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At the WEA, we believe all adults should have access to the opportunities of education, right on their doorstep. With 2,000+ dedicated tutors, 3,000+ active volunteers and supportive members, we spread our impact nationwide.

Together, we believe in access to adult learning for all. We believe in lifelong learning for all. And we believe adult learning counts towards a better, fairer society for all.

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Spring One Day School

Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> April 2019

## The Art of Captain Cook's Voyages

with

Dr. Prasannajit de Silva



The Royal Exchange before the fire of London,  
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## Shopping in 17<sup>th</sup> Century London

with

Dr. Juliet Claxton



## Girton (1869) and Newnham (1871) – Cambridge's first women's colleges

with  
Honor Ridout

Feering Community Centre Coggeshall Road, Feering, CO5 9QB  
11.00 am – 3.30 pm (Lunch Break from 12.45 to 2.00 pm)

Fee: £12.00 (includes tea/coffee and biscuits)  
(free to all in receipt of a qualifying benefit)

## The Art of Captain Cook's Voyages

### Dr. Prasannajit de Silva

Captain Cook's fame largely rests on the three expeditions to the Pacific that he led in the 1760s and 1770s. In addition to their important role in the history of European exploration, they are notable for being the first such voyages to include professional artists among the crew. These artists played a critical role in recording the places visited and the people and flora and fauna encountered on the voyages. But how did they deal with the novel surroundings they encountered? How was their work shaped by Enlightenment ideas of the time? And how did their work go on to shape European understanding of those settings?

*Dr. Prasannajit de Silva is an associate lecturer at Birkbeck College, having gained his first degree in Mathematics before studying Art History, gaining MA and DPhil degrees from the University of Sussex. He lectures both for the WEA and the Arts Society (NADFAS).*

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## Cambridge's First Women's Colleges: Girton (1869) and Newnham (1871)

### Honor Ridout

The founder of the first college for women, Emily Davis, set up her establishment 150 years ago with the highest objectives. It was followed a few years later by a second with slightly more modest aims. The enthusiasm of the pioneer women (and male supporters) shines through the letters and diaries recording their 80-year struggle within a divided community to become full members of the University.

*Honor Ridout came to Cambridge as a student at Newnham in 1967, and remained in the area. She was the first Tourist Officer for Cambridge City Council and qualified as a Tour Guide. She worked for Cambridge University in the Admissions Office, became Chair of the Cambridgeshire Association for Local History, and has taught many WEA courses, including Essex Summer Schools on the histories of Cambridge and London.*

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Girton College



Newnham College

## Shopping in 17<sup>th</sup> Century London

### Dr. Juliet Claxton

Every day, London welcomes thousands of people, both local and from further afield, who come armed with sturdy bags and comfortable shoes ready to shop. As modern consumers we shop for necessity and enjoyment, and London has a world-renowned reputation for its shopping. But how and when did shopping become the leisure activity many of us enjoy today? Although Medieval and Tudor Londoners had access to a wide variety of goods through basic shops, annual fairs and street pedlars, from the late 16<sup>th</sup> century onwards the activities of European overseas trading companies, such as the East India Company, brought a wealth of new, luxury goods into the capital. Spices and silks from India, porcelain and tea from China changed how we ate, dressed and decorated our homes. This course will examine how the introduction of these novel consumables influenced the development of new retail destinations, known as the Exchanges, and turned shopping into a fashionable, leisure pursuit.

*Dr. Juliet Claxton has a PhD from Queen Mary, University of London, specialising in the cultural context of luxury Asian goods in early modern Europe. She has taught undergraduate courses at Queen Mary, University of London and King's College, London. Juliet currently works as a researcher for the joint King's College, London/Wellcome Trust project 'Renaissance Skin' investigating all aspects of skin, both human and animal, in the early modern period.*

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Chinese Porcelain cup,  
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## Booking form for One Day Schools - Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> April 2019

Please complete the form below and send with a cheque made out to **WEA Essex Federation** to: Mrs Jane Dougan, Wildwood Cottage, Watchouse Road, Chelmsford CM2 8ND.

Please choose ONE of the topics. Each course is in two parts, separated by lunch.

**I wish to reserve the following place(s):**

**The Art of Captain Cook's Voyages**

**Cambridge's First Women's Colleges**

**Shopping in 17<sup>th</sup> Century London**


A loop system is available, please indicate if required: Yes / No

Fee enclosed £ ..... (Please enclose s.a.e. if receipt required)

Name and address, including postcode

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Telephone number: .....

E-mail (if available): .....

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Name(s) .....

Branch Course / Day School at .....

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If you have **NOT** previously enrolled during this academic year there will be a short enrolment form to complete when you arrive.

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