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Remembering the Battle of Arras 1917

Town Lectures & Concerts 2017

The monthly events take place at Museum Street Methodist Church from 1.00pm to 1.50pm. Admission is free with a retiring collection (suggested minimum donation £2.00 per head). For further details go to: www.ipswich-arts.org.uk

11 May: Lecture by **Andrew Beal** who is Remembering The Battle of Arras 1917. This is the story of over 80 Ipswich men who lost their lives in the conflict in France.

8 June: Concert given by the choirs of **St Helen's School** and **The Oaks School**. A selection of songs to promote the cultural diversity of Ipswich.

13 July: Lecture by The Rev Catherine Beaumont about Otley Hall – Past and Future. Learn about the joys and pressures of being stewards to a Grade 1 listed home.

10 August: Concert. Scott Dolling, flute, guitar and vocals and David Stainer, guitar, mandolin, vocals are an East Anglian-based duo known as Silbury Hill. Much of their music is inspired by their Suffolk roots.



Roy Stephenson & Roger Pulham. Photo Terry Cloke

Friends Launch

A large number of people gathered in the Grand Hall of the Ipswich Corn Exchange on Thursday 9 March for the launch of the Friends of Ipswich Corn Exchange organ. Whilst the working title for the new project is "hardly sexy" according to IAA Chair, Professor Chris Green, "it does set out clearly what is needed: a little love and care for this wonderful instrument". Three organists – William Baldry, Martin Ellis and Stephen Hogger – played a wide selection of music. Roy Stephenson and Roger Pulham explained what the challenge was and how a Friends group might help. So watch this space for the next steps.

The Musical Month Of May

If you like music, then you'll love the merry, merry month of May. There's a choice of four different concerts on both Sat 13 May and Sat 20 May. St Mary's Parish Church, Woodbridge is the venue for three **Woodbridge** Chamber Concerts featuring Marta Kowalczyk and Somi Kim on Sat 6, The Artesian Quartet on Sat 13 and The Alke Quartet on Sat. 20. The Gippeswyk **Singers** travel to Snape Maltings, Sat 13, to present *The* Dream of Gerontius. The Community Light Orchestra (Woodbridge), Trianon Music Group (Felixstowe) and **Ipswich G&S Society** (Woodbridge) will be performing a variety of music for all tastes on Sat 20. The Wolsey **Orchestra** are at the Ipswich Corn Exchange on Sat 13, the **Ipswich Chamber Choir** are at Rushmere on Sat 27. If you want to take part in music making, there are open auditions for The Sorcerer and Trial By Jury on Thur 11, at Belstead Village Hall.

Details of ALL musical events feature on the IAA website.

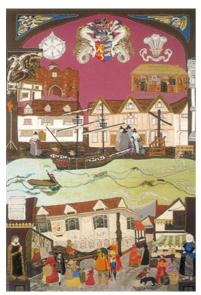
Ipswich Film Society Lecture

A talk about the Halas & Batchelor Animation Studio, 7.30pm Mon 5 June. John Halas became the father of British Animation producing more than 2,000 films. More details from Terry Cloke 07849 275022.

Ipswich Charter Hangings

The Ipswich Charter Hangings, can be found at St Peter's by the Waterfront, College St. Ipswich, IP1 1XF. These eight stunning embroidered artworks offer a unique visual history of the town, from pre Viking times to the 20th Century. Extended Summer opening from May to September provides an excellent opportunity to see them. Times are: Tuesday 10am to 4pm, Wednesday 10am to 2pm and Friday 10am to 4pm.

We are currently seeking volunteer stewards for Fridays. If you are interested and have a couple of hours to spare, we would like to hear from you. Please contact Paul, email: charterhangings@ipswich-arts.org.uk



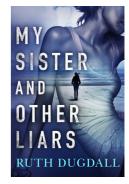
Charter Hanging No 5 showing Stuart times

Summer General Meeting

The Summer General Meeting of Ipswich Arts Association will be held at Ipswich Tourist Information Centre, St. Stephen's Lane at 7.30pm on Thursday 15 June. There will be an opportunity to discuss matters of mutual interest during the business section of the meeting, which will be followed by refreshments and a presentation from local author, Ruth Dugdall. (read on to the next column)

Book launch

Suffolk based crime author Ruth Dugdall launches her sixth novel, My Sister and Other Liars, in May 2017 and will be talking to us on June 15. Her latest novel is a domestic noir, from the unusual perspective of a teenage anorexic, and it is set in Felixstowe and Ipswich. Layers are pulled away until the family home is revealed as the most dangerous place of all.



Sam is 17, starving herself and longing for oblivion; Jena is 30, left brain-damaged and desperate to remember. This is the story of two sisters and the secrets and lies at the heart of their world.

Piecing Jena's fragmented words together, sneaking looks into police evidence, Sam resolves to find her sister's attacker ... at any cost!

A chocolate box full of photos forces her to speak and to remember. But this journey of discovery also means a loss of innocence for Sam, with devastating consequences.

New Ipswich Arts Association Secretary

Following an extensive search over the autumn and winter, the Trustees were pleased to announce the appointment of Mary Odam as the new Secretary of Ipswich Arts Association. Mary takes over from Juliet Bowmaker. She is a music graduate from the Guildhall School of Music and Drama, and well-



known as a singer, guesting with many societies as a soloist. She lives with her family in the Ipswich area.

IAA Open House

Following on from last year's success, the IAA Open House returns at the Ipswich Tourist Information Centre from June 12 to 16. The aim is to showcase the work of IAA members. To get your group involved contact the Terry Cloke 07849 275022 or email ipswichartsassociation@gmail.com.

