HISTORY FESTIVAL

30 AUGUST - 1 SEPTEMBER - CONWAY HALL



2024 PROGRAMME





FRIDAY 30 AUGUST



7-9PM

MAIN HALL

Down With the Crown?

Jenny Kleeman in conversation with Graham Smith Republicanism and the freethought movement.

SATURDAY 31 AUGUST

MAIN HALL

10.30-11.30 AM

TALK: Writing Freethought Histories

Suzanne Hobson, Edward Royle, Bill Cooke, Clare Stainthorp Freethought history's relevance today.

12-1 PM

TALK: The Freethinker: The Voice of Secularism

Emma Park, Dan Bye, Daniel Sharp, David Nash Campaigning for secularism and freedom of enquiry since 1881.

2-3 PM

TALK: Freethinking Lives

Eoin Carter, Paul Fitzgerald, SI Martin, Maddy Goodall, Megan Manson - Explore the lives of the key figures of the movement.

3.30-4.30 PM

TALK & MUSIC: Radical Music, Remarkable Women

Katherine Fry, Frances Lynch

Explore women's networks in 19th-century London.

BROCKWAY ROOM

10 AM - 5 PM

FILM: Reasons To Believe by Ben Fama Jr

A documentary exploring the psychology and science behind why we believe.

LIBRARY

10 AM - 5 PM

WORKSHOP: A Flower for Your Thoughts

Assemblage Collective reflect on your ideas about freethought in a creative drop-in workshop.

EXHIBITION: Freethought Heritage curated by David Nash
The story of freethought as told through Conway Hall's archives.

BERTRAND RUSSELL

10 AM - 5 PM

Doers, Dreamers, Place Makers: Humanist Heritage

A virtual tour of Conway Hall, exploring the living history of the Ethical Society.

SUNDAY 1 SEPTEMBER

MAIN HALL

11 AM & 2 PM

Tom Paine's Bones: A puppet making workshop

Join artist Polyp to uncover the mystery, and reassemble old Tom's skeleton - just in time for a parade through Conway Hall! 45 minute workshops.

BROCKWAY ROOM

11 AM - 4 PM

Great and Good? Plaque Making Workshop

Join Clare Stainthorp and Maddy Goodall for a hands-on workshop and make your own plaque celebrating someone important to you!

Drop in anytime throughout the day.

LIBRARY

12 PM & 3 PM

Sing for Eliza! With Electric Voice Theatre

Join us in song for a workshop on female composer Eliza Flower.

45 minute workshops.

BERTRAND RUSSELL

11 AM - 4.45 PM

Doers and Dreamers Storytelling

Join us for a virtual tour of Conway Hall's fascinating history, as told by Isobel King.

Drop in anytime throughout the day.

WALKS

THE ROAD TO ETHICS

11 AM - 1 PM



Discover London's ethical history, from the birth of the Ethical Movement to the rise of radical freethinking.

TICKETS: £13 is & £9

BOOKS, BONES, & BLASPHEMY

2 - 4 PM



A walk through the streets of the City, following in the footsteps of London's radical publishers and freethinkers

TICKETS: £13 & £9

HUMANIST BLOOMSBURY

ALL DAY (SELF-LED)

Self-directed via App 'Go Jauntly'.

A self-directed tour of Bloomsbury's Humanist History. Just download the app 'Go Jauntly' and off you go!



FREE

