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IHBC SCOTLAND EVENTS

IHBC Scotland branch in person and online event

4.00pm **Thursday 1st December 2022**

IHBC SCOTLAND BRANCH: 25TH ANNIVERSARY REFLECTION and AGM

We think it's time to reconnect in person to celebrate the IHBC's 25th anniversary with some reflections, wine and nibbles. We have booked the Augustine United Church, 41 George IV Bridge, Edinburgh EH1 1EL, at 4pm and the event will incorporate our AGM. It is free of charge. It will also be a hybrid meeting if you can't make it in person (but then you'll need to supply your own tipples of choice!).

We want to have a series of reflections about our work over the last 25 years and look forward to the next 25 years. Would you be willing to do a 5-10 minute presentation on your career highlights, your thoughts on what we have done well or perhaps how you want to contribute to the future of conservation. If you would like to do this (either in person or on-line) please contact Scotland@ihbc.org.uk

Please put **Thursday 1 December** in your diary and we will be in contact soon to see who can make it, in person or on-line. Please also consider whether you might wish to join the Scotland branch committee and develop its future programme.

Anna Grant, Trustee of IHBC

IHBC SCOTLAND NEWS

IHBC Marsh Awards: Scotland sweeps the board again! [IHBC Marsh Awards for 2022 \(and #IHBC25\) announced: 'Retired' to John Duncan \(SC\); 'Learning' shared by Leask Mackie & Jessica Burrows | IHBC NewsBlogs](#)

Our congratulations to John Duncan, Trustee at the Highland Historic Buildings Trust (HHBT), after retirement as Highland Council's Conservation Architect, to Leask Mackie, assiduous attender of conservation training put on by the Inverkeithing Heritage Regeneration programme, and to Jess Burrows (now at SHBT) whose research intersected data in the Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation (SIMD) with Scotland's Conservation Areas, creating a new dataset for critical appraisal of recent heritage-led regeneration efforts in Scotland's towns. The judges' decision was made just after the annual school was held in Aberdeen, and therefore the prize means the possibility of free attendance at next year's school in Swansea.

IHBC Annual School 2022 was delivered "in person" -the first since 2019- and also online, in Aberdeen and Aberdeenshire. <https://aberdeen2022.ihbc.org.uk/> showcased building conservation in Scotland, and particularly the North East, so we owe a big debt to the local organising team led by Douglas Campbell.



Zinnie Denby-Mann leads a tour to her former workplace, Marischal College / Aberdeen City Council HQ



Award-winning Fraserburgh regeneration team: Cheryl Roberts, Nick Brown and Christine Webster

If you participated online or in person, what were your experiences and have you any reflections to offer in this newsletter? Or in social media [#IHBCAberdeen2022](https://twitter.com/IHBCAberdeen2022)

Sanne Roberts makes these observations:

"Nothing can quite replace the coach-tours, camaraderie, contacts and catch-ups of an in-person IHBC School. But although I wasn't able to make it in person to Aberdeen this year, the virtual school was the next best (and affordable) thing.

I was able to watch the full Day School lectures from the comfort of my own home. Angus Robertson MSP gave a suitably Scottish flavour to the start of proceedings, and was followed by wide-ranging speakers and topics all linked to the theme 'Heritage on the Edge'. Highlights for me were Laura Sinclair Willis speaking about managing heritage sites in South Georgia, Bjorn Lindberg on the fantastic work being done to curate 'new' heritage of the petroleum industry, and a unique-style double-act of Nick Brown and Christine Webster giving practical pointers for heritage-led town regeneration. Speaking variously from the Falklands, Norway and Aberdeen itself this really showed the opportunity and flexibility of a hybrid format.

The Marketplace on the Thursday before the School was a great balance of CPD and interaction, both in small 'breakout' groups and a larger group where we were able to sit and chat with diverse members and officers of the IHBC. I made new connections whilst learning more about the IHBC's working group on Equality, Diversity and Inclusion, as well as Building at Risk case studies and the Historic England Stone Database. Of the various online events I've attended over the last few years, I think this is the nearest I've seen to providing a replacement to in person networking. The drawback being having to sort your own drink and nibbles."

Now the [feedback results](#) are in, the 2022 IHBC Annual School has:

- provided a 3-day course in Aberdeen in June 2022 of focused training for conservation professionals which include a series of different training methods including lectures, visits, networking etc.
 - provided online accessible one-day training through the virtual Day School
 - provided training for 253 delegates (83 in person)
 - developed IHBC branch networks and volunteer capacity to a professional standard of training delivery.
 - reinforced and reintroduced the importance of the IHBC Annual School in the annual training calendar of conservation professionals.
 - offered training which met the CPD requirements of 90% of delegates completely or sufficiently.
- and was felt to be invaluable, very useful or useful by 98% of delegates

IHBC Scotland Branch offered early career bursaries for attendance at the 2022 Summer School and travel grants open to any member (small m). There were no takers, in part because some of those who expressed interest were successful with other nationwide bursaries. The branch committee will review whether it is worthwhile repeating such bursaries next year, for attendance at Swansea.

