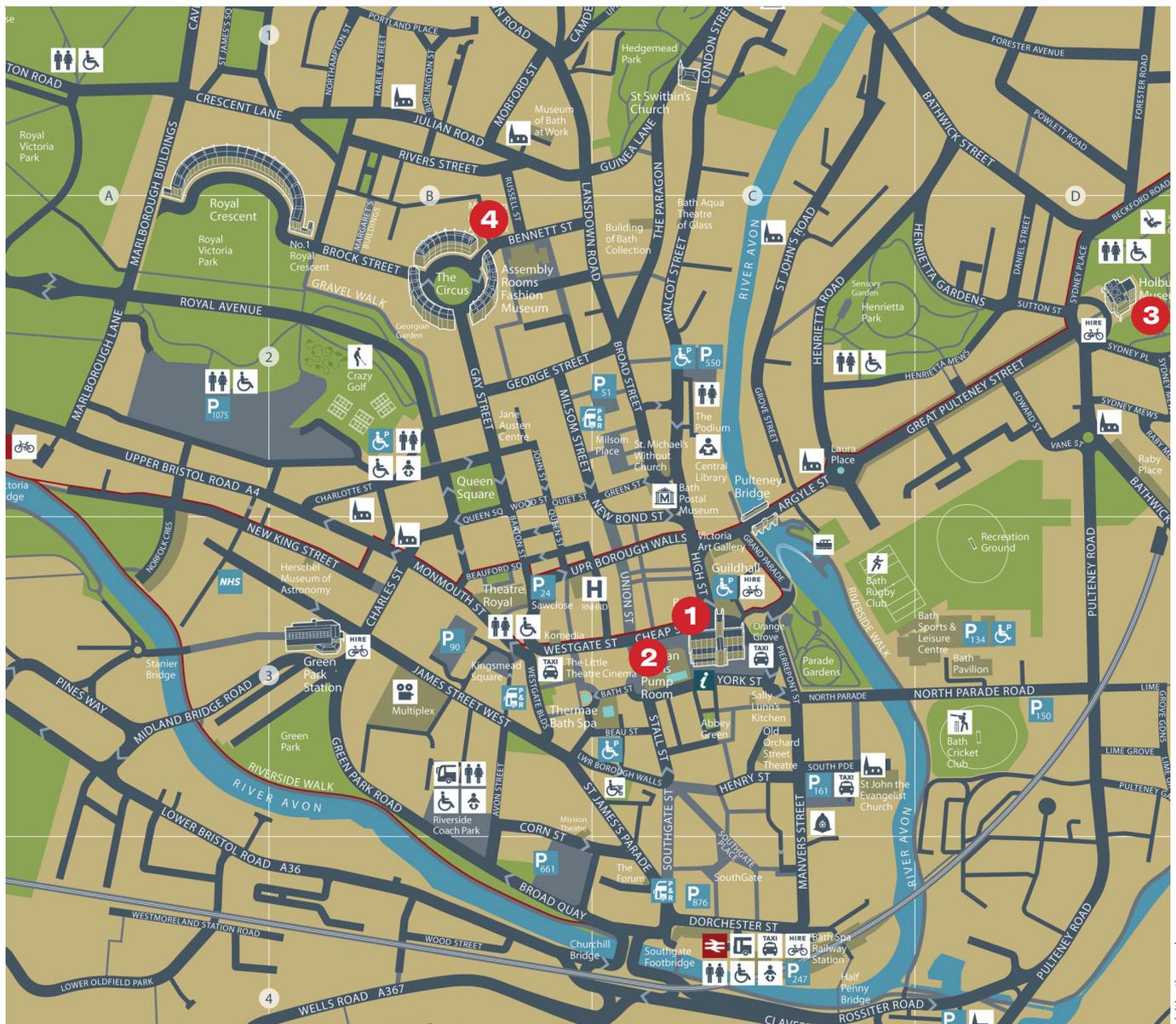
## Food in Bath

Bath has many good restaurants and cafés, and an excellent supermarket in the centre of town. You will need to bring your own lunch each day:

**Waitrose, The Podium, Northgate St**



Bath city centre

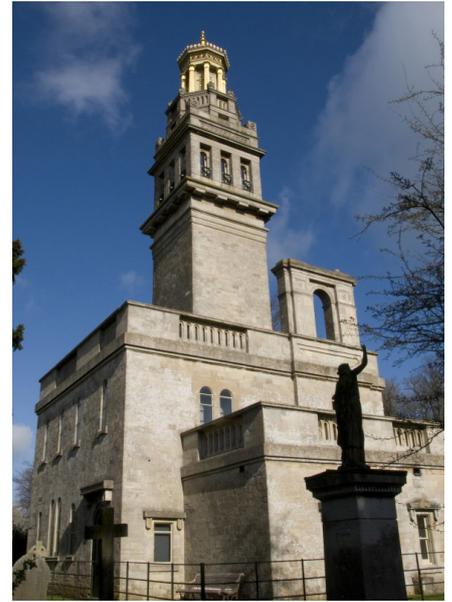


## Itinerary

On Tuesday we will meet at Bath Townhouse at 9.30 to travel to Beckford's Tower and Museum.

