

Leicester Secular Society
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

Members are able to participate in the Society's democratic procedures and receive our regular publication the Leicester Secularist.

I have read 'The Principal Aims of Leicester Secular Society' and wish to become a member.

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SUBSCRIPTION* £DATE

*Subscription rates

2019: Individuals £24; Low income £8; Households £32.

Please post your form and payment to: The Secretary, Leicester Secular Society, Secular Hall, 75 Humberstone Gate, Leicester LE1 1WB, or hand to one of the Directors. Please make cheques payable to 'Leicester Secular Society'. The L.S.S. Board must approve all applications.

Phone: 01509 211468

Contact details and online membership application form are also available at www.lsec.org.uk

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The 'Art of Thinking' Autumn 2019

Informal sessions run by philosopher, Dr Greg Scorzo.

Greg introduces each session with a brief talk which is followed by discussion and debate by group members.

Each session stands alone – come to as many as you like. Charge is £3 per session. Start time 7.30pm.

1. *Love* - Monday 9th September
2. *Peace* - Thursday 26th September
3. *Political Comedy* - Tuesday October 8th
4. *Generation Gap* - Tuesday October 22nd
5. *Bad Taste* - Monday November 11th
6. *Pretentiousness* - Thursday November 28th
7. *Equality* - Monday December 9th
8. *Oppression* - Monday December 16th

The Secular Hall, home of Leicester Secular Society, is very easy to find on Humberstone Gate (LE1 1WB). It is directly opposite Sainsbury's supermarket and is a distinctive Victorian red-brick building.

There is plenty of public transport serving the city centre,

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SECULAR SOCIETY



for a plural society free from religious privilege and discrimination

Secular Hall Events: Sept - Dec 2019



DR THOMAS WATERS
*Witchcraft and
the modern revival of magic*

Sunday 15th September, 6.30pm

70 Years of Nakba

A Programme of
9 Palestinian short films

Sunday 22nd September, 6.30pm



HAMISH WHITELEY
*reads and discusses his new book:
'GROWING UP WITH GRANDMA'*

Sunday 20th October, 6.30pm

Ash Pryce
*How to be a
Psychic
Conman*

Sunday 17th November, 6.30pm



Ned Newitt
*Leicester's Fight
Against Racism
1960-1979*

Sunday 24th November, 6.30pm

Feel welcome to come along to debate and socialise over tea and biscuits

Free entry (collection) unless otherwise stated

Sunday 1st September 6.30pm

Alastair Lichten - No More Faith Schools: towards a secular education system

Faith schools are the biggest example of religious privilege in our education system. Our fantastic community ethos schools show it doesn't need to be this way. Alastair is the National Secular Society's head of education.

Sunday 8th September 6.30pm

John Helps - What does it mean to be 'DIY' in Music?

What is DIY Music? How much and how many different aspects of music can you do yourself?

Sunday 15th September

Heritage Open Day 10.30 am - 4.30 pm

Tours of the building. Exhibition – the History of the Society and its Hall. Display of historic images of what is now the Cultural Quarter.

Sunday 15th September 6.30pm

Dr Thomas Waters - Witchcraft and the modern revival of magic.

What is witchcraft and why is it reviving? Thomas Waters explains, drawing on his new book, *Cursed Britain: A History of Witchcraft and Black Magic in Modern Times*.

Sunday 22nd September 6.30pm

Film - 70 Years of Nakba

A Programme of 9 Palestinian shorts. This programme was curated on the 70th anniversary of the Nakba (The Catastrophe), by the Palestine Strand of the Creative Interruptions research project. The research has aimed to explore how Palestinian filmmakers have used their cinema to give voice to their history and experience.

Sunday 29th September 6.30pm

Rod Duncan - Building Imaginary Worlds

How and why writers build imaginary worlds on the page and the changes these fantasies can make in the real world.

Sunday 6th October 6.30pm

George Lewis - Journey to Justice: Framing Stories of Social Justice in Leicester.

In October 2019, the Journey to Justice exhibition will showcase stories of local social justice movements from and in Leicester. How can we best explore and ensure its legacy?

Sunday 13th October 6.30pm

Jessica Cooke and Andrew Reeves - Responsible travelling in the Americas, without wings

6 months in the Americas, from Canada to Colombia without flying, crossing the Atlantic by Cargo ship.

Tuesday 15th October 7.30pm

Fundraising meal

*Fundraising meal and entertainment at **Chef & Spice** to fund scholarships at Uganda Humanist Schools.*

Tickets £15 (£9 goes to the appeal).

For further information text 07777602881.

Sunday 20th October 6.30pm

Everybody's Reading Event

Hamish Whiteley: Growing up with Grandma

Author Hamish Whiteley will discuss and read from his new book, which contains all the stories from the BBC Radio 4 series 'Growing up with Grandma'.

Sunday 27th October 6.30pm

Keith Kahn-Harris Good Jew/Bad Jew, Good Minority/Bad Minority: How Antisemitism and Racism Became Selective

These days both racists and anti-racists are becoming increasingly selective in choosing the minorities they love and hate. The antisemitism controversy in the Labour Party is a symptom of this.

Sunday 3rd November 6.30pm

Headstrong Meeting

Come along and bring any topic of your choosing for discussion in an informal setting.

Sunday 10th November 6.30pm

Christine Lindey - Art for All, British Socially Committed Art from the 1930s to the Cold War

An illustrated talk by Christine Lindey exploring British mid-20C art which kept alive socially committed and accessible art. Christine Lindey is an art historian with a special interest in socialist art.

Sunday 17th November 1st 3.00pm

Annual General Meeting

Reports from Society officers. Motions. Elections to the Board. (Members only)

Sunday 17th November 6.30pm

Ash Pryce - How to be a Psychic Conman

Learn to bend metal with your mind, read the thoughts of others, perform psychic surgery... or maybe it's just a trick?

Sunday 24th November 6.30pm

Ned Newitt - Leicester's Fight Against Racism

This talk traces the development of the anti racist movement in Leicester during the 1960s & 1970s. It includes the protests against colour bars, the response to the arrival of the Ugandan refugees and opposition to the ultra right hate mongers.

Sunday 1st December 6.30pm

Andrew Graves - Welcome to the Cheap Seats: Silver Screen Portrayals of the British Working Class.

An illustrated author talk about working class cinema and his accompanying book on the subject '*Welcome to the Cheap Seats*'

Sunday 8th December 6.30pm

Annual Leicester Secular Society Human Rights lecture. Details to be announced

Sunday 15th December 6.30pm

Seasonal Celebration

Details to be announced