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Weekenders enjoy a trip to Hull 'City of Culture'

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From The Chair

Hello Again!

Well would you believe it, we are fast approaching the end of 2017 and I can only say again, doesn't time fly when you're a member of SU3A! 2017 has seen both our membership and the number of group activities increase yet again and I'm very pleased to advise that the number of volunteers has increased as well. Having said that, several members of the EC, myself included, will be standing down next year and we need members to come forward to replace the vacant roles. Unfortunately, many members still seem to be afraid of offering their time to fill these roles and after three years on the EC I still cannot understand why! The requirements are very simple: common sense, enjoy working with people, approximately 2-4 hours per week and being comfortable using the internet and emails. More details can be found on pages 6-8 or just give me or any committee member a call.

The Open Groups have again been very busy this year organising some wonderful events and trips and many members have commented to me about how much enjoyment they have received from them. I also want to take this opportunity to highlight the work carried out by some of our "silent" volunteers, those members that make up the *Links, Open Groups Supplement*, Membership and Wild Apricot teams who beaver away in the background to ensure that communication within our organisation is the best it can possibly be... Thank you to everyone.

It seems like only yesterday when I was writing to remind us all that renewal of our membership is once again approaching us. The cost of membership remains unchanged and don't forget that you can renew online. It's faster, saves you the cost of a stamp and it helps our Membership Team by easing the amount of work they have to do. If you haven't tried renewing your membership online before why not give it a try this year or you can come along to the Drop-In and renew with our IT support volunteers. See **pages 5** and **34** for more details.

I had the privilege of being able to attend "Made in Sheffield", a SU3A Steel City Wanderers event in association with Off the Shelf – Sheffield's Festival of Words... and what a splendid event it was! Opening with the poignant ballad of "Nora of Pond Street" and finishing with a rousing song of what makes Sheffield great to the tune of "All Kinds of Everything", the event was jam packed with performances. I would like to thank all those who participated in the event, the SU3A Story Writing Group, the performers and administrators, the refreshment team and especially Pat and Clare Ryan the organisers.

Looking forward to 2018, I see there are some groups with vacancies so as 2017 ends why not make a New Year's resolution to try a new group activity that you have never tried before... you have nothing to lose!

I sign off for the last time in 2017 by wishing you all a peaceful festive break and good health and happiness for 2018...

Samina

NEWS

'Talking about our generation' - growing up in the 1960s. Don't miss the chance to take part!

The proposed living history project (see October *Links*) is starting to take shape. The steering group will meet in December. The project will start with an open meeting on Tuesday 16 January, 10am to 12 noon in the Showroom Cafe (the room behind the bar). This will be followed by a series of meetings throughout the year, sharing memories of the various aspects of growing up in the 60s - food, music, fashion, home life, entertainment, world events, etc. Students from the University of Sheffield History Department will be offering to conduct and write up structured interviews with individual members. It should be an interesting and rewarding trip down Memory Lane! If you would like to participate please contact:

Denise West (0114) 274 6797 denisewest3btinternet.com Shelagh Woolliscroft (0114) 255 8948 shelaghwoolliscroft.com

It's Membership Renewal Time Again!

If you are on email, then by the start of December, you should receive a renewal reminder email from **Wild Apricot**. If you do not, please check your spam first and then email **wa-adminsu3a.org.uk** if it's not there.

If you use your credit/debit card online, **please** use it to renew your membership. Using the system considerably eases the load on our SU3A Membership Team and on the Treasurer. You can use either a credit/debit card or your PayPal account, if you have one, to pay.

Wild Apricot is fully encrypted (note the https:// at the start of the web address). Wild Apricot holds no-one's financial details, only invoices and a statement that these have been paid. All payments are handled by the PayPal bank and so are protected by the highest possible levels of security.

The Wild Apricot Team is ready and waiting to manage your renewals. Do not worry if you have forgotten your password. Click on the 'Forgot Password' link next to the Login button and a new one will be sent to your email address.

If you have changed your email address during the year or have any other problems with the system please email **wa-adminsu3a.org.uk** and we will do our best to help. During the main renewal period we promise a response within 48 hours; usually it is much less.

If you prefer face-to-face help, members of the Wild Apricot Team will be at the December and January Drop-Ins. Of course you can still renew by post using the application form on **page 34**.

Vacancies for 2018

Do you feel passionate about our U3A? Do you want to become more involved, meet new people who feel equally passionate about our organisation? Sheffield U3A Executive Committee (EC) has several vacancies next year, so why not come and join us or at least pick up the phone and give us a call? Your involvement really matters, you bring new ideas and different perspectives to our organisation without which SU3A would become stale and stagnant.

All applicants will be taken through the roles on a one-to-one basis and can shadow existing members for several months, no-one gets thrown in at the deep end!

Vacancy - Chair of Sheffield U3A

Who and What is the Chair of SU3A?

I'm Samina and I joined the Executive Committee a year after joining SU3A, becoming the Chair in 2015 and have never regretted either decision. The Chair is not an all-powerful figure sitting above the membership making very important decisions on a daily or weekly basis... delusions of grandeur or what! The Chair is an officer of SU3A who, along with the other officers and EC members, helps to support the running of our organisation. Why did I join? I felt that I could offer something back to this great organisation of ours. I get a lot out of SU3A and wanted to give a little something back and the role didn't appear to be difficult or time-consuming, so I thought why not give it a try?

What do I do? I lead a meeting of the EC every two months, at which any matters raised by the membership or the National and Regional Offices are discussed and collective decisions are taken... I don't make a decision on my own! Occasionally, matters raised can be time sensitive so these are discussed via email. Many matters raised are passed onto non-EC Officers/teams, e.g. General Coordinators if it is a group query. The EC has a rota to attend the monthly Drop-Ins, though I do like to go more frequently. I represent SU3A once a year at the National AGM and our Regional AGM and get to meet other Chairs and compare ideas.

Who Supports me? My fellow EC Officers. I have also called upon previous Chairs and EC members to share their expertise to address certain questions. All EC members are supported by National and Regional Offices.

How much time does it take? Approximately 2-4 hours per week, subject to any forthcoming meetings or events. I spend more time on my voluntary work outside of SU3A!

What have I got out of it? I still feel useful, I've met loads of new people and made many new friends, learned new things and the marvellous opportunity to speak to other U3As and see how they work.

Skills required? Common sense, ability to listen to people, be comfortable using internet, email and word documents.

So where's the difficult bit you may ask? Well, when you find it do let me know! If you are interested or want more details please give me a call or drop me an email.

Samina Aslam chairsheffieldu3a.org.uk

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Vacancy - Secretary of Sheffield U3A

Who and What is the Secretary of SU3A?