Don't forget to bring your lunch each day – see supermarket suggestion on page 6.

You will be free to explore the city from 14.00.



## Beckford's Tower & Museum

**Session leader** Dr Amy Frost  
Curator of Beckford's Tower  
and the Trust Collection's Manager

**Beckford's Tower & Museum**  
Lansdown Road,  
Bath BA1 9BH  
[www.beckfordstower.org.uk](http://www.beckfordstower.org.uk)

**Venue** Beckford's Tower & Museum  
**Times** 10.00-14.00

**Timetable/activity** The session will start with an introduction to the Tower building followed by a short talk on the basic history and principles of building conservation. Participants will then be split into smaller groups and each allocated a particular section of the building, which they will be asked to survey, recording any signs of decay and suggesting possible causes. Each group will then present and discuss their surveys.

**Focus** Building conservation on a shoestring



## Itinerary

On Wednesday we will meet at the Townhouse at 9.30 and will walk to The Museum of Bath Architecture, which is housed in the Countess of Huntingdon's Chapel.

You will be free to explore the city from 14.00.

## Museum of Bath Architecture

<b>Session Leader</b>	Polly Andrews Education Officer Bath Preservation Trust
<b>Venue</b>	Museum of Bath Architecture
<b>Times</b>	10.00-14.00
<b>Timetable/activity</b>	Talk on creative approaches to planning learning activities for different audiences followed by a hands-on exploration of art and craft ideas and a task (devising a workshop for a specified group of learners).
<b>Focus</b>	Learning



Bath Preservation Trust

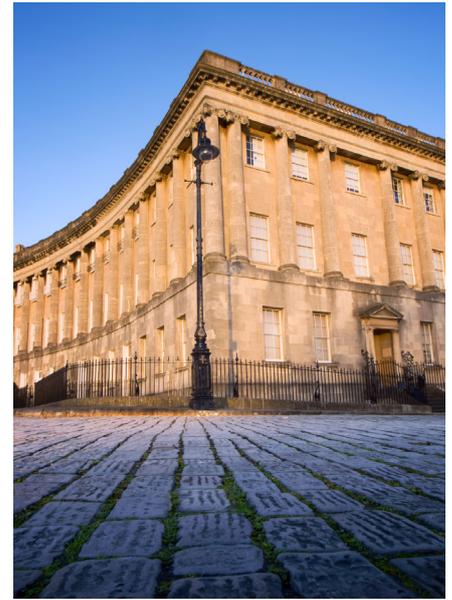
**Countess of Huntingdon's Chapel**  
The Vineyards,  
Bath BA1 5NA  
Tel: +01225 338744  
[www.museumofbatharchitecture.org.uk/](http://www.museumofbatharchitecture.org.uk/)



Google maps

## Itinerary

On Thursday we will meet at the Townhouse at 9.00 and we will walk to Number 1 Royal Crescent together. This restored Georgian town house and museum sits at one end of John Wood the Younger's celebrated Royal Crescent.



Bath Preservation Trust

## No. 1 Royal Crescent

### Session Leader

Victoria Barwell  
Exhibition and Events Officer  
Bath Preservation Trust

### Venue Times

Number 1 Royal Crescent  
09.30-14.00

### Timetable/activity

A tour of No. 1 Royal Crescent will conclude with a walk around the exhibition gallery. We will then walk to the Museum of Bath Architecture for a talk on the complexities of organising, designing and delivering a temporary exhibition in a small museum. The talk will be followed by a task in which you show how you would interpret your top five objects from No. 1 Royal Crescent in its exhibition space.

### Focus

Exhibition design and interpretation



visitbath.co.uk

**1 Royal Crescent**  
Bath  
Avon BA1 2LR  
Tel: +44 1225 428126  
[www.no1royalcrescent.org.uk/](http://www.no1royalcrescent.org.uk/)



Google maps

# Stonehenge

## Programme leaders

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Sadie Colebank

The coach will arrive in the morning to take you to Stonehenge and then on to Brighton for the weekend.



Stonehenge English Heritage

[www.english-heritage.org.uk/visit/places/stonehenge/history/](http://www.english-heritage.org.uk/visit/places/stonehenge/history/)

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We expect to arrive at Stonehenge around midday. You will be free to explore the site and the exhibition. We will spend about three hours here.

Stonehenge is one of the world's most famous prehistoric monuments. It was built in several stages: the first was an early henge monument, built about 5,000 years ago, and the unique stone circle was erected in the late Neolithic period about 2500 BC. In the early Bronze Age many burial mounds were built nearby. Today, along with the stone circle at Avebury, it forms the heart of a World Heritage Site, with a unique concentration of prehistoric monuments.

Stonehenge recently underwent a £27 million renovation funded by the Heritage Lottery Fund. With the attraction welcoming around one million visitors every year, English Heritage helped to 'restore the dignity' of the site with an award-winning new visitor centre, designed by architect Denton Corker Marshall.

# Brighton

## Programme leaders

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Sadie Colebank

At 14.00 we will continue our journey to Brighton and should arrive in the early evening. We will settle into our accommodation at Brighton Seafront Travelodge, and then you will be free to explore this charming seaside city.

