NORTHERN ARCHITECTURAL HISTORY SOCIETY

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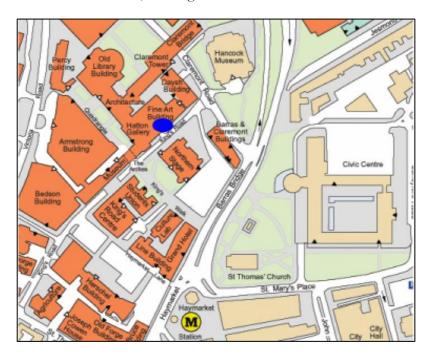
The Tyne Theatre, Proscenium Arch Photo: Graeme Peacock The subject of our October lecture

NORTHERN ARCHITECTURAL HISTORY SOCIETY

The Society was established in the 1970s. It aims to encourage the study and enjoyment of architecture, buildings, their contents and settings by organising lectures and visits. It usually holds its lectures in Newcastle upon Tyne and enjoys a close association with the School of Architecture, Planning and Landscape of Newcastle University.

THE LECTURE THEATRE

Unless otherwise stated lectures are held in the Fine Art Lecture Theatre of Newcastle University. The location is marked by the blue oval. All access to the lecture theatre is now via the disabled access door on the Kings Road, or south east side, of the building. There is a push button, which will signal to the people inside that you require access. Doors open at 7.00pm, refreshments are usually available, and lectures start at 7.30pm. Disabled parking and easy access to the lecture theatre are available, on King's Road.



THE TYNE THEATRE ARCHITECTS

William Parnell - Oliver & Leeson - Frank Matcham

David Wilmore

18th October 2023



An architectural history of the Tyne change and evolution Theatre's between 1867 and 1919. Over the last 12 months work has started on planning a major restoration of the Tyne Theatre, and in consequence the architectural genealogy of this grade I listed building has been unravelled. William Parnell created a theatrical masterpiece having never designed a theatre before - how did he do it? David Wilmore's company Theatresearch acts Lead as Consultants for many theatre restoration projects.

THE MASTER'S HOUSE, LEDBURY

A hydrothermal environmental approach to refurbishment

Gary Butler

22nd November 2023

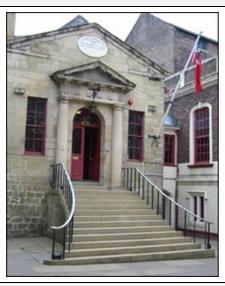


It is almost 10 years since we visited the Master's House in Ledbury as it was being restored. We were fascinated not just by the existing structure but the quality of the workmanship being undertaken under the direction of a brilliant team of conservationists.

Gary Butler was the Conservation Architect for the project. He will recount the development of the strategy of conservation and the change of use with reference to the introduction of insulation, heating, air tightness and modern environmental control into this ancient structure.

TRINITY HOUSE, CHRISTMAS EVENT

5th December 2023



Commencing as a charitable guild in the 15th century, 'The Fellowship of Masters, and Mariners of Ships of the Town of Newcastle upon Tyne' was formally constituted and moved to its present site (formerly Dalton's Place) in 1505. Although some medieval elements remain the fascinating range of high-quality buildings, grouped around a central courtyard, date mostly from the early sixteenth through to the nineteenth century.

This event will include a guided tour of the buildings and seasonal buffet supper.

MEMBERS' EVENING James Heneghan - Ian Ness - Ian Wells

Host: Hugh Dixon 17th January 2024



The Members' Evening is an opportunity for members to raise topics of interest, air architectural enthusiasms, or simply fly architectural kites.

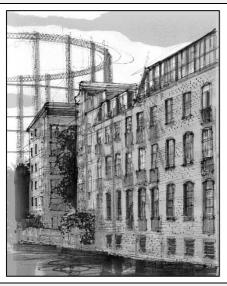
The evening's topics will include:

- A ruined preceptory of the Knights Hospitaller in Northumberland.
- A meditation on 18th Century Staircases.
- A post war American church architect said to have built a church in every state of America.

LIVING IN HOUSES

Prof. Ruth Dalton

7th February 2024



Ruth is a Professor of Architecture at Northumbria University, and a worldleading authority on the overlap between architecture and spatial cognition.

