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Public Lecture Series

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The Aesthetics of Living in the Modern European City

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Venue: Pushkin House

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The Public Lecture Series will provide an overview of the European topography of the so-called 'elegant world', an imaginary community of urban origin which gradually superseded predominant social and gender norms in the 19th Century.

Leading international academics will discuss specific media, spaces, and cultural practices of the European urban elite in detail, focusing on the aesthetics of their lifestyle in the imperial metropolises of London, Paris, and Saint Petersburg, as well as in aspiring Central and Eastern European cities. Lectures will be held at two neighbouring venues on Bloomsbury Square to emphasise the cross-cultural European character of the topic: Pushkin House is hosting the first lecture and the German Historical Institute London will be welcoming the second and third events.

Monday, 24 April 2017

Dr Olga Vainshtein, Russian State University for the Humanities, Moscow

Rules of Elegance. Russian and British Dandyism in the 19th Century

Thursday, 25 May 2017 Professor Joachim Rees, Freie University Berlin

Selling the Metropolis. Friedrich Justin Bertuch's Journal "London and Paris" and the Mediations of Elegance around 1800 PUSHKIN HOUSE
THE HOME OF RUSSIAM CULTURE

Pushkin House, 5A Bloomsbury Square, London WC1A 2TA Music and Function room, 1st Floor Tickets: £7 / £5



German Historical Institute, 17 Bloomsbury Square, London WC1A 2NJ Seminar Room, 1st Floor Free admission

Thursday, 6 July 2017 Professor Annegret Pelz, University of Vienna

Diary, Scrapbook, Panorama of Social Life. Prince Hermann von Pueckler-Muskau's "Pictorial Souvenirs" from England



German Historical Institute, 17 Bloomsbury Square, London WC1A 2NJ Seminar Room, 1st Floor Free admission

The lectures begin at 6:30 pm, followed by a Q&A session and a wine reception.

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