

November 2019

Dear Member,

I am sad to say this is the last newsletter of 2019, but my-oh-my what a year it has been! I have been in my posting for just over a year now, and I am very pleased to report that PMF is growing in both members and support everyday! At present, we are 89 members strong and the Foundation has raised over £50,000 through donations over the past year alone!

Currently, I have some exciting fundraising events in the works for 2020, beginning with a special Meet the Artist event and private view of Alchemy: Artefacts Reimagined. This exhibition features contemporary works by Ann-Marie James that were inspired by artefacts across the Wessex Museum Partnership (Poole Museum, Salisbury Museum, Wiltshire Museum and Dorset County Museum).

I hope to see you all at our second annual members' Christmas Party on December 9th, as it is sure to be a wonderful evening! As always, thank you for your ongoing support and do not be a stranger; ring me at 01202262607 or email Christine.spader@bcpcouncil.gov.uk.

Kind Regards,
Christine
Fundraising and Membership Officer



Members' Newsletter

The logo for Poole Museum Foundation, featuring the text 'poole museum' in a stylized font with a vertical line to the right, and 'foundation' in a smaller font below it.

Current Exhibition:

26 October-5

January:

Victoria and Albert:
Our Lives in
Watercolour

1 February- 19 April
2020:

Alchemy: Artefacts
Reimagined

Important Dates at a Glance:

9 December:

Members Exclusive
Christmas Party

31 January:

Meet the Artist with
Ann-Marie James,
Alchemy: Artefacts
Reimagined
Exhibition

**What events would
you like to see the
Foundation put on?**

Let Us Know!

Victoria & Albert: Our Lives in Watercolour

Throughout their marriage, Queen Victoria and Prince Albert were enthusiastic patrons (and practitioners) of the art of watercolour painting. They formed a collection of thousands of watercolours, many illustrating scenes of their public and private lives, and often spent happy evenings together organizing their acquisitions into albums.

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The touring exhibition- including many works being displayed for the first time- marks the bicentenary of the births of both Victoria and Albert.

These colourful, dynamic watercolours, loaned by Her Majesty The Queen from the Royal Collection, capture the pomp and spectacle of the British court, foreign travel and diplomacy, the exploration and shaping of a modern nation and, importantly, the close-knit family at the heart of it all.

See the exhibition, which includes Queen Victoria's sketch book and other personal works, now through January 5th.

Meet the Curator Talk and Tour
With Carly Collier from Royal Collection Trust

9 November 12 - 1pm

Join us for a talk about Queen Victoria and Prince Albert's watercolour collection. Carly Collier, curator of our temporary exhibition from Royal Collection Trust, will be exploring stories behind the watercolours.

Free event, advanced booking essential via [Eventbrite](#) or at the museum's front desk.

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On Friday October 25th, Lord Julian Fellowes and his wife, Lady Emma Fellowes, spoke to a sold-out crowd in the upper hall of Scaplen's Court. The topic of conversation was Queen Victoria, and the incredible life she lived as not only a monarch, but as a wife and mother. This event was held in celebration of the bicentenary of Queen Victoria and Prince Albert's births, and coincided with the opening of the highly anticipated exhibition, *Victoria and Albert: Our Lives in Watercolour*.



"The great use of life is to spend it for something that will outlast it."

—William James

Big or small, every gift in a Will we receive helps to support our mission to preserve, protect and share Poole's amazing heritage. For more information on how you can leave the gift of a lifetime, please contact us by telephone at 01202 262 607 or email info@poolemuseumfoundation.org.uk

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The 2nd Annual Members' Christmas Party is just around the corner!

Don't forget to RSVP to Christine.spader@bcpcouncil.gov.uk by

November 30th

Members and prospective members welcome, £5 donation per person. Names will be checked at the door.

MONDAY • 9 DECEMBER 2019 • 6 TO 7:30 PM

POOLE MUSEUM FOUNDATION

MEMBERS'

CHRISTMAS

PARTY

SCAPLEN'S COURT, SARUM STREET
POOLE, BH15 1JW

£5 PER MEMBER

CHRISTMAS CAROLS

NIBBLES & MORE

FOR TICKETS, RSVP TO CHRISTINE.SPADER@BCPCOUNCIL.GOV.UK
BY 30 NOV. PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS WELCOME.

Following mulled wine and minced pies, the Poole and Parkstone Players will be on hand to delight us with Christmas carols and festive readings in the upstairs hall.