

FRIENDS OF THE COURTAULD INSTITUTE OF ART

EVENTS AUTUMN/WINTER 2011/12

Welcome to the Friends of The Courtauld's programme of events for autumn/winter 2011/12. Highlights include a visit to Pallant House to see the *Frida Kahlo and Diego Rivera* exhibition, Edmund de Waal's studio, as well as events celebrating The Courtauld's collection and exhibitions.

SEPTEMBER

MIRÓ AT TATE MODERN

Exhibition talk and visit
MONDAY 5 SEPTEMBER 11AM – 1PM

An excellent opportunity to get an insight into the life and work of this wonderful Catalan surrealist artist and his works on show. Joan Miró's works can be seen in the first major retrospective for nearly 50 years, which has been curated by Courtauld alumnus Matthew Gale (MA '84, PhD '92). Miró filled his paintings with luxuriant colour and worked in a rich variety of styles. The talk by experienced Tate lecturer Linda Smith will be followed by a viewing of the show at 12PM.

Meet at Starr Auditorium, Level 2, Tate Modern, Bankside, London SE1 9TG at 10.45AM

Tickets: Talk Friends £15/Guests £20; Talk and exhibition Friends £22/Guests £30

FRIDA KAHLO & DIEGO RIVERA AT PALLANT HOUSE

Guided tour of Pallant House and exhibition
SATURDAY 24 SEPTEMBER
11.45AM – 4PM

Guided tour of Pallant House's permanent collection with works by Lucian Freud, Barbara Hepworth, Fernand Léger, Henry Moore, Ben Nicholson and many others. After lunch we will enjoy a pre-exhibition talk on two famous Mexican artists, for the first time shown together in the UK: Frida Kahlo and Diego Rivera, both artists of mythological status, followed by a viewing of the exhibition.

Meet at Pallant House, 9 North Pallant, Chichester, West Sussex PO19 1TJ (5 min walk from station) at 11.45AM

Tickets: Friends £25/One Guest* £35 (lunch not included)



Frida on White Bench Photo by Nickolas Muray,
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OCTOBER



Goya *Cantar y Bailar*, 18C. © The Samuel Courtauld Trust

CHRIST CHURCH AND SPITALFIELDS

Visit and architectural walk
SUNDAY 9 OCTOBER 2 – 4PM

Anna Fenn, Courtauld alumna and Blue Badge guide, will take us on an architectural walk around Spitalfields, location of some of London's most beautiful 18th-century houses, starting with a visit to Nicholas Hawksmoor's Christ Church. Amongst the early immigrants of this vibrant and historic neighbourhood were members of the Courtauld family, who were then practicing goldsmiths.

Meet in front of Christ Church, Commercial Street, City of London E1 6LY at 1.45PM

Tickets: Friends £20/One Guest* £30

THE SPANISH LINE: DRAWINGS FROM RIBERA TO PICASSO

Exhibition preview
THE COURTAULD GALLERY
WEDNESDAY 12 OCTOBER 3 – 4PM

Exclusive preview and curatorial tour by Dr Stephanie Buck, Curator of Drawings. This exhibition presents highlights from The Courtauld Gallery's collection of Spanish drawings, one of the most important in Britain. The collection ranges from the 16th to the 20th-century and features examples by many of Spain's greatest artists, including Ribera, Murillo, Goya and Picasso.

Meet in the foyer of The Courtauld Gallery at 2.45PM

Tickets: Friends FREE/One Guest* £15

LEIGHTON HOUSE

MONDAY 31 OCTOBER 11AM – 1PM

Guided tour of the former home and studio of the leading Victorian artist, Sir Frederic Leighton. The house was designed by George Aitchison, to display Leighton's priceless collection of Islamic tiles from Damascus in Syria and has as its centrepiece the Arab Hall; a compelling vision of the Orient in Victorian times.

Meet at Leighton House, 12 Holland Park Road, London W14 8LZ at 10.45AM

Tickets: Friends £15/One Guest* £25



Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea.
Photographer Justin Barton.

