

Meetings are held at James Wolfe School, Royal Hill, Greenwich, SE10 8RZ commencing at 7.30 - doors open 7.15. Non-members are welcome, from whom we invite a donation of \pounds 3 per meeting.

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GREENWICH HISTORICAL SOCIETY PROGRAMME AUTUMN 2017-SPRING 2018

27 SEPTEMBER 2017. Fr KEVIN ROBINSON: *OUR LADYE STAR OF THE SEA*.

Father Kevin will give us some of the history of Our Ladye Star of the Sea, the Roman Catholic church at the top of Crooms Hill, built in 1848 by W. W. Wardell with money raised by a priest who had been saved from drowning during the launching of a ship near Greenwich. It replaced an older chapel. The decoration of the chancel and chapel of St Joseph is by Augustus Pugin and a Sacred Heart Chapel by Edward Pugin.

25 OCTOBER 2017. VERONICA THORNTON: THE SCREAMING ALICE*

Veronica Thornton taught art in south-east London for 30 years and is now based in Cambridge. She has just written her first novel, set the 1970s. andpartly inspired by the long abandoned Greenwich to Crystal Palace Railway. As part of her research Veronica used old maps, various archive photos



and magazine articles related to the subject. These are the images she will share in her talk, to show the railway as it was at different times in the 20th century. She will also explain how photos of the railway helped confirm the location of a Pissarro painting.

* 'Screaming Alice' is Cockney rhyming slang for the Crystal Palace.

22 NOVEMBER 2017. RICHARD HILL: *ST ALFEGE CHURCH: THE DISCOVERY OF A HAWKSMOOR DRAWING*

Richard Hill an architect working with Richard Griffiths, has identified a beautiful elevational drawing of the north side of the Church of St Alfege as by Nicholas Hawksmoor. In doing so, he has also made some new discoveries to do with the church and Hawksmoor.