

THE ARTS SOCIETY OF BISHOP'S STORTFORD

A PRIVATE GUIDED TOUR OF THE AUDLEY END HOUSE PAINTINGS

ON FRIDAY 15TH MAY

WE ARE PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THAT ENGLISH HERITAGE (EH) HAVE KINDLY AGREED TO US ORGANISING A TRIP FOR 24 OF OUR ARTS SOCIETY (AS) MEMBERS TO HAVE A PRIVATE GUIDED TOUR OF THE FAMOUS PAINTINGS AT AUDLEY END HOUSE.

THE PAINTINGS INCLUDE A UNIQUE COLLECTION OF 18TH CENTURY ONES OF THE HOUSE AND ESTATE BY THE NOTED LANDSCAPE PAINTER WILLIAM TOMKINS (1732-1792) WHICH ARE NOT NORMALLY AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC. THEY ARE ALL IN THE TOMKINS ROOM.

OUR GUIDES/LECTURERS ON THE DAY WILL BE DR PETER MOORE (EH CURATOR OF COLLECTIONS) IN THE GENERAL HOUSE AND MARY JOWETT (A SENIOR EH GUIDE) OR ONE OF HER TEAM IN THE TOMKINS ROOM.

WE WILL BE DIVIDED INTO TWO GROUPS OF 12 BECAUSE OF THE SIZE OF THE ROOMS.

THE ARRANGEMENTS ARE AS FOLLOWS :-

DATE- FRIDAY 15TH MAY 2026

TIMES- ASSEMBLE IN THE ENTRANCE HALL OF MAIN HOUSE BY 10.45AM

GROUP 1 – 11AM TO 12 PM IN THE TOMKINS ROOM

GROUP 2 - 11AM TO 12 PM START IN GREAT HALL WITH PETER

LUNCH 12 PM TO 1PM IN TEA ROOM (OPTIONAL)

MEET IN THE ENTRANCE HALL AT 12.55PM

GROUP 1 - 1PM TO 2PM START IN GREAT HALL

GROUP 2 - 1PM TO 2PM IN THE TOMKINS ROOM

TEA IN TEA ROOM OR VIEWING REST OF ESTATE FROM 2PM (OPTIONAL)

NUMBERS- MAXIMUM OF 24 AS MEMBERS

TRANSPORT- MEMBERS ARE INVITED TO MAKE THEIR OWN WAY TO THE HOUSE AND

PARKING WILL BE AVAILABLE IN THE USUAL SPACES AS DIRECTED BY EH

STAFF. IF YOU DO NOT HAVE YOUR OWN TRANSPORT COULD YOU

PLEASE CONTACT A FRIEND WHO IS ALSO AN AS MEMBER AND WHO

IS ALSO GOING ON THE OUTING AND SEEK A LIFT. OTHERWISE CONTACT

ROGER HUGHES-PENNEY ON 07759176982 FOR HELP.

COSTS- ENGLISH HERITAGE MEMBERS £7
ART FUND MEMBERS £7
NON EH MEMBERS £29.70
CONCESSIONS (OVER 65) FOR NON EH MEMBERS £27.40
FIRST 6 NON EH MEMBERS TO BOOK WILL BE ENTITLED TO ONLY PAY £7
LUNCHES AND TEAS ARE OPTIONAL AND ARE NOT INCLUDED

BOOKING- PLEASE BOOK AT THE AS LECTURE ON 10TH MARCH AND 14TH APRIL

PAYMENT- BY BACS (PREFERRED) TO ACCOUNT BSDFAS SORT CODE 60-02-36
NUMBER 52498034
OR BY CREDIT CARD ON OUR SUMUP READER ON THE LECTURE DAYS.

QUESTIONS- IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE CONTACT ROGER HUGHES-
PENNEY ON 07759176982 OR EMAIL TO ROGERHP81@GMAIL.COM
NOTE THAT THIS IS A ONE-OFF POP-UP EVENT BECAUSE I AM AN EH
VOLUNTEER.

EXAMPLE OF AUDLEY END HOUSE IN 1788 BY WILLIAM TOMKINS