I'm Jenny and I became the secretary within a year of joining SU3A. I think we have a marvellous organisation and wanted to contribute something back. I am a member of the Executive Committee and my role is to support and help the Chair and other members of the EC as well as giving my views on any matters that are raised. I organise the meetings along with the Chair and am responsible for the administration requirements of the EC, for example filing copies of minutes and reports. I do not do the minutes of any meetings, we have a wonderful minutes secretary who does all that. I organise and distribute the EC calendar and raise awareness of any points being raised on the National Office website. I also act as a contact point for any members who do not know who they need to speak to.

Who supports me? The Chair and I work very closely but all the EC members are available if and when required. Initially, I worked closely with previous secretaries until I felt more comfortable in the role.

Skills required? A good organiser, be comfortable with using a PC and the internet, be a good listener.

How much time does it take? 1-2 hours per week subject to any upcoming meetings.

What have I got out of it? Satisfaction that I have been able to help some members and that my contribution has made a difference. I, too, have learned many new things.

If you are interested or want more details please give me a call or drop me an email.

Jenny Graaf secretarysheffieldu3a.org.uk 07955 679703

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GROUP NEWS

TourTalk is hear/here

The U3A Deaf Group is pleased to announce that Sheffield U3A now have the TourTalk system and it is available for use by any U3A group. The way that it works is that you have a transmitter that can, for instance, be worn with a lapel microphone and any number of people who use hearing aids and have a 'T' setting can receive sounds via a neck loop. Otherwise they can use an earpiece or headphones instead.

The Deaf Group is still welcoming new members and from January meetings will be in the early evening from 5.30 pm on the first Thursday of each month at the Quaker Meeting House, 10 St James' Street, Sheffield, S1 2EW.

For more details about TourTalk availability or the Deaf Group meetings, please contact Chris Carter.

Chris Carter can be contacted by text on 07855 908007 or e-mail *U3AChrisCartergmail.com*

Bridge in Stocksbridge

Would you like to play Bridge in the North of Sheffield? We meet every Tuesday from 2-5 pm at The Venue, Manchester Road, Stocksbridge. It is a friendly group and we make new players very welcome. Unusually, we do not have regular partners so players can come on their own and be paired up on the day.



There is easy parking and tea and biscuits are provided.

Sorry, but we cannot accommodate absolute beginners.

Contact: Bob Smith (0114) 288 8624 or email smithr383gmail.com



"Didn't they do well?"... is an apt phrase from the late Sir Bruce Forsyth describing the 2017 performance of our Croquet Group. There is certainly plenty of which U3A can be proud.

In croquet competitions one can play either with extra turns, depending on one's handicap, or without (called level play). SU3A players have excelled in both types of play this summer, nearly sweeping the board at regional level.



Brian Cave and Peter Reed receiving their trophy

Our first team won the Yorkshire level play league. The second team came second in the Yorkshire handicap league. Two players (Brian Cave and Peter Reed) won the inaugural Yorkshire doubles tournament. Two more (Rosemary Newall and Colleen Thomas) came fourth out of 10 teams entering. For 2017 we asked to join the East Midlands level play league and were put in division 2, which we won by the tightest of margins. We were undefeated with 2 wins and 3 draws.

2018 will see us in the top division of the East Midlands league competing against nationally known croquet names. This could be an eye-opener to us but we relish the prospect!



Are you considering croquet in 2018? Don't be put off thinking you need to be good to start with us. All but one of the players who contributed to the 2017 success were complete novices when they joined. The majority of members, however, come just to play within the group, enjoying the game and having a good social afternoon.

So, if you are between 55 and 93 years young (ages of our youngest and oldest members) you'll find a welcome and plenty of initial instruction: get in touch with the coordinator next February as we do have vacancies.

Peter Jones Coordinator (0114) 230 5987

Yoga - Onwards and Upwards - Tuesdays 3.15 pm

This is a gentle yoga class for those who have some experience of yoga already (and returners to yoga practice). Relaxed, yet invigorating yoga to strengthen muscles, increase flexibility, mobility and balance as well as to promote an all-round sense of well-being. This class combines warm-ups, basic yoga postures, breathing exercises and a guided relaxation session. Modifications can be given and postures adapted to suit individual ability.

Sessions take place at Fairplay Sport, 7 Westbrook Court, Sharrowvale Road, Sheffield, S11 8YZ. £7 per session or £5 for block booking.

Ann Evans (0114) 3486607 or 07810 657779

Coordinator tattyheadx2gmail.com

Golden Wedding Celebration

The Sunday Walking Group recently celebrated the Golden Wedding of members Peter and Barbara Davis. Group coordinator David Hydes presented the couple with an appropriately named "Golden Wedding" rose.

Peter and Barbara are long-time members of the U3A and regularly walk with our group on Sundays as well as N Group on Fridays.



John Williams Sunday Walkers

Remember! Copy deadline for the April 2018 *Links* is 22 February 2018

International Diners seeks new Group Coordinator

A new Group Coordinator and/or a new Deputy Coordinator is needed. International Diners is a well-established group corresponding mostly by email and organizing member-led meals at restaurants throughout Sheffield. Recently, British, Italian, Caribbean, Thai and Indian establishments have been visited with an average of sixteen attendees per meeting. The group can serve as an occasional opportunity for SU3A members to meet those from other groups. The current Group Coordinator will be stepping down in 2018 but will be available, for a time, to advise on duties and management ideas. Various tasks within the group could be shared or rearranged between members. To enquire further please contact the current coordinator:

John Wragg (0114) 236 8475

Complementary Therapies Group

Our U3A Complementary Therapies Group has now celebrated its first birthday, we are a group of folk who have a keen interest in the whole field of Complementary Therapies in all their manifestations.

Are you a practising therapist who would like to learn more about developing your therapy or finding out about others? Are complementary therapies of value in your own life, might you like to know what else is out there? Or are you unsure about the whole field of complementary therapies, but would be fascinated to learn more? Do consider joining our group - we have had a varied and interesting programme over the past year, including demonstrations, talks, and social events. In addition, when Spring arrives, we hope to plan some trips to local places of interest. We meet once a month on Friday mornings from 10.30-12.30, and are a friendly and relaxed bunch.

To find out more, please drop me a line on *lizziecraftsgmail.com*, or do call me on 07749 174588. Better still, come along and see what you think!

Liz Lucas Coordinator

Calling Ukulele Players

I am a ukulele beginner and I've met some other ukulele players – beginners and improvers. We'd like to set up a ukulele group in the Stannington or North West areas of Sheffield. The sessions would be good for practice but also for enjoyment – we want to have some fun.



We'd welcome all-comers, irrespective of ability and especially those who have a bit more experience.

If you're interested in joining us please email Diane Bingham at *dianejohnstiscali.co.uk* and/or come along to the Drop-In session on Tuesday 2 January.