Brighton is full of interesting places to eat; some are recommended below.

The history of Brighton is a fascinating one. From a sleepy fishing village, it turned over the centuries into a bustling metropolis and famous seaside destination. A key turning point in Brighton's social history occurred when Prince George – later to become Prince Regent and then George IV – decided to make his home in the city in 1783. As a result, Brighton's popularity soared and the seeds were sown for it to become a fashionable seaside destination. The town underwent an amazing transformation: many of its famous Regency squares and crescents were built and the Royal Pavilion was transformed into an extravagant palace. Brighton is bursting with other attractions as well – interesting museums, a beautiful beach and fascinating independent shops. Stretching into the sea is the neon-lit Brighton Pier. Government figures reveal Brighton as the most popular UK seaside destination for foreign tourists; over 400,000 overseas visitors stayed at least one night in the city in 2013.



Brighton Pier

[www.visitbritain.com/gb/en/england/southeast/brighton](http://www.visitbritain.com/gb/en/england/southeast/brighton)

[www.visitbrighton.com/your-brighton/heritage/social-history](http://www.visitbrighton.com/your-brighton/heritage/social-history)

## Recommendations for supper

**The Hanover:** Queen's Park Road. Great pizzas and salads, child friendly, nice pub.

**The Walmer Castle:** Great for large groups. Lovely food, often has good deals on weekdays (2 for 1).

**Wild Cherry:** Wonderful organic deli and café. Great for breakfast, lunch, picnics, coffee and cakes.

**The Setting Sun:** A wonderful spot for a 6 o'clock aperitif with great sunset views from the terrace at the back. Serves good food – recommend the homemade burger and chips

**HOME:** Great for breakfasts and lunches and coffee and cake.

**Shahi Tandoori:** 40-42 Beaconsfield Rd, Brighton BN1 4QH. Takeaway. Tel: 01273 626 187

## Itinerary

At 10.30am we will meet at the Travelodge to walk to The Royal Pavilion. We will spend the morning here.

Later on we will visit the Regency Town House renovation project.



Simon Martin

## The Royal Pavilion

The Royal Pavilion, built as a seaside pleasure palace for King George IV, mixes Regency grandeur with Indian and Chinese influences. The exotic building has a colourful history stretching back over 200 years. It has also served as a civic building and a First World War hospital, and has become a true icon of Brighton. The organisation which runs it, the Royal Pavilion and Museums Foundation, is responsible for all the historic buildings of Brighton & Hove City Council that are open to the public.

The foundation aims 'to build a resilient organisation, outstanding for its vibrancy and relevance, renowned for its digital innovation, and inspiring a powerful sense of shared ownership. Its work is driven by creative collaborations with local communities and cultural organisations, to reach new and more diverse audiences.' It uses its world class collections and buildings to inspire learning and creativity, help people develop new skills, improve quality of life, and make a major contribution to the local and regional visitor economy. The museums employ about 150 staff and are supported by 84 volunteers.

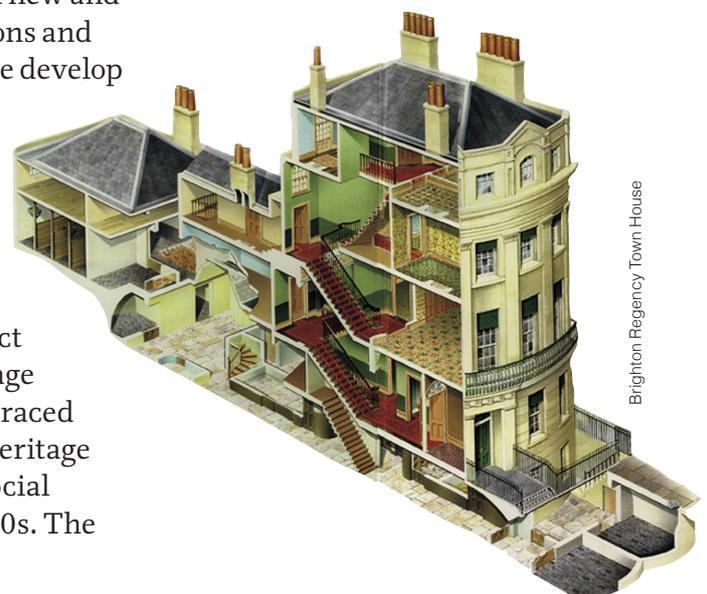


Brighton Pavilion

The Royal Pavilion  
4/5 Pavilion Buildings,  
Brighton BN1 1EE  
[www.brightonmuseums.org.uk](http://www.brightonmuseums.org.uk)

## The Regency Town House

On Saturday afternoon we will visit a renovation project which is working to make a regency home into a heritage centre. The Regency Town House is a grade I-listed terraced home of the mid-1820s which is being developed as a heritage centre and museum to focus on the architecture and social history of Brighton & Hove between the 1780s and 1840s. The house is 15-20 minutes' walk from the Royal Pavilion.



Brighton Regency Town House

## Itinerary

Today we will spend the morning in Brighton and will set off in the afternoon for nearby Lewes on the way to Oxford.



