

## PROGRAMME 2017

Please note that, unless otherwise indicated, meetings will be held at 6.30pm at **LUMEN URC, 88 TAVISTOCK PLACE, WC1H 9RS.**

### **JANUARY**

**Thursday 26<sup>th</sup>** : DF President Dr Tony Williams will welcome members and will talk on - *From Dorrit to Doncaster: Dickens in 1857*

### **FEBRUARY**

**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup>** : Celebrating Charles Dickens's 205<sup>th</sup> Birthday

\*Dinner at the British Medical Association, Tavistock Square, London WC1H 9JP.

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup>** : Dr Daniel Tyler - '*How the time and life steal on*': Dickens's Uncommercial Traveller

### **MARCH**

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup>** : John Edmondson - '*Dickens the Thanatourist: contextualizing his visits to the Paris Morgue*'

### **APRIL**

**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup>** : Professor Catherine Waters and Rosa Coles - *Researching the Macready-Dickens Screen*

### **MAY**

\***Sunday 7<sup>th</sup>** : Commemoration Service at the Church of St George the Martyr, Borough High Street, at 11.00 a.m., followed by lunch at The George Inn, Southwark.

**Thursday 11<sup>th</sup>** : Wendy Moore - *Dickens, John Elliotson and Mesmerism*

### **JUNE**

**Friday 9<sup>th</sup>** : Wreath-laying at Westminster Abbey to mark the 147<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the death of Charles Dickens. Assemble at 5.45 p.m. inside the West Door. Members may wish to attend Evensong at 5.00 p.m.

**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup>** : Kathryn Johnson - *At War with David Copperfield: Reading Dickens in Graham Greene's The Ministry of Fear* and Patrick Hamilton's *Hangover Square*

### **JULY**

**Saturday 8<sup>th</sup>** - *Dickens's Least Affecting Child Death* - Paul Dombey, Little Nell, Jo and Smike - Members will decide who they were most pleased did not make it to the final chapter. (Please note that the venue will be the Function Room of The Rugby Tavern, 19 Great James Street, London WC1N 3ES 2pm start)

**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> - Monday 24<sup>th</sup>** : 111<sup>th</sup> International Dickens Fellowship Conference in Carrara, Italy.

### **AUGUST**

**Saturday 12<sup>th</sup>** : Walk with Dr Tony Williams - *Do Not Forget: A Walk in the Borough* - Meet outside St George's Church, opposite Borough Underground station (Northern Line) at 2.00.

### **SEPTEMBER**

\***Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup>** : Annual Outing. This year to Rochester and its environs

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup>** : Emma Currie - *Mad Hats: Dickens's Material Languages*

**OCTOBER**

Exact date to be confirmed : James Cutler - *Remembering Dickens: The Dickens Fellowship Scrapbooks*

**NOVEMBER**

**Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup>** : Dr Nick Cambridge - *Mr Pickwick to Tiny Tim: Dickens and Medicine*

**DECEMBER**

**\*Saturday 9<sup>th</sup>** : Christmas Supper

For details of events marked \* please contact the Social Events Organiser, Peter Duggan, 6 Citrus House, Alverton Street, Deptford, London SE8 5NP. Telephone (after 7 p.m. please, Monday to Friday only): 020 8691 1039. Fuller programme information, including details of any supplementary events, will be published in the *London Particular* and on the website, [www.dickensfellowship.org](http://www.dickensfellowship.org). Follow us on twitter @DickensFellowHQ.

# THE DICKENS FELLOWSHIP

2017

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**'Carrara, shut in by great hills, is very picturesque and bold. It contains a beautiful little Theatre, newly built; and it is an interesting custom there, to form the chorus of labourers in the marble quarries, who are self-taught and sing by ear. I heard them in a comic opera, and in an act of "Norma" ; and they sing very well.'**

*Pictures From Italy 1846.*

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