Get the low-down on low-energy homes Sustainability Group

Why spend money generating heat when it's already there all around you? That's the principle behind Passivhaus homes, which are designed and insulated to take advantage of heat sources like the sun, human occupants, household appliances and the air passing out of the building. As a consequence, the need for space heating is dramatically reduced – typically by 75% compared with standard practice for UK new-build.

Sheffield-based Paul Testa Architecture is winning a reputation for applying Passivhaus methods to new-build and retro-fit projects across the city and beyond, paying particular attention to the comfort and health of occupants as well as energy-saving aspects. Paul Testa will be talking about the practice's work to members of the Sustainability Group at 2.15pm on Thursday 25 January. The meeting will be held at the Showroom in the Cafe Bar room (beyond the main coffee bar). U3A members who would like to know more about Passivhaus are welcome to attend, but please indicate your intention to do so in advance to:

Jo Couldry Coordinator (0114) 268 5496 jocouldryyahoo.co.uk

EVENTS



Classical Concertgoers: Bridgewater Hall, Manchester Wednesday 21 March 2018 at 2.15pm

Halle Orchestra Conductor: Jonathon Heyward Piano: Benjamin Grosvenor Organ: Jonathan Scott

Weber Overture: Oberon Beethoven Piano Concerto No.3 Saint-Saëns Symphony No 3 'Organ'

We have never, to my knowledge, heard the organ at the Bridgewater Hall. Now we have the opportunity with Saint-Saëns' impressive 'Organ Symphony'. Of composing the piece, Saint-Saëns wrote: "I gave everything to it that I was able to give. What I have here accomplished, I will never achieve again." No apologies for once again hearing Benjamin Grosvenor play. Beethoven's Third Piano Concerto is a work that tests the mettle of any soloist and, as one of our finest young pianists in Britain, he is sure to rise to the occasion.

We have booked fifty seats in our usual rows in the stalls. There will be time before the concert to have a light lunch and drinks in the Stalls Café Bar or in one of the restaurants nearby. Alternatively some may wish to walk a little further to Manchester Art Gallery where there is an excellent café on the ground floor. Nearby is the Central Library with a self-service café and an excellent music library!

The coach will leave the bus stop at the junction of Knowle Lane/ Ecclesall Road at **11am**. The cost of the ticket, coach travel and driver's gratuity is **£31.00**. *Continued on page 23...*

Sheffield U3A Group and Activities Pages: December 2017

To join Sheffield U3A please contact Rita Webster-Carr (Initial Enquiries Officer) on (0114) 230 8866, Email enquiry@sheffieldu3a.org.uk Anyone wishing to join a Group should ring the Coordinator first. If you find the Group is full, has a waiting list, or wish to suggest a new Group, please ring the appropriate General Coordinator, or (01433) 659864. Groups currently notifying they have vacancies are marked with V in the following pages. Full details and some Group programmes can also be found on our website - www.sheffieldu3a.org.uk

Sheffield U3A is committed to the principles of inclusion and good access wherever possible. We are making every effort to ensure that our activities are available to everyone who wishes to actively participate.

ACCESS: to Group meetings and activities is listed using the following key –

MH : Member's Home – access variable; if you have specific needs please contact the Group Coordinator

PVHL: Public Venue - meeting is fully accessible, including a hearing loop

: Public Venue - meeting is fully accessible but does not include a hearing loop

PVAL: Public Venue – meeting access is limited; if you have specific needs please contact the Group Coordinator

: Outdoor

Wednesday Afternoon Monthly. Tu.-, w = Tuesday All Day Weekly. 4w = 4 weeks. AREA:- The Postal Area in which **MEETINGS:** This shows Day, Time and Frequency- e.g. *Mo.am.f* = *Monday Morning Fortnightly. We.pm.m* = the Group meets – e.g. (SE) indicates that the Group meets in the South East of Sheffield.

Please notify any amendments to this list to the General Coordinator team.

| Groups | Vacanc | Vacancies Meeting | Area | Access | Coordinator | Telephone |
|--------------------------------|--------|-------------------|----------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Art | | | Set | General Coordinator | | |
| Art (SE) | > | We.pm.w | S13 | PVAL | Paul Garland | 269 3219 |
| Artl | > | We.am.w | S11 | PVHL | Dariel Merrills | 230 5952 |
| Art II | | Th.pm.w | S11 | ρV | Pauline Miller | 258 3678 |
| Art III | > | We.pm.w | S11 | ρV | Miriam Currie | 01246 414 274 |
| Art on Tuesday | > | Tu.pm.w | S11 | ρV | Graham Woodthorpe | 0114 2960535 |
| Aspects of Art I | > | Th.pm.m | S7 | PV | Connie Jackson & Sheila Harris | 263 1537 or 236 9653 |
| Aspects of Art II | | Th.pm.m | S7 | PV | Valerie Wiley | 236 0726 |
| Outdoor Sketching | > | Fr.am.f | various | 0 | Dariel Merrills | 230 5952 |
| Arts and Crafts | | | Set D | General Coordinator Tricia Rogerson | | |
| Architecture Past and Present | | 2ndTu.pm.m | 88 | ρV | Roy Pilkington | 255 8948 |
| Crochet and Knitting | > | Tu.pm.f | SS | PVAL | Jane Whitehead | 457 7740 |
| Dressmaking | > | Mo.am.f | S11 | ΡΛ | Eve Fawcett | 230 1023 |
| Dressmaking and Sewing | > | Mo.am.f | S11 | ΡΛ | Ellen Johnson | 2683291 |
| Handwork & Craft II | | Th.am.f | S11 | ¥ | Elspeth Eggington | 230 8755 |
| Knitting | | We.am.m | S10/11/17 | ¥ | Jane Harling | 230 9576 |
| Knitting II | | Th.am.f | S | PVAL | Helen Gwyddanes | 221 6360 |
| Patch & Quilt | | Mo.pm.f | S17 | HW | Inge Davies | 236 0318 |
| Photography | > | 3rdTh.pm.m | S7 | PV | lan Eyre & Pat Robins | 07788296975 or 01246 416850 |
| Quilting Hive | > | Mo.pm. | 88 | МН | Lynne Brown | 237 7643 |
| Video Production (Documentary) | > | Mo.am.w | Sheffield area | МН | lan Barkley | 01709 812 351 |
| Woodworking/Woodcarving | | Th.pm.w | S7 | МН | Bob Adkins | 255 1968 |
| Bird Watching | | | Set A | General Coordinator Stephanie Dixon | | |
| Bird Watching I | | Mo.am.f | various | 0 | Robin Peel | 07942 920741 |
| Bird Watching II | > | Wew | various | 0 | Malcolm Swift | 01246 906819 |
| Cards and Board Games | | | Set C | General Coordinator Barbara Lowe | | |
| Bridge - Friday I | > | Fr.pm.w | S17 | PV | John Strange | 01246 416 558 |
| Bridge - Friday II | > | Fr.pm.w | S10 | ρV | Brian Jeremiah | 230 7250 |
| Bridge - Monday | > | Mo.pm.w | S17 | ρV | Colin Jessop | 266 3831 |
| Bridge - Thursday | > | Th.pm.w | S17 | ρV | Brenda Fryer | 236 5628 |
| Bridge - Tuesday | > | Tu.am.w | S7 | ρV | Michael Brumby | 236 5676 |
| Bridge - Wednesday | > | We.am.w | S17 | PVAL | Jean Bowie | 230 1002 |