Simon Martin

## The Regency Town House

At 8.30 we will walk to the Regency Town House for a fascinating practical session on historical plaster work. Plastering is one of the most ancient building handicrafts. Historical evidence shows that primitive people plastered mud over a framework of sticks and reeds that served as early protective structures against the elements. The 17th century saw the introduction of different types of internal plasterwork and the 18th century gave rise to renewed interest in innovative external plasters. In the 19th century, various mixtures of modified gypsum plasters, such as Keene's cement, appeared. These materials were developed for use as internal wall plasters, increasing the usefulness of Plaster of Paris as they set more slowly and were easier to use.



The Regency Town House  
13 Brunswick Square  
Brighton & Hove BN3 1EH  
Tel: 01273 206306  
[www.rth.org.uk](http://www.rth.org.uk)

## Itinerary

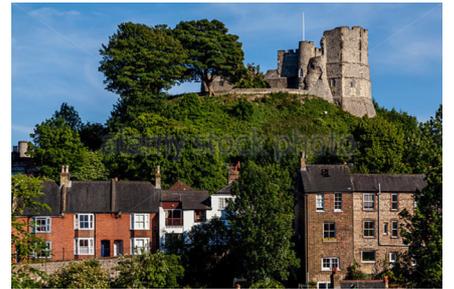
At around 12.00 we will walk back to the Travelodge and pick up our coach for the short journey to Lewes.



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## Lewes

Lewes lies at the heart of rural Sussex. Its medieval streets, old English churches and tiny twittens (a Sussex word for alleyway) allow visitors to experience the history of the town first hand. Although surrounded by chalk cliffs, the townscape is dominated by the remains of a Norman castle and is also home to the handsome townhouse of Anne of Cleves (fourth wife of King Henry VIII), which we will visit. An impressive 15th century timber framed Wealden hall-house, it was given to Anne as part of her divorce settlement from Henry VIII. This atmospheric building displays authentically furnished rooms and its garden uses traditional plants and Tudor planting. We will be given a special tour focusing on the how the building and its contents have been conserved. We will also enjoy an afternoon tea in its tudor cafe.



urban75.org



Bookshop, Lewes/urban75.org

At around 17.00 we will board our coach and depart for Windsor where we will check into the central Travelodge.



Anne of Cleves' house/  
David Ross, Britain Express

# Windsor

## Programme leaders

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Sadie Colebank

Today is spent at Windsor Castle.  
We will rejoin the coach and set off for Oxford at 17.00.



Windsor Castle. www.royal.gov.uk

## Windsor Castle

Windsor Castle is a royal residence in the county of Berkshire. It is the oldest and largest inhabited castle in the world and has been the family home of British kings and queens for almost 1,000 years. It is an official residence of Her Majesty The Queen, whose standard flies from the Round Tower when she is there.

Part of the Royal Collection is displayed at the castle. One of the largest and most important art collections in the world, it is among the last great European royal collections to remain intact. Comprising items drawn from almost all parts of the fine and decorative arts and running to more than a million objects, it is a unique and valuable record of the personal tastes of kings and queens over the past 500 years.

Following the execution of Charles I in 1649, the greater number of the King's magnificent possessions were sold by order of the Lord Protector Oliver Cromwell, and the Royal Collection has largely been formed since the Restoration of the Monarchy in 1660.

The Royal Collection is held in trust by The Queen as sovereign for her successors and the nation and is not owned by her as a private individual.



Windsor Castle. Trip Advisor

Windsor, Windsor & Maidenhead  
SL4 1NJ  
Tel: 020 7766 7304  
[www.royalcollection.org.uk/visit/windsorcastle](http://www.royalcollection.org.uk/visit/windsorcastle)

## Itinerary

We will arrive at Windsor Castle at around 10.10 to meet Richard Williams, Head of Education, at 10.30 for a session on the display and interpretation of paintings in a royal residence.

<b>Session leader</b>	Richard Williams Learning Curator
<b>Venue</b>	Windsor Castle
<b>Times</b>	10.30-14.30
<b>Timetable/activity</b>	Windsor Castle and Royal Collection Trust Visit to the State Apartments Study time in the State Apartments Workshop: display and interpretation of paintings at Windsor Castle
<b>14.30</b>	Free time to explore the site



Windsor Castle. Pinterest



Windsor Castle



Windsor Castle. Pinterest

After our session at Windsor Castle we will walk back to the Travelodge in central Windsor to meet the coach and travel on to Oxford.

During this evening and you will be free to explore Oxford from our base at **Keble College** (see page 17).

# Oxford

## Programme leaders

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You will be free to explore Oxford again this morning. Keble College is situated on the northern edge of Oxford city centre, just off Banbury Road and the northern end of St Giles. It is opposite the University science area and the University Parks. Explore Ashmolean Museum of Art and Archaeology – the first purpose built museum in England, which opened in 1683. Or wonder at the anthropology collections at the Pitt Rivers Museum.

At 2pm we join the coach at Magdalen College and depart for Stowe.