Membership update and a reminder

Congratulations to our new full members Diane Barbary and Christa Gerdwilker!

Have you changed jobs? Please keep your email contact details up to date. That way you will continue to receive reminders and other important information regarding your membership. Use [our online form](#) to update your contact details.

You can subscribe or re-subscribe to specific UK-wide circulars at these links:
[IHBC Job Alert](#) | [IHBC NewsBlog](#) | [IHBC Members' News](#)

Some of our supporters, formerly affiliates, were sent this message in October from HQ, "Please note that any Supporters on the unpaid subs list will be terminated next week but will still be able to reinstate by paying their subscription before the end of the (calendar) year. Unpaid Full Members and Associates will be sent a letter from the President before being terminated at the end of October".

All 22 unpaid subscriptions for this year have now been cancelled. Supporters can still reinstate theirs by paying their subscription by the end of the year. All others have a year from the cancellation date to pay all outstanding subscriptions and reinstate their memberships.

Twitter: IHBC Scotland branch now has 2,244 followers, most of them not signed up as members or supporters, but helping to spread the message about building conservation in Scotland. Follow [@ihbcscotland](#) for the latest news in building conservation. Should the branch adopt other social media if we discover that changes to twitter drive a mass flight?

Exploring the History of the Meadows, Edinburgh, May 2022

Thank you to Christopher Dingwall, Vice Chair of Scotland's Garden and Landscape Heritage and member of IHBC Scotland Branch committee, for an expert and insightful account of the features of the Meadows given to an IHBC group this summer.



New and old at a development by LDN at Archers Hall, and the converted Boroughloch Brewery, now a tenement. Photo: Mark Watson



Stone from 11 quarries, 1886, see <https://artuk.org/discover/artworks/prince-albert-victor-sundial-315352> Photo: Charles Strang

OTHER NEWS & EVENTS

Membership Application Training Event (MATE) in Newcastle arranged by IHBC North Branch on **Thursday 17 November 2pm - 5pm**. To be led by Ramona Usher, the IHBC Professional Development Officer with Fiona Bage (ELG Heritage) and Sarah Dyer (Sarah Dyer Heritage Consultant).

- Do you want to know more about the changes to the membership categories?
- Do you need help upgrading your IHBC membership to Associate or Full?
- Are you unsure where to start with your application?
- Do you want to get to grips with the IHBC Areas of Competences?
- Do you want to establish contacts for further help and support?

It is a free event and will be held at Lichfields Offices, Floor 3 of The St Nicholas Building, St Nicholas Street, Newcastle upon Tyne NE1 1RF

Following the workshop there will be a chance to meet other members of North Branch and continue the chat over a friendly drink at the Bridge Hotel - a traditional venue boasting quiet secluded areas, cosy Victorian snugs, wooden panelling and carved fittings, together with stained glass windows and highly detailed mosaics.

Please confirm booking to stewart.ramsdale@btopenworld.com

AHSS lecture programme, online and **in Glasgow**

GEOFF BAILEY - The Architecture of Matthew Steele

Thursday 17th November 2022

7.30pm at the Renfield Centre, 260 Bath Street, Glasgow (barring any new Covid 19 restrictions)

Note: Lectures will also be streamed online via Zoom

Geoff Bailey of the Falkirk Local History Society [Heritage Engagement Officer Falkirk Community Trust] will talk about the unique style of the provincial architect Matthew Steele who gave the town of Bo'ness near Falkirk much of its present character. Working in the period 1910-1940 he adopted and adapted the latest designs and materials adding a Nordic twist to provide his own flavour. Within this the range is wide. His pioneering bespoke cinema is still a flagship project.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/425813308067>

DAVID COOK - Glasgow Building Preservation Trust and its Work

Thursday 19th January 2023

7.30pm at the Renfield Centre, 260 Bath Street, Glasgow (barring any new Covid 19 restrictions)

Note: Lectures will also be streamed online via Zoom

Director, David Cook and some of the team from GBPT discuss the highs and lows over 40 years in rescuing and repurposing Glasgow's historic buildings.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/425814902837>

SIMON GREEN - Old Churches, Why Bother?