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| Bridge Stocksbridge | > | Tu.pm.w | 836 | PV | Bob Smith | 288 8624 |
| Chess | > | Tu.pm. 4 wkly | S17 | МН | Sheila Hardie | 236 4498 |
| Evening Rummikub | | Mo.eve.w | S17 | МН | Chris Cave | 236 4648 |
| Mah Jong | > | We.eve.w | S7 | МН | Barbara Lowe | 248 8367 |
| Rummikub (SE) | | Mo.pm.f | S13 | МН | Joan Brown | 269 4829 |
| Rummikub (SE) II | | Mo.pm.f | S20 | МН | Barbara Steel | 247 4696 |
| Rummikub I | | Mo.pm.f | S7/8/17 | MH | Shirley Wilks | 438 0480 |
| Rummikub II | | Mo.pm.w | S10 | НМ | Rita Webster-Carr | 230 8866 |
| Scrabble | > | Fr.pm.f | S11 | λd | Rosemary Newall | 236 0728 |
| Tabletop Gaming | > | Mo.pm.w | S | PVAL | Keith Jones | 270 6648 |
| Whist cntrct & dble 12 Dominoes | > | Su.eve.w | various | НМ | Gerald Cartwright | 266 7032 |
| Discussion, Philosophy, Economics | ics and Religion | LC C | Set C | General Coordinator Barbara Lowe | | |
| Current Affairs Discussion | > | 2nd.Th.am.m | S17 | ρV | Paul Close & Stephen Geary | 268 3082 |
| Discussion I | | Tu.pm.f | various | МН | Claire Attwood | 280 8286 |
| Discussion II | > | Tu.am.m | various | МН | Mary Alexander | 255 6385 |
| Feminist Reading Group | | 2nd.Tu.am.m | S | Null | Christine McMullen | Not listed |
| Feminists Over Fifty | > | 1st Tu.am/2nd We.am/3rd Mo.am/4th Tu.eve.m | S | ρV | Maggie McCarthy | 230 6600 |
| Personal Finance | > | Mo.pm.m | S11 | PV | Helen Marsh | 230 1622 |
| Philosophy- Hist/Classical | | 2ndMo.pm.m | S11 | PV | John Kirkman | 236 1971 |
| Practical Philosophy | | Th.pm., 3 wkly | S10 | МН | Martin Manby | 230 6505 |
| South India - Talk and Travel | > | Su. | S11 | МН | John Wragg | 236 8475 |
| Sugar & Spice | > | Mo.pm.f. | 88 | МН | Eunice Southgate | 281 1876 |
| Gardening | | | Set D | General Coordinator Tricia Rogerson | | |
| Flying Gardeners | > | 5th .We.am | various | 0 | Shelagh Woolliscroft | 255 8948 |
| Gardening (SE) | > | Tu.am.f | various | PVAL | Carol Wright | 251 0140 |
| Gardening C | | Mo.am.m | S10/11/1 | МН | Heather Curtis | 255 7228 |
| Gardening D | > | 2ndTu.am.m | various | PV | Helen Drury | 236 7053 |
| Gardening Greenfingers | > | 2ndTu.pm.m | 88 | PV | Jane Gregory | 274 9246 |
| Gardening at Whirlowbrook Park | > | 2nd & 4th We.am.m | S17 | Null | Shelagh Woolliscroft | 255 8948 |
| History | | | SetA | General Coordinator Stephanie Dixon | | |
| European History | | 4thTu.pm.m | S1 | PV | John Evans | 230 1173 |
| Family History I | | 2ndWe.am.m | S11 | PVAL | Annie Grassick | 230 2777 |
| Family History III | > | 2nd Tu.am.m | St | PVAL | Tim Simkins | 230 2656 |

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| Family History IV | | 4thWe.am.m | S11 | PVAL | Monica Stagg | 07870 350271 |
| Greece and Rome | > | Frpm.m | S11 | МН | Anne Thomas | 230 5281 |
| History I | > | Tu.am.f | S17 | PV | Janet Haigh | 230 3070 |
| Local History (SE) | > | We.pm.f | S21 | - A | Margaret Troop | 287 4448 |
| Military History | > | Th.pm.m | S7 | PV | John Green | 230 7768 |
| Visiting History | > | Tu.pm.m | various | PVAL | Jenny Clark | 266 9395 |
| Languages | | | Set B | General Coordinator Ann Granville | <u>a</u> | |
| Cercle Francais I | | Fr.am.w | S11 | N. | Tina Powell-Wiffen | 2551032 |
| Cercle Francais II | | Mo.pm.f | S10 | MH | Hilda Hinchcliffe | 230 2561 |
| Classical Greek | > | We.pm.f | S1 | PV | Deidre Eastburn | 281 8446 |
| English Language | > | Tu.am.m | S11 | MH | Maggie Lyons | 236 6195 |
| French for Holidays | | Mo.pm.f | S7 | WH | Usha Fitch | 236 5009 |
| French-Advanced | > | Fr.am.w | S10 | PΛ | Peter Keen | 236 4914 |
| French-Intermediate | | Th.am.w | S11 | PV | Pauline Wiley | 286 4085 |
| German for Improvers | | Mo.am.w | S18 | МН | Anne Bonell | 01246 416094 |
| German-Advanced | > | Tu.pm.f | S6/8/10/17 | MH | Janice Forder | 236 4083 |
| German-Intermediate | | Mo.am.w | S11 | PVAL | Katharine Brown | 265 6477 |
| Italian | | Tu.pm.f | S10/11/6 | MH | Brian Bailey | 266 4678 |
| Italian for Holidays | > | Fr.pm.w | S11 | PV | Mike Hague | 236 6336 |
| Latin - Old Skool | | Mo.pm.f | S1 | PV | Paul Cordwell | 3273954 |
| Latin II | | 2nd & 4th Fr.am.m | S1 | PΛ | Jane Blockeel | 236 6861 |
| Latin | | We.pm.f | S10 | МН | Deidre Eastburn | 281 8446 |
| Latin Improvers | | Mo.am.f | S1 | PΛ | Rose Tanner | 245 0200 |
| Mandarin | | We.am.w | S10 | МН | Helen Gwyddanes | 221 6360 |
| Modern Greek | > | Th.pm.f | S11 | МН | Margaret Halstead | 258 2541 |
| Portuguese For Fun | | Tu.am.w | S11 | МН | Pauline Miller | 258 3678 |
| Portuguese Improvers | | Mo.am.w | S11 | MH | Pat Cantrill | 230 8571 |
| Sanskrit Improvers | | Th.am.w | 22 | РΛ | Kath Odonovan | 268 1833 |
| Scottish Gaelic | > | Tu.pm.f | various | MH | Steve Clements | 255 8422 |
| Spanish - Rapid Beginners 2 | > | Tu.pm.w | 88 | PΛ | Bill Horner | 249 4921 |
| Spanish Advanced | > | Th.am.w | S7 | PV | Stefan Finka | 237 6132 |
| Spanish Improvers | | Mo.pm.w | S10 | MH | Israel Newton | 266 3138 |
| Spanish Improvers II | > | Mo.am.w | S10 | MH | Diana Jackson | 0771 1636047 |

