

## Friends of Winchester Cathedral Events Autumn, Winter & Spring 2024/25

All talks take place in the Paul Woodhouse Suite  
 Tickets are £13 for Friends and £15 for non-Friends. Attendance by Zoom is by donation.  
 Please book all talks through the Friends Office.  
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<p><b>Tuesday 17 September</b></p> <p><b>7pm in the Paul Woodhouse Suite and 7.30pm on Zoom</b></p> <p>This talk will start with a drinks reception</p>	<p><b>Cindy Wood, Friends' trustee and Winchester University history lecturer – Medieval Women</b></p> <p>This talk will consider how we can find the female voice in the Middle Ages. Traditionally it is seen that medieval women were invisible, but Cindy shall consider ways in which existing sources can be used to see the female experience, from all walks of life, using individuals from medieval times including medieval women from Winchester as examples.</p>
<p><b>Wednesday 16 October</b></p> <p><b>2.30pm in the Paul Woodhouse Suite and on Zoom</b></p> <p>This talk will be followed by tea and biscuits</p>	<p><b>Julie Adams – 'A Chapel for Our Lady at Winchester'</b></p> <p>Julie will talk about the rise, fall and eventual rise again of our Lady Chapel, which was abandoned during the Reformation very shortly after its refurbishment in the late 15th century. Our Lady Chapel is one of the most impressive areas of the Cathedral, and we are lucky to retain the only pre-Reformation choir stalls in the country, along with vast stained-glass windows, colourful vaulting, and the remains of extraordinary paintings of legends of the Virgin Mary.</p>
<p><b>Tuesday 12 November</b></p> <p><b>2.30pm in the Paul Woodhouse Suite and on Zoom</b></p> <p>This talk will be followed by tea and biscuits</p>	<p><b>Alison Evans, Winchester Cathedral Chief Operating Officer</b></p> <p>Alison will be talking about the Cathedral's exciting pipeline of capital works projects for the next decade and beyond, to ensure this beautiful and very special place continues to adapt, thrive and remain relevant to modern society. This will include plans for the future use of Priors Hall.</p>
<p><b>Tuesday 3 December, 7pm</b> <b>Zoom only</b></p>	<p><b>David Rymill, Cathedral Archivist – Christmas at Winchester Cathedral through the ages</b></p> <p>In this presentation, David will use the archive to show the ways in which Christmas has been celebrated at the Cathedral over the centuries; from the roles played by the monks of St Swithun's Priory in medieval times in worship, and the food they would have enjoyed at Christmas feasts, to the carols that have been sung in the Cathedral over the years and the ways in which Cathedral clergy have presented the Christmas message in their sermons.</p>

<p><b>Wednesday 29 January 2.30pm</b></p> <p><b>Paul Woodhouse Suite &amp; Zoom</b></p> <p>This talk will be followed by tea and biscuits.</p>	<p><b>Angela Forder-Stent – ‘Our industrious Dean Selwyn – why was he never made a Bishop?’</b></p> <p>Selwyn was Dean of Winchester for nearly thirty years. A distinguished scholar and preacher, he was responsible for founding the Pilgrim’s School and was also instrumental in the creation of The Friends of Winchester Cathedral. Angela will document his distinguished life and career and also explain why he never was awarded a bishopric.</p>
<p><b>Tuesday 25 February, 2.30pm</b></p> <p><b>Paul Woodhouse Suite &amp; Zoom</b></p> <p>This talk will be followed by tea and biscuits.</p>	<p><b>Josh Stephens, Winchester Cathedral Sub-Organist – ‘My Life as a Cathedral Organist’</b></p> <p>One of our brilliant organists, Josh will talk about his training as an organist and his career path to Winchester. He will also enlighten us about the challenges and joys of his role as a sub-organist and a choir director.</p>
<p><b>Tuesday 25 March, 10.30am-3.30pm</b></p> <p><b>Paul Woodhouse Suite</b></p> <p>Tickets for this full day study day are £25 and the ticket price include refreshments and lunch.</p>	<p><b>Ken Eglington – ‘History of England’ Study Day</b></p> <p>Ken Eglington’s popular extended presentation ‘<i>The History of England &amp; Wales</i>’ tells the story of a journey from serfdom to freedom, and from ignorance to enlightenment. This event will explore how, through rebellion, war, law, plague, poetry, murder, and ever-advancing knowledge, an English national identity emerged. This event will be run as a study day with lunch included.</p>
<p><b>20 September, 18 October, 15 November and 6 December 2024</b>  <b>17 January, 21 February and 21 March 2025</b></p>	<p>The Friday Friends’ Coffee mornings on these dates will take place from 10.30am in the Undercroft.  No need to book, just turn up to meet Friends old and new.</p>
<p><b>Saturday 19 October, 11.30am and Wednesday 30 October, 11.30am</b></p>	<p><b>Friends’ Tower Tours</b>  Book now for a complimentary Cathedral tour by telephoning the Cathedral Box office (01962 857275).</p>
<p><b>Wednesday 18 September 10am</b>  <b>Wednesday 13 November 10.30</b></p>	<p><b>Cathedral Special Interest Tours</b>  ‘Cathedral Women’ tour  ‘Conflict and the Cathedral’ tour</p>
<p><b>Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December – Community Carol Service</b>  <b>Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December &amp; Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> December – Public Carol services</b></p>	<p><b>Cathedral Carol Services</b>  This year the Community Carol Service will take place on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December at 6.30pm and Friends will be able to book tickets for this event. More information about the ticketing process for these services will be available in the Friends’ monthly email newsletters.</p>

