

Summer Lodge

COUNTRY HOUSE HOTEL & RESTAURANT

ART HISTORY TALKS 2023

Monday mornings from 10am - 1pm | £35 including refreshments

Venue: Summer Lodge Country House Hotel, 9 Fore Street, Evershot, Dorset DT2 0JR

4 September: Frans Hals (1582/83-1666)

Working in the 'Dutch Golden Age' in which Dutch trade, military, science and art were among the most acclaimed in the world, his innovative, loose brushwork created a new style of portraiture that brought his sitters to life in a relaxed manner, often smiling or laughing. (Exhibition of interest: The Credit Suisse Exhibition: Frans Hals 30 September 2023 - 21 January 2024, National Gallery.)

18 September: Neo-Romantics

A look at the works of artists such as Paul Nash, Graham Sutherland, Michael Ayrton, John Craxton, Ivon Hitchens, John Minton, John Piper, Keith Vaughan and the painters who inspired them: William Blake, Samuel Palmer, Turner and Constable.

9 October: Carl Larsson (1853-1919)

Initially an illustrator of books, magazines, and newspapers Larsson is better known for his watercolours of domestic interiors and idyllic family life that combined Swedish folk design with ideas taken from the Arts & Crafts Movement, Art Nouveau and Japonisme.

30 October: John Craxton (1922-2009)

Craxton and Lucian Freud worked in adjoining London studios for much of the war, when Craxton was mentored by Graham Sutherland and John Piper. In 1946 he travelled to Greece, where he found creative inspiration for the rest of his life. (Exhibition of interest: John Craxton: A Modern Odyssey 28 October - 21 April 2024 Pallant House, Chichester)

20 November: Elisabeth Frink (1930-1993)

A highly original, expressive, and imaginative printmaker and sculptor who produced a remarkable body of work from a very young age. By the time she died in 1993 at the age of 62, she was one of the most important British sculptors of her generation. (Exhibition of interest: Dorset Museum, Dorchester from 29 November - 21 April 2024)

4 December: Great Bardfield Artists

A look at the work of the principal artists who lived in Great Bardfield, Essex between 1930 and 1970. Namely, John Aldridge, Edward Bawden, George Chapman, Stanley Clifford-Smith, Audrey Cruddas, Walter Hoyle, Eric Ravilious, Tirzah Garwood, Sheila Robinson, Michael Rothenstein, Kenneth Rowntree and Marianne Straub.

18 December: Joaquin Sorolla (1863-1923)

A Spanish Impressionist painter whose works are characterised by representations of people and landscapes under the bright sunlight of his native land and sunlit water. His extensive and varied oeuvre includes portraits, landscapes, seascapes, garden views, bather scenes and genre scenes of Spanish life.

If you would like to make a booking for any of the above talks, please contact Jennie Spiers:

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