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| Spanish Stage 2 | | We.pm.w | various | MH | Greta Pearman | 236 3336 |
| Welsh Beginners | | Tu.am.w | various | MH | Steve Clements | 255 8422 |
| Welsh Conversation | | Tu.am.f | various | MH | Geoffrey Turner | 01142309054 |
| Welsh Intermediate | > | Tu.am.f | various | MH | Nigel Thomas | 281 6611 |
| Literature and Drama | | | Set B | General Coordinator Ann Granville | | |
| Book Group I | | Fr.am.m | S17 | Àd | Margaret Walton | 255 6563 |
| Book Group II | | Fr.am.m | S17 | Ad | Sally Carter | 236 2066 |
| Book Group III | | 2ndTu.am.m | S17 | M | Wendy Jenrick | 268 7047 |
| Book Group IV | | Fr.am.m | S17 | Ad | Mary Whyms | 236 8628 |
| Book Group V | | Tu.pm.m | S11 | HW | Mary Brookes | 235 0180 |
| Bookworm | > | Fr.pm.m | S36 | PV | Angela Butler | 288 4778 |
| Creative Writing | > | Fr.pm.m | S36 | PV | Meg Jepson | 288 2929 |
| Drama Study | | Tu.pm.f | S11 | ΗW | John Parsons | 230 4902 |
| Enjoying Literature | > | We.am.f | S7 | MH | Roger Smith | 07582 458050 |
| Film Appreciation | > | Tu.pm.m | S1 | PV | Lesley Dixon | 268 5881 |
| Novel Reading I | > | Mo.pm., 4 wkly | S10 | MH | Pam West | 266 2188 |
| Novel Reading II | > | Mo.pm.m | S11 | MH | Kay Beeston | 01433 631 247 |
| Novel Reading III | > | 2ndFr.am.m | various | HW | Judith Vernier | 01246 418607 |
| Novel Reading IV | > | Fr.am.m | જ | MH | Anne Chatterton | 266 8998 |
| Play Reading I | | Tu.pm., 4 wkly | various | MH | Mike West | 266 2188 |
| Play Reading II | | Last Tu.pm.m | S10 | MH | John Lees & Irene Lees | 267 1857 |
| Poetry Study | | We.pm.f. | S11 | HW | Freda Green | 236 4882 |
| Poetry for Pleasure | > | We.pm.f | S17 | ΗW | Pat Parkin | 236 8009 |
| Reading for pleasure | > | Th.pm.m | S17 | HW | Susan Kirkman | 236 1971 |
| Shakespeare for Pleasure | > | Tu.am.f | S10/11 | MH | Kay Nicholson | 268 6220 |
| Story Writers | > | Tu.am., 4 wkly | various | HW | Margaret Briddon | 262 0501 |
| World of The Book | > | We.am.m | S1 | PVAL | Denise West | 274 6797 |
| Music | | | Set C | General Coordinator Barbara Lowe | | |
| A Cappella Singers | | Tu.pm.f | various | HW | Stephanie Dixon | 247 0119 |
| Drumming | | Th.pm.w | S1 | PV | John Lee | 233 8517 |
| Enjoying Opera | | Mo.pm.f | S10 | HW | John Williams | 230 4568 |
| Guitar Group | > | Mo.pm.f | SI | PV | John Stevens | 236 3557 |
| Guitar Group II | > | We.eve.f | S10 | MH | Kirk Davis | 01142302932 |