Keble College

Keble College Oxford  
Oxford OX1 3PG  
01865 272727  
[keble.ox.ac.uk/about/past](http://keble.ox.ac.uk/about/past)

## Keble College

'That new place near the Parks what's going to stop us all from saying "Damn"'. Such were the sentiments of an Oxford labourer confronted with the newly founded Keble College in the 1870s. This reputation reflected Keble's origins in a movement of ecclesiastical reform. The College was established in memory of John Keble (1792-1866), a founding member of the so-called 'Tractarian' movement which sought to recover the Catholic heritage of the Church of England. Funding for the new college was sought from Tractarian sympathisers, including the benefactor of the chapel, William Gibbs, whose family's fortune was based on Peruvian bird droppings, a valuable fertiliser. Keble College opened its doors to just 30 students in 1870, and the Chapel was opened on St Mark's Day 1876. Today it educates over 650 people.

The architect was William Butterfield, whose striking polychromatic brickwork, 'the most approved "holy zebra" style' in the eyes of its critics, served as a defiant assertion of a distinctively high church position. If it was the intention of the college's founders to create a high church seminary, its first warden, Edward Talbot, had other ideas, encouraging the teaching of science, and showing sympathy to the theory of evolution. Nor could the early students live up to the demands of 'poverty and obedience' envisaged by the founders: student life was punctuated by regular unlicensed boxing matches at which, we are told, 'the liquid refreshment was not tea'.

### White Rabbit

21 Friars Entry, Clifton, OX1 2BY  
01865 241177  
'The White Rabbit, tucked away on the alleyway connecting Gloucester Street and Cornmarket, is Oxford's best value good quality, good atmosphere pizzeria, in the guise of a hearty ole pub.'

### Alpha Bar

Covered Market, 89 Market St, Oxford OX1 3EE; 01865 250499  
'Pick up sweet potato curries, Tuscan beef stews, goulash, porcini and colourful salads for around £5 at lunch-time.'

### Mission Burrito

8 St Michael's St; 01865 202016  
'For less than £7, get yourself a huge rice, meat (or veggie), beans, salad, guacamole and cheese stuffed burrito that will fill you up for hours! It tastes good too – think that's called winning.'

### Itsu

36 Cornmarket St, Oxford OX1 3EZ  
01865 793965  
'Half price food, every day, half an hour before closing! Itsu serves sushi, ramen, miso, plus healthy snacks and drinks. They are proudly "dedicated to lower fat, lower calorie, delicious food".'

# Stowe

## Programme leaders

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Sadie Colebank

We go first to Stowe Gardens, where we will be given a guided tour of this most significant landscape, originally designed by Capability Brown.

We move on to Stowe House in the evening. You will be shown to your boarding accommodation in the school grounds and will then be free to explore. Breakfast and lunch will be available in the school.

On Wednesday night there will be a formal dinner in the house.



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Stowe House Preservation Trust,  
Stowe, Buckingham  
MK18 5EH  
Tel: +44 (0)1280 818002/  
(0)1280 818166 (24 hour)  
[www.stowe.co.uk/house/](http://www.stowe.co.uk/house/)

## Stowe house and gardens

Stowe House, created between 1677 and 1779, was built in several phases by famous designers including Vanbrugh, William Kent, Robert Adam and William Cleare who worked for Sir Christopher Wren as his chief joiner. Now a Grade I listed country house, it is the home of the independent Stowe School, and is owned by the Stowe House Restoration Trust which has spent more than £25m on its restoration. HRH Prince Charles, who has a particular interest in architecture, believes that Stowe is 'one of Britain's finest 18th century houses'.

The gardens are owned by the National Trust. In the 1710s and '20s Charles Bridgeman and John Vanburgh designed an English Baroque park for the house. This was developed in the 1730s by William Kent and James Gibbs, working with Bridgeman, and more temples were added. Stowe began to evolve into a series of natural pictures, to be appreciated from a perambulation rather than from a central point. Lancelot 'Capability' Brown was head gardener from 1741 to 1751, during which time Bridgeman's Octagonal Pond and Eleven Acre Lake were given a 'natural' shape, as was now the fashion.



Palladian Bridge. National Trust



Grotto over River Styx

## Itinerary

Today is spent at Stowe House and landscape gardens and includes a formal dinner at the house itself.

At Stowe you will benefit from the expertise of professionals at Stowe Preservation Trust and will learn about the particular approach that the Trust takes to the heritage challenges it encounters at its unique sites. Its long term goal is to return the site to its former glory. In the short term, this involves restoring the house so that it becomes, as it was designed, the principal temple in Stowe's gardens, and in re-uniting and restoring the gardens. Longer term, the Trust, the school and the National Trust will work together to further the restoration of Stowe as a historic masterpiece.



darkbluesband.blogspot.co.uk

### Session leaders

Nick Morris  
Operations Director, Stowe School  
CEO, Stowe House  
Anna McEvoy, House Custodian

### Venue

Stowe Palace

### Times

9.00-17.00

### Timetable/activity

How to engage members of the public in the restoration of the State Dining Room, from fundraising, through the restoration process, to the final interpretation

The day will start with a guided tour of Stowe House with Anna, followed by introduction to challenges at Stowe by Nick Morris. After lunch there will be a group challenge with presentations from the groups to close the afternoon.