Thursday 16th February 2023

7.30pm at the Renfield Centre, 260 Bath Street, Glasgow (barring any new Covid 19 restrictions)

Note: Lectures will also be streamed online via Zoom

As the Church of Scotland estate is reorganised, there are opportunities to examine the wealth of buildings and the opportunities for adaptation, regeneration and reuse. Simon Green celebrates some of the ecclesiastical heritage of Scotland which is transitioning from the ownership of the Church of Scotland. He will also look at examples of adaptation and reuse, some of which are perhaps more successful than others. <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/425816979047>

JOSEPH SHARPLES - The Workers Who Built The University Of Glasgow, 1867-71

Thursday 23rd March 2023

7.30pm at the Renfield Centre, 260 Bath Street, Glasgow (barring any new Covid 19 restrictions)

Note: Lectures will also be streamed online via Zoom

Joseph Sharples, Curator of Mackintosh Collections at the Hunterian, uncovers the fascinating story of the hundreds of masons, joiners, bricklayers and labourers who were drawn from across the British Isles to work on George Gilbert Scott's new University; one of the biggest building projects in Victorian Scotland. Their itinerant careers offer vivid, human insights into the hidden world of Victorian construction.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/425818764387>

AHSS lecture programme, online and in Edinburgh:

JUDY RILEY – Ornaments and Obelisks: Changes at Tynninghame in the Early 19th Century

Monday 14th November 2022

6.30pm at Augustine United Church, 41 George IV Bridge, Edinburgh EH1 1EL
(wheelchair accessible)

Note: Lectures will also be streamed online via Zoom

With the help of previously unpublished archival material, Judy Riley explores the development of Tynninghame House and gardens, in East Lothian, around the first half of the nineteenth century, including William Burn's work for the 9th Earl of Haddington. This is a joint lecture with Scotland's Garden and Landscape Heritage.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/ornaments-and-obelisks-changes-at-tyninghame-in-the-early-19th-century-tickets-402524109447>

RICHARD RODGER – Happy Homes: Cooperation, Community and the Edinburgh Colonies

Monday 12th December 2022

6.30pm at Augustine United Church, 41 George IV Bridge, Edinburgh EH1 1EL
(wheelchair accessible)

Note: Lectures will also be streamed online via Zoom

Edinburgh and Leith colony housing represents a very distinctive, immediately recognisable built form. Or so you might think. In fact there is considerable divergence in design, in prices (rents) and in the occupants. In this talk, Richard Rodger dissects the background to the housing, their owners, occupants, and other characteristics to reveal a new perspective on this housing type.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/happy-homes-cooperation-community-and-the-edinburgh-colonies-tickets-402593918247>

RICHARD MURPHY – Adaptation and Development: Transforming the former Royal High School and Other Projects

Monday 9th January 2023

6.30pm at Augustine United Church, 41 George IV Bridge, Edinburgh EH1 1EL
(wheelchair accessible)

Note: Lectures will also be streamed online via Zoom

Architect Richard Murphy explores his approach to designing within, and adjacent to, historic buildings, with particular emphasis on his current project – the conversion of Thomas Hamilton's Royal High School for St Mary's Music School and the creation of public performance spaces.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/adaptation-and-development-transforming-the-former-royal-high-school-tickets-411158264437>

JOSEPH SHARPLES – Researching the Granite City for 'The Buildings of Scotland'

Monday 13th February 2023

6.30pm at Augustine United Church, 41 George IV Bridge, Edinburgh EH1 1EL
(wheelchair accessible)

Note: Lectures will also be streamed online via Zoom

Joseph Sharples reflects on his year spent in Aberdeen researching and writing about the city's architecture for the Buildings of Scotland volume on *Aberdeenshire: South and Aberdeen*. He describes the process of research and fieldwork, and the challenge of distilling the Granite City's architectural riches – from the cloistered precincts of King's College to the harbour installations of today – into 200 pages of text in the approved Pevsner format.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/researching-the-granite-city-for-the-buildings-of-scotland-tickets-411165586337>

DR DIANE WATTERS – Discovering Urban School Buildings in Medieval and Early Modern Scotland

Monday 13th March 2023

6.30pm at Augustine United Church, 41 George IV Bridge, Edinburgh EH1 1EL
(wheelchair accessible)

Note: Lectures will also be streamed online via Zoom

In this talk, Dr Watters examines three grammar school case studies – St Andrews, Dunfermline and Edinburgh – highlighting the development of these medieval school buildings up to c.1600 and attempting to counter the orthodoxy that there were only a few permanent town school buildings in Scotland prior to the fifteenth century.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/discovering-urban-school-buildings-in-medieval-and-early-modern-scotland-tickets-411173961387>

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