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| Guitar Group III | > | Th.eve.f | S10 | WH. | Kirk Davis | 01142302932 |
| Handbell Ringing | > | We.eve.w | S35 | PVAL | Margaret Naylor | 236 0245 |
| Jazz Appreciation I | | 2ndTu.am.m | S10 | MH | John Green | 230 7768 |
| Jazz Appreciation II | | 3rdTu.am.m | S7 | MH | David Bone | 268 1016 |
| Music Appreciation | > | Th.pm.f | 98 | № | David Andrews | 235 3389 |
| Recorder | | Fr.am.f | S | PVAL | Linda Evans | 230 1173 |
| Singing for Pleasure | | Fr.pm.f | S1 | PVAL | Irene Lees | 267 1857 |
| Ukulele | | Fr.pm.f | 88 | PVAL | Ann Beedham | 274 8331 |
| Vintage Voices | > | Mo.am.w | S1 | PVAL | Carole Hurst | 293 9163 |
| Physical Activities | | | Set Set D | General Coordinator Tricia Rogerson | | |
| Balance Aid | > | Th.pm.w | S11 | Λd | Ann Evans | 348 6607 |
| Belly Dancing Stocksbridge | > | Tu.am.w | 836 | ρΛ | Kathryn Smith | 283 1171 |
| Bowling Crn Grn (SE) | > | Th.am.w | SS | 0 | John Hunt | 269 8811 |
| Bowling Crown Green | | Mo.am.Th.am.w | 88 | 0 | Tony Hobson | 281 5373 |
| Country Dancing | > | Tu.pm.f | S7 | λd | Anne Marples | 266 8794 |
| Croquet | > | We.am., Tu.pm., Th.pm.w | S11 | 0 | Peter Jones | 230 5987 |
| Cyclists Midweek | > | Mof | various | 0 | Alan Bailey | 236 7219 |
| Fitness: Tailor made for you | > | Mo.pm., Tu.am., Th.am., Fr.am | S11 | Λd | Ann Evans | 348 6607 |
| Pilates | | Tu.am.w | S18 | PVAL | Vera Dyer | 237 7854 |
| Racketball | > | Mo.am., Th.am.w | S17 | PVAL | Peter Keen | 236 4914 |
| Racketball Stocksbridge | > | Tu.am.w | 836 | À | Elaine Smith | 288 8624 |
| Table Tennis | | Mo., Th.am.w | S17 | Λd | Belinda Taylor & John Warwick | 230 4489 or 253 0789 |
| Tai Chi & Chi Kung Intermediate | | Fr.pm.w | S17 | Λd | Pat Ryan & Clare Ryan | 236 8749 |
| Tai Chi & Chi Kung West Sheffleld Group 2 | > | Th.pm.w | 811 | | Ron Jarman | 2306878 |
| Tai Chi & Chi Kung West Sheffeld Group1 | | We.pm.w | S11 | | Ron Jarman | 2306878 |
| Tai Chi Stocksbridge | > | Fr.am.w | 836 | λd | Christopher Goldthorpe | 01226 762 201 |
| Yoga | > | Th.pm.w | S11 | <u>M</u> | Anne Ledbetter | 01246 488038 |
| roga - Restorative | > | Tu.pm.w | S11 | Λd | Ann Evans | 348 6607 |
| Yoga, Onwards and Upwards | > | Tu.pm.w | S11 | Λd | Ann Evans | 348 6607 |
| Science and Technology, Social Science | - | | Set C | General Coordinator Barbara Lowe | | |
| Civil Engineering | > | Mo.am.m | S10 | MH | Anne Marples | 266 8794 |
| Complementary Therapies | > | Alt.Th and Fr.ams.m | various | PVAL | Liz Lucas | 288 5996 |
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| Geology | | Wem | various | 0 | David Edmonds | 234 3604 |
| Maths | > | Tu.am.m | 88 | PV | Alan Zinober | 2367001 |
| Natural History | | 3rd .Thm | various | 0 | John Roberts & Aline Roberts | 230 6487 or 07752675363 |
| Science & Technology | | Mo.am.m | 88 | Α | Roy Stanley | 230 2941 |
| Sustainable Development | > | Mo.pm.m | Central | PVAL | Jo Couldry | 268 5496 |
| Theoretical Physics | > | We.pm.m | S11 | PVAL | John Edwards | 296 2050 |
| Social | | | Set D | General Coordinator Tricia Rogerson | | |
| After Hours | | Eve/wk.end | various | PVAL | Mary Entwisle | 255 2368 |
| Afternoon Tea | | We.pm.m | various | A | June Jackson | 236 4474 |
| Dining Out | | Wed.eve.m | various | PVAL | Ann Rook | 236 0315 |
| Indian Veggie Buffet | > | 1st Th.eve.m. | various | A | John Wragg | 236 8475 |
| International Diners | > | Various | various | PV | John Wragg | 236 8475 |
| Lunch Group | > | 3rdTh.m | various | PV | Diane Brooke | 01709 371800 |
| Walking | | | Set A | General Coordinator Stephanie Dixon | | |
| Dippers I (4-6mls) | > | Mof | various | À | Jacqueline Smith | 07730 275999 |
| Dippers Too (7-10mls) | > | Mof | various | 0 | Bill Barraclough | 230 3945 |
| Gannets (5-7mls) | | Mof | various | 0 | John Lees | 267 1857 |
| Late Walkers (5mls) | > | We.am.w | various | 0 | Jill Whyms | 258 9935 |
| Learning Outdoors Walking Group | | Thw | various | Null | Judy Thompson | 2678435 |
| Short Walks NW | > | Th.am.w | various | 0 | Joan Crofts | 07917150962 |
| Strollers I (Public Trspt.) | | Wef | various | 0 | Michael Ball | 287 9226 |
| Strollers II (Public Trspt.) | > | Mof | various | 0 | Sheila Hewitt | 268 6891 |
| Strollers II (Saturday) | > | Sa.am.f | various | 0 | Norman Benson | 236 1080 |
| Strollers II (Tuesday) | > | Tu.am.f | various | 0 | Shirley Tasker | 274 6986 |
| Strollers III (Public Trspt.) | | Wef | various | 0 | Pat Clifton | 251 0450 |
| Strollers III (Saturday) | > | Sa.am.f | various | 0 | Angela Lam | 01246 416 842 |
| Strollers SE(Saturday) | > | Sa.am.f | various | 0 | Christine Edwards | 01909 773 548 |
| Sunday Ramblers | > | Suf | various | 0 | Jenny Parker | 236 0798 |
| Sunday Walkers (7-9 mls) | > | Suf | various | 0 | David Hydes | 288 7815 |
| Walk & Talk German | > | Fr.am.f | various | 0 | Antje Barker | 268 3912 |
| Walking Grp A (5-6mls) | > | Alt Tu./We.w | various | 0 | Pat Crook | 265 4731 |
| Walking Grp B (6-7mls) | > | Tuw | various | 0 | Joyce Cooper | 236 2730 |
| Walking Grp C (5-7mls) | > | Wew | various | 0 | Gilbert Smith | 230 5769 |

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| Valking Grp D (9-11mls) | | Alt We./Th.w | various | 0 | David Levine | 258 9026 |
| Valking Grp E (5-7mls) | > | Alt We./Th.w | various | 0 | Chris Cave | 236 4648 |
| Walking Grp F (10-14mls) | | Alt We./Th.w | various | 0 | Peter Digby | 236 6821 |
| Valking Grp G (5-7mls) | > | Th.am.w | various | 0 | Tim Caley & Pauline Caley | 230 3212 |
| Walking Grp H (9-11mls) | | Mow | various | 0 | Ray Goulding | 2306905 |
| Valking Grp J (10-14mls) | > | Alt Tu./We.w | various | 0 | Alan Heath | 230 4898 |
| Valking Grp K (4-5 mls) Pub Trspt. | | Thf | various | 0 | Pat Clifton | 251 0450 |
| Valking Grp L (4-5 mls) | | Th.am.w | various | 0 | Barbara Cassidy | 262 0699 |
| Valking Grp M (5 - 8 mls) | > | Frw | various | 0 | Gordon Young | 296 2402 |
| Valking Grp N (6 - 7mls) | > | Fr.am.w | various | 0 | Sylvia McColm | 236 5872 |
| Valking Grp NW (5 - 8mls) | > | Th.am.w | various | 0 | Pauline Shaw | 07752 638350 |
| Valking Grp P (8 -10mls) | | Alt We./Th.w | various | 0 | Anne Fitzpatrick | 236 0989 |
| Valking Grp Q (5-7mls) | > | Tu.am.f | S5/S35 | 0 | Anne Chatterton & Lorraine Brooks | 266 8998 or 246 1051 |
| Walking Grp R (7 - 9mls) | | Mow | various | 0 | Camilla Jordan | 268 5355 |
| Valking Grp SE (6 - 8 mls) | > | Tuw | various | 0 | Johanna Lattimer | 268 1227 |
| Short Courses | Set | Set Meeting | | | Coordinator | Telephone |
| Map Reading for Walkers | SetA | Set A Various | various | 0 | Gordon MacNair | 258 5442 |
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| Classical Concertgoers | Set C | Set C various | | PV | Pamela Sandford | 236 1815 |
| European Travel Group | SetD | Set D various | | PV | Samina Aslam | 235 1489 |
| unch & Lecture | Set B | Set B Twice yearly | 88 | PV | Dorothy Sutcliffe | 268 5918 |
| Steel City Wanderers | Set D | Set D 3 or 4 times a year | various | PV | Pat Ryan & Clare Ryan | 236 8749 |
| ravel Group | Set D | Set D various | | ΡV | Barbara Robertshaw | 236 9102 |
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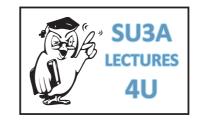
To apply, please complete the form below and return to me with a **small sae.** We have experienced unprecedented demand for our last two concerts so please send your application as soon as you can.