19.00

Formal dinner



Music Room, stowe.co.uk



Stowe House, detail

# Woburn

## Programme leaders

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Sadie Colebank

After an 8.00 breakfast at Stowe we leave for Woburn.



## Session Leader

Matthew Hirst  
Curator Woburn Abbey

## Venue

Woburn Abbey

## Timetable/ activity:

10.00 Introduction by Matthew Hirst and task set  
11.00-15.00 Group tasks and site explored  
15.00-16.00 Presentations and discussion

**Focus:** Collections management and interpretation



# London

## Programme leaders

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Sadie Colebank

After breakfast we will leave Woburn for London by coach. We will arrive late morning at International Hall where you will be able to store your bags; rooms will be available for check-in later that afternoon. From around midday you will be free for the entire weekend to explore London for yourself.

## Useful websites

- [www.culture24.org.uk/home](http://www.culture24.org.uk/home)
- [www.visitlondon.com/](http://www.visitlondon.com/)
- [www.londontourist.org/](http://www.londontourist.org/)
- [www.london-tourist-guide.com/](http://www.london-tourist-guide.com/)
- <https://tfl.gov.uk> (transport info)

## Travel and accommodation

International Hall forms part of an impressive terrace overlooking an attractive square in historic Bloomsbury. The hall is centrally located, within walking distance of a host of attractions. The nearest underground stations are Russell Square and King's Cross.

All rooms have a chair, work desk and a wardrobe. Wi-Fi is available in all common areas and bedrooms. English or continental breakfast is served between 8.00 and 9.00. A pantry on each floor contains a sink, kettle, microwave and a fridge. Cards can be collected at reception to operate the launderette.

Bloomsbury is the literary and academic district of central London, historically patronised by celebrated writers and artists, including the novelist Virginia Woolf, poet TS Eliot, and artist Roger Fry. At its centre sits Russell Square, named for the Russell family of the 17th and 18th centuries whose investment transformed the area into the fashionable residential and cultural locale it is today. As well as being the city's largest and most famous scholarly area, the proximity of the West End's theatres, cinemas, shopping attractions, and other landmarks make Bloomsbury well placed for entertainment. The trendy bars, cafés and restaurants that line the streets all contribute to the lively, friendly and diverse atmosphere of the area, while internationally renowned institutions like the British Museum and the British Library are within a stone's throw.



International Hall

International Hall,  
Lansdowne Terrace  
London WC1N 1AS  
[http://halls.london.ac.uk/  
international-hall](http://halls.london.ac.uk/international-hall)



## Weekly programme

Over the next week you will visit the Tower of London, Kensington Palace, Hampton Court, Apsley House, Fulham Palace the British Museum. We will undertake special activities at each.

At each historic site you will benefit from the expertise of professionals and learn about their approach to their particular heritage challenges. You will have a unique opportunity to engage in a real debate about current heritage issues with key experts in the field, so your active participation in activities and discussion is vital to get the most from the programme in terms of lasting career enrichment.



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### Apsley House

149 Piccadilly, London W1J 7NT  
Tel: 0370 333 1181  
[www.english-heritage.org.uk/visit/places/apsley-house](http://www.english-heritage.org.uk/visit/places/apsley-house)

Apsley House, on Hyde Park Corner, was the London home of the first Duke of Wellington. The house has changed very little since his victory at Waterloo in 1815. Built by Robert Adam in the 1770s, it was transformed in the 1820s by the architect Benjamin Dean Wyatt. It has one of the finest art collections in London, with paintings by Velásquez and Rubens, and a superb collection of silver and porcelain. Still the London home of the ninth Duke, it has been managed by English Heritage since 2004.

### Fulham Palace

Bishop's Avenue, London SW6 6EA  
Tel: (020) 7736 3233  
[www.fulhampalace.org](http://www.fulhampalace.org)

Of medieval origin, this was once the main residence of the Bishops of London, and was their country home from at least 11th century until 1975. It is still owned by the Church of England, although managed by the London Borough of Hammersmith & Fulham and the Fulham Palace Trust. It is adjacent to Bishop's Park, houses a museum of the palace's history, and has an extensive botanical garden.

### British Library

Great Russell St,  
Bloomsbury, London WC1B 3DG  
[www.britishmuseum.org](http://www.britishmuseum.org)

Part of the British Museum until 1973, the British Library is the national library of the UK and the second largest in the world, containing over 150 million items. It is a major research library and holds a copy of every new book published in Britain plus many from abroad. Its specially built home is a grade I listed building 'of exceptional interest' for its architecture and history.

## Historic Royal Palaces



HRP is an independent charity which manages Britain's unoccupied royal palaces for the Queen. We will be visiting the three best known – Hampton Court, Kensington Palace and the Tower of London.

