



Special Interest Day

at Big School Epsom College

Wednesday 23rd October 2024

“Design, Fashion and Style.

Glass to Home Furnishings”

Mark Hill gives three lectures on

“Hot Stuff. The Birth of Studio Glass”, “Frank Thrower &

Dartington Glass” and “Curves, Colours and Cool”



Registration in foyer of Big School **10.00am**

Lecture 1.

10:15 -11:15

“Hot Stuff. The Birth of Studio Glass”

Although glass has been made for centuries, the 1960s saw a revolution in the way it was made, opening it up to artists across the world and allowing glass to be used as a medium for art. After looking at the historical context and the genesis of the movement, Mark will examine the work of six key glass artists from the US and the UK, including Dale Chihuly, Sam Herman, and Peter Layton. Containing previously unseen photographs taken at the time, this talk also includes his top tips and an overview of the market today and the creative journey made by studio glassmakers so far.



Coffee & comfort break

11.15-12.00



Lecture 2

12.00-13.00

“Frank Thrower and Dartington Glass”

Frank Thrower was one of the most prolific and successful glass designers of the late 20th century. From the inception of Dartington Glass in 1967, he provided the creative and marketing drive that contributed to the company's considerable success. As sole designer for almost 20 years, he produced over 700 innovative and popular designs. This lecture looks at the history of the company, Frank's life and the major phases of, and influences behind, his well known designs.



Lunch

13.00-14.30

Lecture 3

14.30-15.30

“Curves, Colours and Cool”

An Introduction to Mid-Century Modern

The antiques market has changed dramatically and now pieces that were made during the 1970s can fetch many times more than a piece made in the 1770s. Why has the teak sideboard you threw out become so desirable? Who is this Eames guy? Drawing a blank with Timo Sarpaneva? Who's buying what and what are they doing with it? This practical and inspirational lecture looks at furniture, ceramics, glass, lighting and metalware, identifies key designs and designers, and examines the revolutionary design movements they began.



This is an Open meeting
bring your friends!

Tickets cost **£46** and include a hot lunch.

On sale from 4th September 2024

(Payment by debit or credit card prior to the regular meeting.)

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