

## 2017 AUTUMN PROGRAMME OF LOCAL EVENTS

All events below are held at **St Augustine's Church and Community Centre in Richmond Road** and are open to all. A small charge or retiring collection may be made where fees are requested by speakers or performers, or where there are unfunded expenses.

A complimentary glass of wine or fruit juice and nibbles are served at most events.

The programme is supported by **Richmond, Oxford and Windsor Roads Residents' Associations**, and put together by **St Augustine's Church**.

### **SATURDAY 16 SEPTEMBER 6 - 7 PM**

#### **'WHY DOES LOVE GET IN THE WAY?'**

Start the autumn season by coming to hear a selection of **Cabaret Songs** from Benjamin Britten to Kurt Weill - with **Bridget Hardy** (mezzo soprano) and **Ralph Woodward** (piano).

### **FRIDAY 6 OCTOBER 6 - 7 PM**

#### **ASTERIODS, ALIENS AND ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE: THE WORLD OF EXISTENTIAL RISK**

From visions of Judgement Day carved in the stone of medieval churches, through the 19<sup>th</sup> century Martian invasion of HG Wells, to modern day films of asteroid impacts, our culture is replete with references to catastrophes with the potential to engulf humanity. This talk by **Lieutenant Commander John Ash RN (ret)** of the Scott Polar Research Institute describes the nature of these "existential" risks and the extent to which they might be managed – and explores whether we owe a duty of care to our descendants.

### **SATURDAY 14 OCTOBER 7-10.30 PM**

#### **QUIZ NIGHT**

Hosted by **Richmond Road Residents' Association**, this popular annual quiz is open to teams from the local area who compete across a range of subjects for the magnificent Challenge Cup awarded to the winner on the night. Teams of 6 pay £10 pp to take part and the price includes a buffet meal and drinks. Book a place now (01223 364929).

### **FRIDAY 20 OCTOBER 6-7 PM**

#### **HEDGEHOGS: THE GARDENER'S FRIEND**

Everyone has a soft spot for the hedgehog. It is one of the most instantly recognisable animals and yet one of the least studied British mammals. **Vanessa Blake** and **Stuart Clough** will tell you more about our spiky friends, including what they eat, why they are in serious decline and how we can help them.

### **FRIDAY 3 NOVEMBER 6 -7 PM**

#### **"VOZ DE TANGO"- THE VOICE OF TANGO**

An encounter with **Andres "Tanguito" Cejas**, the world renowned dance maestro from Argentina. Music and dance, attitude and culture, earth and movement, expression .... Andres embodies the authentic tango of the Rio de la Plata estuary. An evening put together by **Tangueando**.

### **SUNDAY 12 NOVEMBER 6-7 PM**

#### **GABRIEL FAURE'S REQUIEM**

**St. Augustine's Singers**, accompanied by **Philip Mead** on the keyboard, and conducted by **Alan Rochford**, will give a performance of Fauré's *Requiem*, and Purcell's *Man that is born of a Woman*, to bring Remembrance Sunday to a fitting end.

**FRIDAY 17 NOVEMBER 6-7 PM**

**GOING SLUMMING: THE ATTRACTIONS OF 19<sup>th</sup> CENTURY SPANISH STREET LITERATURE**

Join **Alison Sinclair** for an insight into wrongdoing in Spain during the 19<sup>th</sup> and early 20<sup>th</sup> centuries. Alison was formally Professor of Modern Spanish Literature and Intellectual History here in Cambridge, and hosted an important recent exhibition on this subject at the University Library.

**FRIDAY 24 NOVEMBER 6-7 PM**

**THE SLENDER WAIST OF TEARS: REFLECTIONS ON A JOURNEY THROUGH CENTRAL AMERICA**

Share a journey with **Richard Footitt** from Panama to Guatemala, reflecting on the history of six small countries squeezed between North and South America. Reflect also on what they have in common - beautiful scenery and a rich wildlife for example, but also a bloody past which shapes so much of the present.

**FRIDAY 1 DECEMBER 5.30-7 PM**

**SON ET LUMIERE**

Listen to movements from Olivier Messiaen's monumental *Vingt regards sur l'enfant-Jésus* by **Philip Mead**, together with visual images from the National Gallery introduced by **Susanna Avery-Quash**, curator.

**SATURDAY 23 DECEMBER 6-7 PM**

**COMMUNITY CAROL SERVICE**

Come and enjoy the local Community Carol Service, with traditional lessons and carols followed by mulled wine and mince pies, and much more!

**MONDAY 1 JANUARY 10 AM-12 PM**

**VIENNESE COFFEE HOUSE**

A welcome return of the New Year Coffee House with drinks, cakes and live music reminiscent of Vienna in the early 20<sup>th</sup> century. Relax after the holidays in good company and with beguiling music played by **Chihiro Ono** (violin) with contributions from the **St. Augustine's Singers**.

... and don't forget on the 1<sup>st</sup> **SUNDAY of each month (1 OCTOBER; 5 NOVEMBER; and 3 DECEMBER)** come and share a **COMMUNITY LUNCH** starting at 1 pm: two courses with wine and fruit juice for only £4 per head.

**Separate publicity will appear for each event and on <http://stas.org.uk>**