NB May 2018 Opera North's production of *Kiss Me Kate*. The prices are far higher than we usually pay so we have decided to look for a summer concert at one of the symphony halls instead.

| Pamela Sandfo | ord (0114) 236 1815 |
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| | Classical Concertgoers: Bridgewater Hall, Manchester Wednesday 21 March 2018 at 2.15pm |
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Friday Lectures at the Showroom Cinema

All members are able to attend these lectures free of charge. Occasionally there is a retiring collection for the speaker's nominated charity.



Lectures are held in Cinema 4 at the Showroom Cinema, Paternoster Row, on the third Friday of the month and start at 11.00 am, finishing at around 12.30 pm. A voucher, obtainable from the box office, enables half-price parking at Q-park on Arundel Gate. There is a greeter wearing a U3A lanyard badge to welcome new members. The café opens at 10.00 am and refreshments are available before and after the lecture.

The team will endeavour to post last-minute changes on the website. There is no booking system - it is 'first come, first served'. Queries to Shelagh Woolliscroft: (0114) 255 8948

15 December - Humour in Film Martin Carter, Principal Lecturer in Film Studies, Sheffield Hallam University.

What makes people laugh? If we knew that then every comedy film, play and television show would have us all rolling in the aisles... but they do not. This meandering ramble through the history of screen comedy will also not provide an answer to that question but will hopefully illustrate the wide range of what some of us do find funny... and others don't.

Martin is a principal lecturer in Film Studies at Sheffield Hallam University. He has specific interests in Documentary, British Cinema and Cinema Architecture. He regularly introduces films at the Showroom which often demonstrates that not everyone will find your funny lines funny.

There will be a special two-course lunch on offer after the lecture, price £10. Please book and pay in advance via the Showroom Tel (0114) 275 7727.

19 January - 'Love on the Dole' and beyond: Walter Greenwood's forgotten story

Chris Hopkins, Professor of English Studies and Head of the Humanities Research Centre at Sheffield Hallam University.

Walter Greenwood is remembered chiefly for his 1933 novel 'Love on the Dole', but very little is known of his subsequent novels and other writing. There is no biography of him, but Chris Hopkins is about to rectify that with a book due out in April 2018. This illustrated lecture is based on Chris' research for the book and will trace Walter Greenwood's life, career and status as the most famous working class writer and celebrity of his time.

16 February - Deeds not Words: The story of women's rights, then and now -Dr Helen Pankhurst

On the 100th anniversary of women getting the vote, Helen Pankhurst - great-granddaughter of suffragette leader Emmeline Pankhurst and a leading women's rights campaigner - charts how women's lives have changed over the last century, and offers a powerful and positive argument for a new way forward. Signed copies of Dr Pankhurst's newly published book will be available for sale.

16 March - A happy accident: the meeting of three great artists in St Ives - Andy Pollard, Senior Lecturer in Creative Media, Sheffield Hallam University

In this lecture, Andy will explore the impact on English modern art of a chance meeting in 1928 between London modernist Ben Nicholson, his young contemporary Christopher Wood and the 'fisherman artist' Alfred Wallis in St Ives. Paintings by all three will illustrate their mutually inspired approach to Cornwall's landscape and people.

U3A Study Day Thursday 19 April 2018 'Exploring Ideas of Identity and Nationality'

Where: The Arundel Room in the Millennium Galleries (the Arundel Room is at the far end of the Galleries on the right when entering from the Winter Gardens).

When: Thursday 19 April 2018 at 10.30 am

Recent turbulent world events: Brexit, increased migrations across Europe, for example, have prompted people in many countries to examine who they are and what are the identifying characteristics of being part of their society. On what criteria do we base our ideas of nationality? How valid are these? Are nationality and identity, the same? During this study day we hope to explore some of these themes, with the help of three speakers who have expertise in this area.

Format of the day:

Lecture 1 10.30 - 11.30 (talk followed by questions) Liz Waring, Curator of Visual Art, Graves Gallery – 'Comfort Blanket: securing works on the theme of identity in Sheffield's collection'.

Liz will talk about the Grayson Perry tapestry, *Comfort Blanket*, and place it in the context of the collecting theme of identity. She will also refer to other works collected around this theme. The tapestry can be viewed in the Graves gallery. There will be time to do this at the end of the day.

Lecture 2 11.50 -12.50 Professor Antony Taylor, Professor of Modern British History at Sheffield Hallam University. 'Britons and Brexit'.

This lecture will consider the changing parameters of national identity in the United Kingdom in the first quarter of the twenty-first century (further information on SU3A website). Professor Taylor has published widely in the field of 19th century British History and has expertise in the history of ideas and the use of the past by politicians in Britain, amongst other areas.

LUNCH 12.50 - 13.55 (make own arrangements)

Lecture 3 14.00 - 15.00

Dr Timothy Baycroft, Senior lecturer in Modern History at Sheffield University - 'Symbolism and National Identity'.

Dr Baycroft specialises in 19/20th century France and has research interests in nationalism, identity, and border studies. He has published several books and articles on these topics.

CLOSE 15.00 – 15.05

The cost of the day will be £10 pp to include refreshments mid-morning. If you would like to attend please complete the form below:

U3A Study Day Thursday 19 April 2018 'Exploring Ideas of Identity and Nationality'

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Enclose a small sae with your remittance and send to:
Jan Cuthbert, 21 Beechwood Road, Dronfield, S18 1PW.

(£10.00 per person), payable to Sheffield U3A.

Tel: 01246 418815

NB This information will also be on the SU3A website.