This talk presents a rich and rewarding history of houses in England through the stories of nine houses, dating from the 1600s to the 1980s, in which the speaker has lived.

Ruth will reflect on her own experience of each house, and examine its historical context, before making an analysis of each building's design and layout.

FORGING THE FUTURE

Stephen and Ashlee Lunn

20th March 2024



Stephen will be giving an insight into his work as a third-generation family blacksmith. He will be accompanied by his daughter Ashlee who is also a blacksmith, both of them working from their smithy at Redrow in Northumberland.

Stephen has been awarded the Tonypandy Cup by the Worshipful Company of Blacksmiths twice.

In 2010 the award was given for his work on the Burial Ground Gates at Hulme Park, Alnwick, commissioned by the Duke and Duchess of Northumberland.

REIMAGINING HISTORIC BUILDINGS:

including the National Gallery of Ireland.

Róisín Heneghan

17th April 2024



Those who attended Róisín's remarkable talk on the Grand Egyptian Museum in March 2020 will be very pleased to hear she is making a return visit to review major projects being conducted by Heneghan Peng Architects in their home city, Dublin.

Róisín is a graduate of University College Dublin and has a degree of Master of Architecture from Yale. Heneghan Peng have won many of the foremost international architectural competitions of this century and built major projects on several continents.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Location to be agreed

May 2024

Each May we arrange to have our AGM at a building or area of great architectural interest. The meeting is supplemented with a buffet, a short lecture, and a guided tour. We will announce the location and send out booking information in early January.

LONG WEEKEND ARCHITECTURAL TOUR

Location to be agreed

Early July 2024

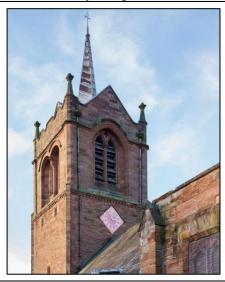
We have had successful trips to Northern Ireland, Aberdeenshire, Hereford, and Cardiff in past years. Counties were often selected because a new Pevsner had been published. Next year, Staffordshire's guide is due for republication.

We are aware that that running similar trips in the new economic climate is going to be challenging. Please think about ideas and look out for a questionnaire we will send out just before the October lecture.

BRAMPTON: A TOWN WALK

Lily Hopkins

June 2024



We will spend the day guided by Lily Hopkins around the fascinating and lively Cumbrian market town of Brampton.

Lily grew up in the town, is a town and country planner, past chair of the Carlisle Diocesan Advisory Committee and church warden of St Martin's.

The parish church's architect Philip Webb designed two other buildings in this town. In the outskirts we may glimpse a post war domestic work by Sir Leslie Martin and what might be the oldest church in Cumbria.

TYNE VALLEY CHURCHES

Hugh Dixon

September 2024



A day coach or shared car tour to include some of the lesser-known churches of Northumberland in the North Tyne valley.

The day will include the largest of four Regency gothic churches designed by HH Seward, house architect to Greenwich Hospital Commissioners, who had taken over the former Derwentwater Estates.

Our committee member Hugh Dixon will prepare the itinerary and guide us on the day. Hopefully there will be one or two refreshment stops along the way.

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Visit our website for the latest information: www.northernarchitecturalhistory.org.uk

For further information contact the events secretary: Ian Wells e mail: events@northernarchitecturalhistory.org.uk
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Ideas for future events are always welcome!

ZOOM BROADCASTS

For those who cannot get to the lecture theatre, whenever possible (and when permitted by the speaker) we aim to stream the event live on Zoom. The necessary link code is sent to members' e-mail addresses a few days before each lecture.

MEMBERSHIP

The annual subscription is due for renewal on the 1st March

To join please download the membership form from our website, and send it to our treasurer: Maria Carballeira e mail: treasurer@northernarchitecturalhistory.org.uk

SUBSCRIPTION FOR THE 2023/2024 SEASON

Individual subscription £14

Two people at the same address £18

Students in full time education £9 (for the academic year)

Please note: Subscriptions will increase for the 2024/2025 season.