

Lecture Series

Ellen Barnes Lecture Series

Welcome to the **2011/2012 Ellen Barnes Lecture Series**. This year sees a variety of public lectures and recitals, which are free to members of the public, all lectures take place at Stalybridge Civic Hall.

Ellen Barnes was born in 1842, daughter of John and Emma Cheetham of Eastwood House, Stalybridge. Her father was a mill owner and MP and gave financial help to the Congregational School and Church, Stalybridge, where Ellen married James Richardson Barnes in 1864.

Ellen was a committed educationalist and supporter of local organisations. This commitment continued after her death in 1920 when she left a sum of money to 'the Mayor and Alderman of Stalybridge... for the payment of lectures on literary subjects'.

This legacy became known as the **Ellen Barnes Lecture Series**. Since October 1925 this generous bequest has provided free public lectures during the Winter months.

Extracts of research on Ellen Barnes by Dorothy King.

The **Ellen Barnes Lecture Series** is organised by **Tameside Arts and Events Team**. For further information please visit www.tameside.gov.uk/events or contact **0161 342 4144**.



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at Stalybridge Civic Hall

Wednesday 23 November, 7.30pm

A GOOD MYSTERY, A LIFE OF WRITING CRIME

Kate Ellis

Author Kate Ellis talks about her life as a crime novelist, her inspirations, the writing process and how she keeps her readers enthralled with a good mystery. She has recently published her eighteenth novel, *The Jackal Man*.

Wednesday 14 December, 7.30pm

FORENSIC SCIENCE

Jennifer Innes

What are crime scene investigation and forensic science? How do the different aspects of forensic science, e.g. entomology, pathology, ballistics, psychology, assist in the solving of a variety of dilemmas?

Wednesday 1 February, 7.30pm

MORE QUESTIONS THAN ANSWERS (Gorse Hall Murders)

Christine Clough & Graham Brown

On November 1, 1990. Mill-owner George H. Storrs was stabbed to death at his home. Although two men were tried, both were acquitted and it remains the classic unsolved murder mystery.

A diary of events leading up to and after the murder of George H. Storrs will be explored by Christine Clough and Graham Brown.

Wednesday 11 January, 7.30pm
NORTH WEST FILM ARCHIVE

One of the largest public moving image collections in Britain, the North West Film Archive rescues and ensures the survival of films and video covering the North West of England for the education and enjoyment of the region's people.

Wednesday 22 February, 7.30pm
MANCHESTER ODDITIES

Keith Warrender

A celebration of unusual people and places around Greater Manchester. Wayside curiosities are uncovered, along with tall tales of local characters. Explore strange buildings, odd customs and hear about some extraordinary place names.



Stalybridge Civic Hall has a lift available to the first floor