

University of Newcastle upon Tyne

INSIGHTS

Lectures for all

Semester 2, February – May 2006

Free admission

UNIVERSITY OF
NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE



JOHN H HOLMES MEMORIAL LECTURES
FOR 10-14 YEAR OLDS

YOUNG SCIENCE

Presentations on the nature of science in the real world by a team of young scientists from Newcastle University

Tuesday 24 January 2006

Wednesday 25 January 2006

Thursday 26 January 2006

Note: 5-6pm

Curtis Auditorium, Herschel Building
(Opposite Haymarket Metro Station)

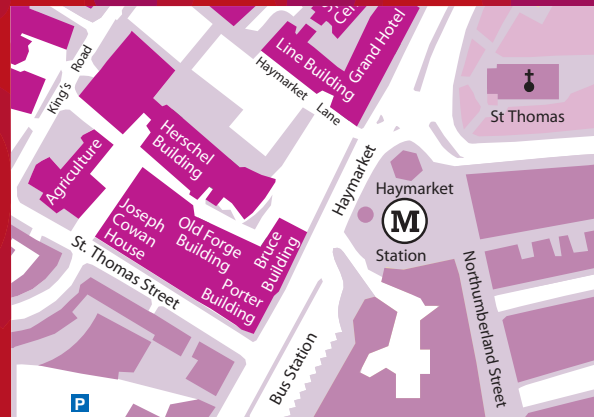
For free tickets please contact the
Public Lectures office on 0191 222 6136
or email: public.lectures@ncl.ac.uk
from 14 November 2005.

The University of Newcastle upon Tyne welcomes people from the region to attend its public lectures for Spring 2006. The lectures, covering a wide variety of topics, are given by public figures and eminent scholars. There is no entry charge, although for some lectures it is necessary to have a ticket.

If you would like to be added to our mailing list, or to confirm dates and speakers, call the Public Lectures office on 0191 222 6136.

The full lectures programme, with further details of speakers and their topics, can be viewed on our website at www.ncl.ac.uk/press.office/lectures. Any additions and changes will also be noted here.

Lectures normally last one hour, ending at 6.30 pm. Different starting and ending times or locations other than the Curtis Auditorium are noted next to the lecture listing. The Curtis Auditorium is in the Herschel Building, opposite Haymarket Metro station.



FEBRUARY

Thursday 2 February

DISCOVERY OF THE CHINESE AND EUROPEAN MASTER CHARTS OF THE WORLD – 1418

GAVIN MENZIES

Author of the best-selling book '1421 The Year China Discovered the World'

Sunday 5 February

Note: 6pm King's Hall

Henry Miller Concert

FRANZ SCHUBERT: DIE WINTERREISE

James Gilchrist (tenor) Anna Tilbrook (piano)

Note: the event is free, but you are asked to apply for tickets (tel. 0191 2226136) from 9am on 23 January 2006.**Tuesday 14 February**

POPULATION, PRESIDENTS AND PROTESTERS:

HEALTH PLANNING FOR A G8 SUMMIT

DR JULIE CAVANAGH MBBS (Newcastle)

MFPHM Consultant in Public Health Medicine

(Communicable Disease and Environmental Health), NHS Tayside

Thursday 16 February

A lecture to mark the 40th anniversary of the Intermediate Technology Development Group/Practical Action

THE CHANGING FACE OF TECHNOLOGY

IN INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

ANDREW SCOTT

Policy and Programmes Director, Practical Action

Thursday 23 February

Tony Edwards Annual Lecture

In association with the School of Education,

Communication and Language Sciences

FORENSIC LINGUISTICS

DR PETER FRENCH

Chairman of the International Association for Forensic Phonetics and Acoustics

Tuesday 28 February

RSA lecture

RISK – TAKEN OR MANAGED?

DR TIMOTHY WALKER

Director-General, Health and Safety Executive

MARCH

Thursday 2 March

British Association lecture

HIGH RESOLUTION GEOPHYSICS FOR CHARACTERISING,

MONITORING AND PROTECTING THE GEOENVIRONMENT

PROFESSOR PETER STYLES

President, the Geological Society of London

APRIL

Tuesday 7 March & Wednesday 8 March

Riddell Memorial lectures

JUDICIAL PERSPECTIVES ON ETHICAL DILEMMAS

1) Legal Aspects of Medical Ethics

2) Ethical Considerations in Family Law

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE DAME ELIZABETH BUTLER-SLOSS GBE**LECTURES IN ASSOCIATION WITH NEWCASTLE SCIENCE FESTIVAL 2006****Tuesday 14 March**

Robinson Prize Lecture

THE ORIGIN AND THE FATE OF THE UNIVERSE

PROFESSOR ANDREI LINDE

Professor of Physics, Stanford University

Wednesday 15 March

RAPID CLIMATE CHANGE –

LESSONS FROM THE PAST, VIEWS INTO THE FUTURE

PROFESSOR THOMAS WAGNER

Professor in Earth Systems Sciences, University of Newcastle

Thursday 16 March

USING ICE AS AN ENGINEERING MATERIAL –

ICE ROADS AND RUNWAYS

DR DOUGAL GOODMAN FEng

Director, the Foundation for Science and Technology

Tuesday 21 March

COMPOSING THE HERO: CAPTAIN SCOTT'S LAST JOURNALS

DR MAX JONES

Lecturer in Modern British History, University of Manchester

Thursday 23 March

'A SLICE OF PI' – A BRIEF LOOK AT BOTH THE HISTORY SURROUNDING PI AND SOME WAYS OF COMPUTING IT (FOR THE NON-EXPERT)

PROFESSOR ROBIN JOHNSON

Professor of Applied Mathematics, University of Newcastle

Tuesday 25 April

Chaplaincy lecture

JOSEPHINE BUTLER: CALLED TO CONFLICT

PROFESSOR ANN LOADES CBE

Recently retired as Professor of Divinity, Theology Department, University of Durham

MAY

Thursday 27 April

WHY DID IVAN FIGHT? SOLDIERS OF THE RED ARMY IN THE SECOND WORLD WAR

PROFESSOR CATHERINE MERRIDALE

Professor of Contemporary History, Queen Mary, University of London

Tuesday 2 May

WHAT'S IN A FACE? BLANKNESS AND SIGNIFICANCE IN CONTEMPORARY ART PHOTOGRAPHY

DR JULIAN STALLABRASS

Reader in Art History, Courtauld Institute of Art

Thursday 4 May

GLOBAL ACTION TO CONTROL GLOBAL WARMING

SIR DAVID KING

Chief Scientific Adviser to HM Government, Office of Science and Technology

Thursday 4 May

Note: Lecture Theatre 1, Herschel Building

Tyneside Geographical Society Lecture

ARE SOME THINGS TOO FAR AWAY TO CARE ABOUT? SWEATSHOPS, POWER AND RESPONSIBILITY

PROFESSOR JOHN ALLEN

Open University

Tuesday 9 May

GANGSTER FILMS

CRAIG RAINE

Fellow, Tutor and Lecturer in English, New College, University of Oxford

Thursday 11 May

Wellcome Trust History of Medicine lecture

WOMEN'S HEALTH, WOMEN'S DISEASES:

WHY DOES ANCIENT GREEK MEDICINE MATTER NOW?

PROFESSOR HELEN KING

Professor of the History of Classical Medicine, University of Reading

Wednesday 17 May

Note: 6.30pm

Chancellor's Lecture

AN EVEN SHORTER HISTORY OF NEARLY EVERYTHING

DR BILL BRYSON

Chancellor, University of Durham

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