

# Programme 2018

**9th January**

**Wilf Lower**

**Lost Empires:  
The Last Days of Music Hall and Variety**  
A light-hearted look at the theatres, the performers  
and the Revues of the fifties.

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**23rd January**

**Betty Black**

**Skyways at Lypne**  
The story of post-war passenger aviation at Lypne Airport...  
the personalities, the accidents, the decline and fall.

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**13th February**

**Dr Geoff Doel**

**Outsiders:  
Outlaws, Poachers, Smugglers and Highwaymen**

Dr Geoff Doel lectures for the Universities of Kent and Canterbury Christ Church in Literature & in Traditional Culture and has written many books on Kentfolklore with his wife Fran. Tonight, Geoff takes us on an exploration through visual images, readings, analyses & songs of Outlaws, Poachers, Smugglers & Highwaymen in the English Tradition.

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**27th February**

**Imogen Corrigan FRSA**

**The Cathars**

Who were The Cathars? What did they believe in? Why were they the first subjects of The Inquisition and why were they willing to die for the right to find God in their own way? An important story unknown by many.

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**13th March**

**Dr Jimmy Carter**

**Mapping the Moon and UK Space Science**

Highlights of recent planetary exploration and the story of perhaps the most unlucky PhD student in the country.

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**27th March**

**Mrs Toni Mount MA**

**The Medieval Housewife**

A look at ordinary folk in the middle ages with anecdotes about cooking, child care, food and fashion and the instructions given by an elderly husband to his new young wife.

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**10th April**

**Brian Freeland**

**Women of the Raj**

For 120 years there were only British men in India; the arrival of British women changed the relationship between the races to the extent that one Indian wrote 'I don't think they realise what a menace they are. There might never have been a mutiny if they had stayed in Britain!'

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**24th April**

**Maureen Clayton**

**Shipwrecks around the English Coast  
(and other areas)**

The stories of some famous shipwrecks which changed the course of history.

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