European Travel Group

Coordinator: Samina Aslam (0114 235 1489)

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History and Heritage of Malta 3 - 8 October 2018



This 6-day, 5-night holiday in Malta includes return flights from a northern airport (flight details will be confirmed once deposits are received) and includes coach transfers to and from airports here and in Malta.

Accommodation is at the 4* San

Antonia Hotel at Qawra. Transfers and excursions will be via a 49-seater private coach. Entrance fees to museums and places of interest listed in the itinerary, including a harbour cruise and return ferry tickets to Gozo, are included, along with audio headsets, as applicable. We will be accompanied throughout by a personal guide. All gratuities (except hotel) are also included. We will be visiting the 3 temples of Tarxien, Hagar Kim, Sliema, Valetta, Ggantija Temples and Victoria on Gozo, Mdina and Rabat to see the catacombs. Full details of the tour were included in the October *Links* magazine. Moderate mobility is required.

The quoted price of £966 per person, with a £119 single person supplement, is based on inland-facing rooms, on a half-board basis. A sea view may be available at £50 pp extra. All applicants must have their own travel insurance. SU3A cannot be responsible for any claims.



To reserve a place please complete the application form below and send it with a deposit cheque, made out to **Sheffield U3A ETG**, of £100.00 pp to Fran Rodway at 16 Kirkdale Close, Chesterfield, S40 2UX to arrive no later than **Friday 29th December 2017**.

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Please note: The airline schedule for 2018 has yet to be confirmed. Flights can only be booked once airlines are in receipt of names and deposit payments and are then subject to availability at the original price we have been quoted.



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Advance Notice: Travel Group Day Visits for 2018

April Victoria Baths, Manchester and Gorton Monastery

May Tissington Hall and Well Dressings

June 14 Bempton Cliffs (Bridlington) and Burton Agnes Hall

July Great Yorkshire Show August More local churches August Halifax Piece Hall

Short Breaks 2018

10-14 September Hereford (Full details and application form will be

in the April edition of Links).

Future Event 2018

Join us for a visit to the **Thursford Spectacular.** This Festive Entertainment is now in its 41st year. It is a mix of over 100 singers, dancers, musicians and speciality acts. It attracts thousands of people every year, running from November to December 2018. A high demand for seats means we have to book them early. We leave Sheffield on Sunday 2 December, stay at the Holiday Inn in Norwich and return on Tuesday 4 December. We will be visiting interesting places en route. Full details and an application form will appear in the February edition of *Links Open Groups Supplement*.



Travel Group Events



Travel Group Visit to Macclesfield Silk Museum and Little Moreton Hall Wednesday 14 March 2018

Visit the Silk Museum and journey along the Silk Road to discover Macclesfield's silk story. The museum houses exhibitions exploring the properties and production of silk, Macclesfield's diverse textile industries, workers' lives and historic machinery. Just a few yards away from the museum is the Paradise Mill which accommodates 26 restored Jacquard looms. On our guided tour we will see demonstrations of the complex process of silk weaving, as well as insights into factory life in Macclesfield during the early 20th century. Coffee/tea will be served in the morning and after a light lunch in the Museum's Tea Kitchen Restaurant, we will travel the short distance to Little Moreton Hall.

The Moreton family experienced the highs and lows of life in the 16th century. The Hall is a 500-year-old timber-framed building, surrounded by a moat and set within a small pretty garden. It survived the Civil War, spent 250 years tenanted, was in serious danger of falling over and is as intriguing as it is wonky. On a guided tour we will hear all about the secrets of this iconic Tudor treasure. The tea room is open for refreshments.

The cost of the day is £36.50 pp (or £26.50 for National Trust members). This includes coach travel, driver's gratuity, entry to both venues, coffee and biscuits and lunch at the Silk museum.

If you wish to apply for a place on this visit please complete the booking form on **page 32** and send it with a cheque and a **small sae** to Barbara Robertshaw. This is a repeat visit from earlier this year because so many members were disappointed not to be allocated a seat.



Little Moreton Hall



Travel Group Visit to Macclesfield Silk Museum and Little Moreton Hall Wednesday 14 March 2018

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Please return the completed slip and cheque with a **small sae** as soon as possible, to Barbara Robertshaw, 20 Whinfell Court, Sheffield, S11 9QA.

Please tick your preferred pick-up point below:

| Sheffield Interchange, Platform E5 | 07.45() |
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| Bus Stop Knowle Lane/Ecclesall Road South | 08.00() |

Opportunities for Members

Volunteers Please

An important part of being a member of the U3A is that those who are able to, volunteer to help with the running of the organization. We keep a list of those of you (male and female) happy to be called on for jobs that crop up in the everyday running of the Sheffield U3A. We would like to expand this. Please think if you can help and a warm welcome is extended to all, especially new U3A members.

One way you could help is at the monthly Friday Showroom Lectures

We like to have 3 volunteers available each month at the Showroom Lectures, who greet members or give a hand as is needed. It is not an onerous role at all and if we have enough people on the rota the commitment can be shared. The likelihood is that you would be asked to 'Meet and Greet' about twice a year. Stephanie Dixon keeps the rota for the Showroom so please email her if you would like to help or want further details.

If you feel you can volunteer in any other way please contact Wendy Woodhouse. Thank you to those who already volunteer - we couldn't manage without you!

Stephanie Dixon - groupsasheffieldu3a.org.uk

Wendy Woodhouse - wendywoodhousehotmail.com

Coordinators Meeting 2018 Proposed date Thursday 12 April

Please put this date in your diary and keep the day clear if you can. Confirmation and venue to be announced soon.

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Calendar 2017/2018

| Dec | 5 9 12 15 | Drop-In Session + ipad/web support: 10.00-12.00: CURC Weekenders: Quiz Night - Holy Trinity Church Hall, Millhouses Travel Group: Chester Showroom Lectures: Humour in Film |
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| 2018 | | |
| Jan | 2 19 27 | Drop-In Session + ipad/web support : 10.00-12.00: CURC Showroom Lectures: Love on the Dole – Walter Greenwood Concertgoers: English Chamber Orchestra, Leeds Town Hall |
| Feb | 6 16 | Drop-In Session + ipad/web support : 10.00-12.00: CURC Showroom Lectures: Deeds not Words – Story of women's rights |
| Mar | 6 14 16 21 | Drop-In Session + ipad/web support: 10.00-12.00: CURC Travel Group: Macclesfield Silk Museum & Little Moreton Hall Showroom Lectures: A Happy Accident - Artists of St Ives Concertgoers: Halle, Bridgewater Hall, Manchester |
| April | 3 19 | Drop-In Session + ipad/web support : 10.00-12.00: CURC Study Day: Exploring Ideas of Identity and Nationality, Showroom |
| May | 1 | Drop-In Session + ipad/web support: 10.00-12.00: CURC |

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