

## Programme 2010

Meetings, unless otherwise indicated, will be held at the ARTWORKERS GUILD, 6 QUEEN SQUARE, BLOOMSBURY, LONDON WC1N 3AT at 6.30 p.m. Nearest Underground station: Russell Square.

### **JANUARY**

**Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup>**: Social Evening, with refreshments, to include an introduction by Dr Tony Williams to our book of the year, *The Old Curiosity Shop*.

### **FEBRUARY**

\* **Monday 8<sup>th</sup>**: Celebrating Charles Dickens's 198<sup>th</sup> Birthday, dinner at the National Liberal Club.

**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup>**: 'What the Butler Saw - Victorian domestic servants': talk by Alison Gowans.

### **MARCH**

**Monday 22<sup>nd</sup>**: Film of *The Old Curiosity Shop* (details tbc).

### **APRIL**

**Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup>**: 'Youth and Age in *The Old Curiosity Shop*': talk by Professor Grahame Smith, President of the Dickens Fellowship.

### **MAY**

**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup>**: Dickens Day at Leadenhall Market: all-day reading of *The Pickwick Papers* (tbc).

\***Sunday 16<sup>th</sup>**: Commemoration Service at the Church of St George the Martyr, Borough High Street, at 11.00 a.m., followed by lunch at the George Inn, Southwark.

**Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup>**: 'Writing a Life of Dickens – and After?': talk by Professor Michael Slater.

### **JUNE**

\***Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup>**: Wreath-laying at Westminster Abbey to mark the 140<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the death of Charles Dickens. Assemble at 5.45 p.m. inside the West Door. Members may wish to attend Evensong beforehand in the Abbey at 5.00 p.m.

### **JULY**

**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> – Monday 26<sup>th</sup>**: 104<sup>th</sup> International Dickens Fellowship Conference in Eastbourne. Further details from the Conference website [www.dickensfellowship.org/Conference2010.htm](http://www.dickensfellowship.org/Conference2010.htm).  
Contact: Maggie de Vos, 7 Wellington Quay, Sovereign Harbour North, Eastbourne BN23 5AQ (e-mail: [dickens2010@googlemail.com](mailto:dickens2010@googlemail.com)).

### **AUGUST**

**Saturday 14<sup>th</sup>**: 'Dickens North of Doughty Street': walk led by Dr Tony Williams. Meet at the Charles Dickens Museum at 2 p.m.

### **SEPTEMBER**

\***Saturday 4<sup>th</sup>**: Annual Outing, this year to Knebworth House in Hertfordshire.

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup>**: 'Bloody Murder! – Dickens and the Police': talk by Allan Clack.

### **OCTOBER**

**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup>**: *The Old Curiosity Shop*: talk by Dr Beryl Gray.

**Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup>**: Open Day at the Charles Dickens Museum, as part of the Bloomsbury Festival (tbc).

### **NOVEMBER**

**Monday 15<sup>th</sup>**: 'Dickens and Turner': joint meeting with the Turner Society, with contributions from Professor Malcolm Andrews, Professor Léonee Ormond and Turner expert, Andrew Wilton.

### **DECEMBER**

\***Saturday 4<sup>th</sup>**: Christmas Supper.

**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup>**: Entertainments and social event.

For details of events marked \* please contact the Social Events Organiser, Peter Duggan, 6 Citrus House, Alverton Street, Deptford, London SE8 5NP. Telephone (after 7 p.m. please, Monday to Friday only): 020 8691 1039. Fuller programme information, including details of any supplementary events, will be published in the London Particular and on the website, [www.dickensfellowship.org](http://www.dickensfellowship.org).  
Details of events marked 'tbc' are to be confirmed.

