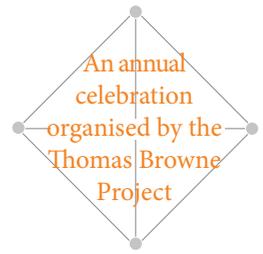


Sir Thomas Browne Day

Thursday 19 October 2017

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Wednesday 18 October, 7pm
Norfolk & Norwich Millennium Library

The Forum, Millennium Plain, Norwich. Free entry



Professor Claire Preston

The Curious Words of Sir Thomas Browne

A talk by Professor Claire Preston, Queen Mary University of London and editor of a new Complete Works of Thomas Browne

Sir Thomas Browne was a great inventor of words and a coiner of phrases, many of which have become established in our English language today – he contributed more new words than anyone other than William Shakespeare. Professor Claire Preston, an expert on Browne and his works will tell us about how and why these words came about, plus some interesting stories about his family, his life and his literary works.

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THE CURIOUS WORDS OF SIR THOMAS BROWNE: A TALK BY PROFESSOR CLAIRE PRESTON



The celebrated Norwich physician and writer Sir Thomas Browne influenced many of the greatest writers from the seventeenth century to our own day including Virginia Woolf and the much-loved Max Sebald.

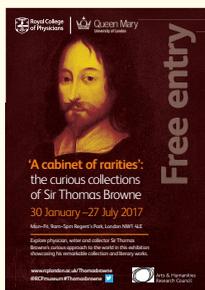
Thomas Browne was a doctor with a wide practice in the city and beyond, a scientist, natural historian, philosopher, and polymath with a Europe-wide reputation. His important works cover subjects as diverse as medicine, botany, archaeology, languages, anatomy, ornithology, folklore, and biblical scholarship and he remains one of the great canonical writers of English literature. Perhaps his most vivid contribution to our culture is his incessant and imaginative invention of words and phrases in a period when new discoveries required new vocabulary.

The inaugural Sir Thomas Browne Society lecture will introduce this fascinating man as a citizen of Norwich and of the international world of learning, and there will be time for questions afterwards.

There is also a display of artefacts and books from the Library collection in a case on the ground floor of the Library and on the 2nd floor near the lift.

The talk is free but please book a place via Eventbrite so that we can keep track. As the library will be closed to the public, please arrive promptly for 7pm.

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Exhibition at the Royal College of Physicians

A Cabinet of Rarities: The Curious Collections of Sir Thomas Browne is long-running exhibition at the Royal College of Physicians in London, recently extended to 1 December

On **Thursday 19 October 6.30-9pm** there is a special event
Sensational scents: a sensory journey to the 17th century

Join scent expert Sophie Read at the Royal College of Physicians' museum for an intriguing voyage via the senses to the fascinating world of writer, doctor and 17th century collector Sir Thomas Browne.



Tickets: £12 including a cocktail. Concession (student, over 60s, unwaged) £10. Tickets limited, book early to reserve your place via Eventbrite <http://bit.ly/2yypC0z>

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