

Ernest Gimson Centenary Event: Study Day

2019 is the centenary of the death of the renowned designer-maker Ernest Gimson. Born in Leicester in 1864, he studied architecture in London before moving to the Cotswolds where he established his workshops at Daneway, near Sapperton. Best known for his furniture, metalwork and plasterwork, Gimson also designed for embroidery, bookbinding and more. His architectural work includes two houses in Leicester and three cottages in Ulverscroft. The only property amongst these open to the public is Stoneywell, originally built for his brother Sydney, and now owned by the National Trust.

Saturday 2 November 2019

**Gimson 100 Study Day from 10am to 5pm
New Walk Museum & Art Gallery**

**Ernest Gimson: Arts & Crafts Designer and Architect
Tickets £45 (£55 to include finger buffet lunch)**

Programme

10am	Coffee
10.20	Introduction: Barley Roscoe
10.30	Lars Tharp: Snapshots of Gimson's Leicester
11.00	Peter Davies and Barley Roscoe: Ernest Gimson's family
11.40	Annette Carruthers: Gimson as architect in Leicester and Leicestershire
12.20	Questions/discussion
12.40	Lunch & visit to the Arts and Crafts displays
1.40	Roger Gimson: Growing up at Stoneywell
2.10	Mary Greensted: Nature and pattern in the work of Ernest Gimson
2.50	Tea
3.15	Simon Dixon: Furniture by Waals in the University of Leicester
3.45	Questions/discussion
4.00	Thanks and finish
4.15	Walk to University of Leicester to see Waals furniture

Buffet Lunch Menu (£10 extra)

- A selection of sandwiches and wraps filled with a selection of cold meats, fish, vegetarian options.
- Herb marinated chicken skewers with salsa flavoured dip.
- Warm Mozzarella, vine ripe tomato and basil pesto bruschetta.
- Homemade seasoned potato wedges with a fresh chilli and chive sour cream dip.
- Chicken & chorizo sausage rolls served with fresh basil pesto mayonnaise.
- Fruit platter

Sunday 3 November – Gimson walk and Stoneywell visit for up to 30 people

An optional guided walk is being offered round Gimson-related sites on the Sunday morning followed by a visit to Stoneywell in the afternoon.

Numbers for the walk and the visit have to be restricted to 30. Places for both will be allocated on a first-come first-served basis, so early booking is advised.

The guided walk is free but places should be reserved at the time of booking for the Study Day direct with New Walk Museum by calling 0116 225 4920 or email bookings-newwalkmuseum@leicester.gov.uk with your name, contact details and the number of places you wish to book. No more than 2 places can be reserved under one name.

Stoneywell is about 10 miles north of Leicester near Markfield and the journey takes about 30 minutes by car from New Walk Museum. The visit depends on having transport or taking the 13.36 train from Leicester to arrive in Loughborough at 13.45 (rail fare £6.20 return). The National Trust will arrange for a bus to meet the Loughborough train to take visitors to Stoneywell and then return to Loughborough station in time to catch the 16.25 which gets in to Leicester at 16.37.

Bookings for the visit and the bus need to be made with the National Trust at Stoneywell direct by calling their booking line on 01530 248040 (selecting option 3) or by emailing stoneywell@nationaltrust.org.uk Members of the National Trust who bring their NT card will have free entry to Stoneywell, otherwise there will be the standard group adult admission charge of £9 each. A return bus fare from Loughborough to Stoneywell of £4 (£2 each way) will be charged.

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| 9.30 | Architectural walk in Leicester with Rowan Roenisch around Gimson-related sights. |
| 12.30 | Find own lunch in Leicester or drive to Stoneywell and eat there in the café where a light lunch is available. NB Allow at least 30 minutes to drive from New Walk to Stoneywell. |
| 1.30-2.00 | Arrive in Stoneywell car park by 2pm at latest and await transport to the Stables. |
| 2-2.15 | Meet in Stables and proceed to the house with Barley Roscoe, Annette Carruthers and Mary Greensted |
| 4.00 | Depart |