NOVEMBER

THE LONDON LIBRARY

MONDAY 7 NOVEMBER 7 – 8PM

Guided tour of The London Library, founded in 1841 by Thomas Carlyle. The Library is still housed in its original position in St James's Square but was entirely reconstructed in 1896-98, as one of the first steel-frame buildings in London with its eclectic facade. The Library contains some 30,000 of the most valuable, rare books.

Meet at The London Library, 14 St James's Square, London SW1Y 4LG at 6.45PM

Tickets: Friends £10/One Guest* £20

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HIGHLIGHTS TOUR THE COURTAULD GALLERY THURSDAY 17 NOVEMBER 5 – 6PM

One of our regular Highlights Tours of some of our Masterpieces by Dr Ayla Lepine. Afterwards, as part of The Courtauld Late Night opening series, there will be live music with Courtauld experts holding talks on the Spanish Drawings exhibition while downstairs drinks and nibbles will be available in the cash bar of The Courtauld Gallery Café till 9pm.

Meet in the foyer of The Courtauld Gallery at 4.45PM

Tickets: Friends FREE/One Guest* £10

LEONARDO DA VINCI: PAINTER AT THE COURT OF MILAN Lecture by Dr Per Rumberg MONDAY 21 NOVEMBER 6.30 – 7.30PM

Per Rumberg, Courtauld alumnus, former Friends Scholar and Pidem Curatorial Assistant at The National Gallery, is a contributor to the Leonardo exhibition. This show at the National Gallery concentrates on the work Leonardo produced as court painter to Duke Lodovico Sforza in Milan in the late 1480s and 1490s. Per will give us an insight into what promises to be one of the greatest shows this year. Followed by drinks in the foyer.

Meet in the Kenneth Clark Lecture Theatre, The Courtauld Institute of Art, from 6.00PM onwards

Tickets: £5 for Friends, Alumni and Guests; must be booked in advance but paid for cash at the door.



Leonardo da Vinci, *The Virgin of the Rocks* (*The Virgin with the Infant Saint John adoring the Infant Christ accompanied by an Angel*) about 1491-1508 (detail) © The National Gallery, London.

JOHN BURNINGHAM: AN ILLUSTRATED JOURNEY AT THE FLEMING COLLECTION Guided tour and exhibition MONDAY 28 NOVEMBER 10 – 11.30AM

Guided visit of The Fleming Collection which arguably boasts the finest collection of Scottish art comprising artists such as the Scottish impressionist William McTaggart, the Glasgow Boys, and famous Scottish Colourists like Lochaber and John Watson. Afterwards we will have an opportunity to see the exhibition of one of the best loved illustrators John Burningham.

Meet at The Fleming Collection, 13 Berkeley Street, London W1J 8DU at 9.45AM

Tickets: Friends £17/Guests £22 (includes coffee and biscuits)

DECEMBER



Ceramic pots by Edmund de Waal

EDMUND DE WAAL'S POTTERY Studio visit MONDAY 5 DECEMBER 1.30PM – 3PM

Edmund de Waal, author of *The Hare With Amber Eyes: A Hidden Inheritance*,

and distinguished potter and ceramist. His work has been shown widely including the Royal Academy Summer Exhibition, Masterpiece and Art Basel, and is also on permanent display at the Victoria and Albert Museum. Edmund will receive us in his studio and tell us more about his work. Not to be missed!

Meet at 6 Parade Mews, Norwood Road, Tulse Hill, SE27 9AX at 1.15PM

Tickets: Friends £25/One Guest* £35

JANUARY 2012

SAINT CYPRIAN'S CHURCH Guided tour THURSDAY 19 JANUARY 11AM – 12.30PM

Guided tour by Dr Ayla Lepine, Courtauld Visiting Lecturer and specialist in all things Victorian, of this exquisite late Victorian church, designed by Sir John Ninian Comper and built in 1903.

Meet at St Cyprian's Church, 15 Garrick Street, London WC2E 9AY at 10.45AM

Tickets: Friends £15/One Guest* £25

*Please note that on some events you can now only bring one guest due to limited capacity.

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