[www.hrp.org.uk](http://www.hrp.org.uk)

Historic Royal Palaces  
Hampton Court Palace

Historic Royal Palaces  
Kensington Palace

Historic Royal Palaces  
Tower of London

### Hampton Court Palace

East Molesey, Surrey KT8 9AU  
Tel: +44 844 482 7777  
[www.hrp.org.uk/hampton-court-palace/](http://www.hrp.org.uk/hampton-court-palace/)

This royal palace in the London Borough of Richmond upon Thames, Greater London, in the historic county of Middlesex, was last inhabited by the Royal Family in the 18th century.

### Kensington Palace

Kensington Gardens, London W8 4PX  
Tel: (020) 844 482 7777  
[www.hrp.org.uk/KensingtonPalace](http://www.hrp.org.uk/KensingtonPalace)

Inhabited by the British Royal Family since the 17th century, this residence in Kensington Gardens, in the Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea, is the official London residence of the Duke and Duchess of Cambridge.

### The Tower of London

London EC3N 4AB  
Tel: +44 844 482 7777  
[www.hrp.org.uk/tower-of-london/](http://www.hrp.org.uk/tower-of-london/)

Her Majesty's Royal Palace and Fortress, more commonly known as the Tower of London, is a historic castle on the north bank of the River Thames in central London, England.



## Itinerary

We will meet at 8.30 at International Hall to travel to the Tower of London.

Today's activities take place in two of London's Historic Royal Palaces.

In a day devoted to curating skills, this morning you will visit the Tower of London, on the east side of the city.

After lunch we will reconvene at Kensington Palace.



Tower of London. Wikipedia

The Tower of London  
St Katharine's & Wapping, London  
EC3N 4AB  
<http://www.hrp.org.uk/tower-of->

## Tower of London

<b>Session leader</b>	Nivek Amichund, Chief Warden of the crown jewels display
<b>Venue</b>	Tower of London
<b>Times</b>	09.15-12.00
<b>Timetable/activity</b>	The Chief Warden will give participants an exclusive tour of the Crown Jewels before the Tower opens. Then he will give a talk and have a Q&A session about how they were redisplayed and his role in it.
<b>Focus</b>	Redisplay



Tower of London. www.britainexpress.com

## Itinerary

This afternoon is spent at Kensington Palace. This is the home of the Duke and Duchess of Cambridge, Prince Harry and several other members of the Royal Family.



Kensington Palace: www.royal.gov.uk

Kensington Palace  
Kensington Gardens, London W8 4PX  
<http://www.hrp.org.uk/kensington-palace/#gs.QF49VsM>

## Kensington Palace

**Session leaders** Isabella Coraça and Claudia Williams

**Venue** Kensington Palace  
**Times** 13.00-16.00

**Timetable/activity** A brief introduction to Kensington Palace's history and collection and the role of a collections curator, followed by a behind-the-scenes tour of the Royal Ceremonial Dress Collection.

**Task** A fictional auction is coming up with a number of historic dresses and the curators have a limited budget allotted for new acquisitions. With a mind to HRP's acquisition policy and the nature of the Royal Ceremonial Dress Collection, the group will be divided into pairs/trios and asked to complete an acquisition proposal. Reconvene for a presentation of task results and discussion of the issues involved.

**Focus** Curating/collections management



Kensington Palace: Flickr



Kensington Palace: HRP

## Itinerary: Hampton Court

Times: 10.00-16.00

**Session leader** Kathryn Hallett, Preventive Conservation Manager, Historic Royal Palaces

Introduction to Preventive Conservation and Collections Care

A talk will introduce you to collections and conservation with an examination of the risks at a heritage site, and the conservation risk management approach to their preservation.

Challenge: Participants will undertake a review of the collections risks at Hampton Court Palace, considering how they are managed and identifying future opportunities and threats to collections care.

Participants will present findings to the group and discuss with input from palace preventive conservation experts.

**Focus** Conserving

**Session leader** Rebecca Wallace, Registrar, Historic Royal Palaces

Introduction to Conservation Management

A talk will introduce participants to collections and collections management, with an examination of the legal and industry standards for managing collections on display and in store at a heritage site, and the role of collections management procedures in mitigating risk.

Challenge: You will undertake an investigation of an object, considering what information should be recorded/documented to manage the risks to the collection, creating a catalogue record.

You will present findings to the group and discuss with input from palace collections management experts.

**Focus** Conserving/Collections Management

**Session leader** Mika Takami, Treatment Conservation Manager, Historic Royal Palaces

Introduction to Treatment Conservation

Treatment conservation works directly on the object to stabilise and slow deterioration. An illustrated talk will introduce the scope, significance and display requirements of the collections on display and explain the approach to conservation treatment and the challenges that often throws up. A practical session to stabilise a small 18th century silk fragment through conservation stitching will be followed by a brief visit to the Tapestry conservation studio.

**Focus** Conserving



**Hampton Court Palace**  
Molesey, East Molesey KT8 9AU  
[www.hrp.org.uk/hampton-court-palace](http://www.hrp.org.uk/hampton-court-palace)

Hampton Court, Wikipedia



Hampton Court, londoncabbours.co.uk



Hampton Court, janelark.wordpress.com

## Itinerary

This morning will be spent at the British Library in Bloomsbury, near your accommodation.

We will meet at International Hall 9.00 to walk to the Library.