All About Ipswich

All About Ipswich is an exciting new website promoting Ipswich as East Anglia's waterfront town and gateway to Suffolk. IAA members can now place event details (including photographs) on the website. For details contact IAA Publicity Officer Terry Cloke 07849 275022 or email ipswichartsassociation@gmail.com.



what's on

DATE	WHAT	WHERE	TIME	CONTACT
Sat 6 May	Woodbridge Chamber Concert	St Mary's Parish Church IP12 4LP	7.30pm	www.woodbridgechamberconcerts.org.uk
Sat 8 May	Ipswich Film Society. The Grump (12)	Film Theatre, Corn Exchange	7.30pm	www.ipswichfilmsociety.org.uk
Thur 11 May	IAA Lunchtime Lecture	Museum Street, Methodist Church	1.00pm	www.ipswich-arts.org.uk
Thur 11 May	Ipswich Recorded Music Society	The Meeting Room, 19 Tower Street	7.30pm	Paul Smith 01473 402276
Thur 11 May	Ipswich G&S. Open Auditions 2017 show	Belstead Village Hall IP8 3GL	7.30pm	www.ipswichgands.org.uk
Sat 13 May	Gippeswyk Singers. Concert	Snape Maltings, IP17 1SR	7.30pm	www.gippeswyksingers.co.uk
Sat 13 May	Wolsey Orchestra. Concert	Ipswich Corn Exchange	7.30pm	www.wolseyorchestra.org
Sat 13 May	Woodbridge Chamber Concert	St Mary's Parish Church IP12 4LP	7.30pm	www.woodbridgechamberconcerts.org.uk
Sat 13 May	Ipswich G&S. Concert	St John's Church, Woodbridge IP12 1HS	7.30pm	www.ipswichgands.org.uk
Sat 20 May	Community Light Orchestra. Concert	St John's Church, Woodbridge IP12 1HS	7.30pm	www.communitylightorchestra.co.uk
Sat 20 May	Trianon Music Group. Concert	Trinity Methodist Church, Felixstowe	7.30pm	www.tmg.org.uk
Sat 20 May	Woodbridge Chamber Concert.	St Mary's Parish Church IP12 4LP	7.30pm	www.woodbridgechamberconcerts.org.uk
Sat 20 May	Ipswich G&S. Concert	St Andrew's Church, Finborough IP14 3A	D 7.30pm	Irene Bugg 01449 616865
Thur 25 May	Ipswich Recorded Music Society	The Meeting Room, 19 Tower Street	7.30pm	Paul Smith 01473 402276
Sat 27 May	Ipswich Chamber Choir. Concert	St Andrew's Church, Rushmere IP5 1DJ	3.00pm	01473 253666
Sat 3 Jun	The Orwell Singers. Concert	St Michael & All Angels, IP5 3PL	7.30pm	01473 635955
Mon 5 Jun	Ipswich Film Society. Lecture	Burlington Baptist Church Centre, IP1 2E	z 7.30pm	terrycloke@gmail.com
Thur 8 June	IAA Lunchtime Concert	Museum Street, Methodist Church	1.00pm	www.ipswich-arts.org.uk

Mon 12 Jun	Ipswich Arts Association "Open House"	See back page for more details	www.ipswich-arts.org.uk		
Thur 15 Jun	IAA General Meeting	Ipswich Tourist Information Centre	7.30pm www.ipswich-arts.org.uk		
Sat 17 Jun	Ipswich Gilbert & Sullivan. Concert	Sidegate Lane Primary School IP4 4JD	7.30pm 01473 735739		
Sun 18 Jun	Ipswich Choral Society. Concert	Royal Hospital School IP9 2RX	5.00pm www.ipswichchoralsociety.org		
Sat 24 Jun	Ipswich Symphony Orchestra. Concert	Ipswich Corn Exchange	7.30pm www.iosoc.org		
Sat 24 Jun	Suffolk Sinfonia. Concert	The Apex, Bury St Edmunds IP33 3FD	7.30pm www.suffolkmusic.co.uk		
Sun 25 Jun	Felixstowe Harmonies. Concert	St Peter's by the waterfront. IP1 1XF	4.00pm www.felixstoweharmonies.co.uk		
Sat 1 Jul	Suffolk Singers. Concert	Holy Trinity Church, Blythburgh	7.30pm 01394 279907		
Sat 1 Jul	Ipswich Gilbert & Sullivan. Concert	Framlingham College IP13 9EY	7.30pm 01728 861409		
Sun 2 Jul	Ipswich Music Day	See below for more details	www.ipswich-arts.org.uk		
Thur 13 Jul	IAA. Lunchtime Lecture.	Museum Street, Methodist Church	1.00pm www.ipswich-arts.org.uk		
Sat 15 Jul to	Suffolk Craft Society,	Peter Pears Gallery, 152 High Street,	10.00am to 5.00pm		
Mon 28 Aug	Summer Exhibition	Aldeburgh, IP15 5AQ www.suffo	lkcraftsociety.org/summer-exhibition-aldeburgh/		
Thur 10 Aug	IAA. Lunchtime Concert	Museum Street, Methodist Church	1.00pm www.ipswich-arts.org.uk		
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Ipswich Music Day. Applications for IAA Classical Stages 2017 are now closed. Thanks to all who applied. This year's venues are: Bethesda Baptist Church, Masonic Hall and St Margaret's Church. All three venues are located close by the main Soane St. entrance of					

Christchurch Park, Ipswich. Sunday 2 July is the date, with the final programme timings to be finalised.

Museum Street, Methodist Church

St John's Church, Felixstowe IP11 7PW

2.00 to 5.00pm 01473 715668

7.30pm 01394 670367

Sat 10 Jun

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Trianon Music Group. Come & Sing

Ipswich Gilbert & Sullivan. Concert