

FRIENDS OF RUSKIN'S BRANTWOOD

STUDY DAY & A.G.M.

TO BE HELD IN THE STUDIO, BRANTWOOD

Saturday 9 October 2010

9.30 am – 4.00 pm

Theme of the Day: Ruskin and Italy

10.00 Illustrated Lecture

Professor Stephen Wildman – “Black wind and white fire: Ruskin in Sicily 1874”

Sicily was the furthest place ever visited by John Ruskin, for ten days in April 1874. He was invited to Palermo by Sir Henry Yule, a retired India army officer, whose vivacious daughter Amy, 33 years Ruskin's junior, not only acted as Ruskin's guide but corresponded with him and wrote about their friendship after his death.

Director of the Ruskin Library and Research Centre at Lancaster University, Stephen will illustrate the talk with letters and drawings by Ruskin and others, as well as photos taken recently in Sicily.

11.00 Coffee

11.30 Annual General Meeting

LUNCH at The Waterhead Hotel, Coniston

2.15 Afternoon Discussion

Colin Harrison – “The Pre-Raphaelites and Italy”

Italy was one of the central sources of inspiration for the Pre-Raphaelites. Ruskin wrote extensively on her art and architecture, recording them in numerous drawings and watercolours, while Dante Gabriel Rossetti, who never visited his fatherland, spoke Italian fluently, translated Dante and other early Italian poets, and used passages from Italian literature in many of his paintings. The work of these and others of the Pre-Raphaelite circle inspired by Italy illustrates the evolving definition of Pre-Raphaelitism in the decades after 1848.

Colin has been the Curator of British Art in the Ashmolean Museum, Oxford, since 1995, and is co-curator of the exhibition 'The Pre-Raphaelites and Italy', at the Ashmolean from 15 September to 6 December 2010.

16.00 Depart

As in recent years, *Friends* who are not obliged to leave straight after the meeting might like to adjourn to the *Jumping Jenny* after the end of the formal programme, for conversation and discussions there over tea, beside the log fire. **(Individuals will be responsible for their own refreshments)**

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And
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BOOKING FORM

Please return to Events Secretary by 18th September

WHOLE DAY: £10

Lunch at the Waterhead £18 price subject to confirmation

Attendance at AGM only Free

PARKING

In order not to block Brantwood's car park for the whole day, those who are able to walk are encouraged to park in Machels Coppice Car Park which is a few hundred yards further down the lane towards the south end of the lake

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Name(s)

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I/We will be attending for the whole day excluding lunch £10

I/We will be attending the Lunch at the Waterhead £18

I/We enclose a cheque for £.....to cover the cost, as appropriate

Please return to:
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