First Tracy Borman will talk about her career in heritage and heritage-based publishing.



British Library

**The British Library**  
 96 Euston Rd, Kings Cross  
 NW1 2DB  
[www.bl.uk/](http://www.bl.uk/)

## British Library

**Session Leader** Tracy Borman, Chief Curator, Historic Royal Palaces; Andrea Martin, Heritage Manager

**Venue** British Library  
**Time** 9.30

**Timetable/activity** Participants will be split into two groups for two activities. In the morning one group will visit the conservation studio for a behind the scenes tour led by a member of staff working in this department while the second looks at the Library's latest exhibition, 'Russian Revolution: Hope, Tragedy, Myths'. In the afternoon the groups swap and repeat the morning session.

**Focus** Conservation and Exhibitions



British Library

## Tracy Borman

Tracy has worked for historic properties and heritage organisations including the Heritage Lottery Fund, The National Archives and English Heritage. She is now chief executive of the Heritage Education Trust, a charity that encourages children to visit and learn from historic properties through the Sandford Award scheme. She is also joint chief curator for Historic Royal Palaces, the charity that manages Hampton Court Palace, the Tower of London, Kensington Palace, Kew Palace, the Banqueting House and Whitehall, and Hillsborough Castle in Northern Ireland. Tracy often appears on television and radio, and is a regular contributor to history magazines. Her latest publication, 'The Private Lives of the Tudors', was adapted into a major TV series.



Tracy Borman

## Itinerary

We will meet at International Hall 8.15 to travel to Fulham Palace.

You will spend this morning here, home to the bishops of London for eight centuries, learning about the palace and its notable gardens.

In the afternoon we will visit Apsley House on Hyde Park Corner, the London home of the first Duke of Wellington.



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## Fulham Palace

**Session Leader:** Miranda Poliakoff  
Curator

**Venue** Fulham Palace  
**Times** 09.00-12.00

**Timetable/activity** Exploring Fulham Palace with Miranda Poliakoff, learning about the challenges faced by this delightful historical site followed by a practical workshop.



hnh.org.uk

## Apsley House

**Session Leader:** Josephine Oxley  
Keeper of the Wellington Collection at  
Apsley House and Wellington Arch

**Venue** Apsley House  
**Times** 13.00-16.00

**Timetable/activity** Presenting the historic interior.  
Task and group tasks

**Focus** Curating and interpretation



Apsley House

## The Wellcome Collection

We will check out of the International Hall this morning but can store our luggage there for the day. We will meet at 10.00 and walk to the Wellcome Collection for a cup of tea and the programme evaluation.

After this you will be free to explore the fascinating collection in its recently refurbished accommodation.



Wellcome Foundation

# Health and welfare

Here are the contact details for health centres near each of our destinations. If you are feeling unwell please let your mentor know and then phone the relevant number below to arrange an appointment.

## Contacts

**Alysoun Coles**  
07713 505 499

**Sadie Colebank**

## Bath

### **The Pulteney Practice**

35 Great Pulteney Street  
Bath BA2 4BY

**Tel: 01225 464567**

**(appointments only)**

**01225 464187**

**(all other enquiries)**

[www.pulteney.co.uk](http://www.pulteney.co.uk)

### **Opening times**

Monday, Wednesday,

Thursday & Friday:

08.15 - 12.45 &

13.45 - 18.00

Tuesday:

08.15 - 12.45

& 13.45 - 20.00

Saturday: 09.00 - 12.00

Sunday: Closed

## Brighton

### **Brighton Station Health Care**

Aspect House  
84-87 Queens Road  
Brighton BN1 3XE

**0333 321 0946**

### **Opening times**

8am to 8pm daily

GP practice and Walk-in Centre: 8am-

8pm daily

### **Royal Sussex County Hospital**

#### **A&E department**

Eastern Road  
Brighton BN2 5BE

**+44 (0)1273 696955**

[www.bsuh.nhs.uk](http://www.bsuh.nhs.uk)

## Stowe

### **North End Surgery**

High Street, Buckingham, MK18 1NU

**01280 818 600**

[www.northendsurgery.co.uk](http://www.northendsurgery.co.uk)

### **Opening times**

Monday to Friday:

08.00 - 18.00

Saturday: 09.00 - 12.00

Sunday: Closed

## London

### **Brunswick Medical Centre**

39 Brunswick Centre  
London WC1N 1AF

**020 7837 3057**

[www.brunswickmedicalcentre.com](http://www.brunswickmedicalcentre.com)

### **Opening times**

Monday: 08.00 - 20.00

Tuesday: 08.00 - 20.00

Wednesday: 08.00 - 20.00

Thursday: 08.00 - 18.30

Friday : 08.00 - 18.30

Saturday: 09.00 - 12.00

Sunday: Closed

### **Hospital (with A&E)**

UCH (University College Hospital)

235 Euston Road NW1 2BU T

**+44 (0) 845 155 5000**

### **Emergency Dentist**

[24hour-emergencydentist.co.uk](http://24hour-emergencydentist.co.uk)

**+44 (0) 208 748 9365**

Baker Street, Kensington, Liverpool  
Street and Hammersmith.