

**RUGBY DECORATIVE AND FINE ARTS SOCIETY
LECTURE SYNOPSIS 2011**

DATE	LECTURE	BIBLIOGRAPHY
JAN 27	Ruskin: Artist and Scientist	Dr. David Cross Biography of George Romney. Vice-Pres. of Romney Society. Hon. Research Fellow, Durham Univ. Specializes in Lake District artists of all genres. Art history lecturer to Universities. Cruise lecturer.
FEB 24	Venetian Art and Architecture	Brian Cairns Pembroke College, Oxford and the Ruskin School of Fine Art. Principal of Maryland College, Woburn 1969-1994. Elected as Fellow of Royal Society of Arts 1993
MAR 24	Bernini's Sculptures in the Villa Borghese in Rome	Hilary Williams Art History Education Officer at British Museum. Lectures for BM, L. Borough of Bexley and the Wallace Collection. Guides private tours of State Apartments, Buckingham Palace.
APR 28	The Glamour Holiday: The Grand Era of Travel in the 1920's and 30's	Dr. Claire Walsh Worked at V&A. Lectured at Warwick, Teeside and Open Univs. Talks for Arts Council, The Ceramics Society, The Costume Society and the Ancient Monuments Society.
MAY 26	The Destruction of the Monasteries: The Greatest Act of Artistic Vandalism in English history	Mark Corby Lecturer in history and architecture. Praelector and Tour Leader to many parts of Europe. TV historical presenter for, "The Real Spartacus", "Roman London" and others. Guest lecturer on cruises.
SEP 22	The Artful Pot: Victorian Pottery from the Great Exhibition to the flowering of Art Nouveau	Louise Irvine Lecturer, writer and guide specialising in ceramic history. Author of many books on Doulton wares. Lecturer to Christie's Fine Arts course, the V&A and Arts Council.
OCT 27	Durham Cathedral: The Loveliest Building on Planet Earth	Hugh Cantlie Retired Chartered Surveyor specialising in conservation. Author of titles such as Ancestral Castles in Scotland and a guide to Breaks near the Motorways. Does house portraits in pen and wash.
NOV 24	The Dukes of Buccleuch of Boughton, Bowhill and Drumlang	William Forrester Lecturer for the National Portrait Gallery, the British Museum and National Trust. Registered guide for London, City of London, Cumbria etc. Guide/Lecturer of the Year 1989 and Man of the Year 1990.
DEC 15	The Great Twelve: An introduction to the Senior Livery Companies of the City of London	Fenella Billington Guides and tours to Rome and Florence for cruise companies. Freelance talks to art societies, historical associations and charitable institutions. Liverywoman of Skinner's Company of London.

