

Saturday 19th October 2019
At 10.30 am in
Reardon Smith Lecture Theatre,
Park Place, Cardiff

The Blue Nile from its Source to the Sea.

A Talk by television producer and presenter, columnist and author, Aled Samuel

To say that the Nile is an extraordinary river is an understatement. It is the greatest river in the world. Not only the longest river but also the river that affects the greatest number of people. Wars have been fought over it, entire countries have been denied access to it. It's been drained, dredged, dammed, diverted, overused and silted. History has been moved to make way for it. Yet it still flows. The Nile is split into two rivers, from two separate sources, they join forces to the north of Khartoum in Sudan. The White Nile, - by far the longest of the two, with its source to the south of Burundi, and the Blue Nile, which despite its shorter journey, supplies by far the most of the Nile's flow. It springs from Lake Tana in the hills of Ethiopia, and it is the Blue Nile that will be the subject of this lecture.

Aled Samuel has been a Graphic Designer and illustrator, a bar manager, a roofer, a labourer, a researcher, a television presenter and producer, a columnist, an author, and a stand-up comedian, but always a traveller. His latest book is called 'Can lle i weld yn Ewrop cyn Brexit' translated 'A hundred places to see in Europe before Brexit'. He has filmed on almost every continent in the world, roughed it through deserts and along rivers, but also filmed in some astonishingly luxurious hotels. Aled is married to the actress Rhian Morgan and they have two sons, Ifan and Mabon. Although Aled is a native of what he refers to as 'that quaint little fishing village on the south coast, Port Talbot', they have lived as a family in Llandeilo for the past twenty-two years.

The admission charge for this event, to include a post-lecture coffee and biscuit is £8 in advance for Friends or £10 at the door. If you wish to take advantage of the concessionary rate, please complete the slip below and send it with your cheque to Kathleen Jones, 18, Heol Wen, Rhiwbina, Cardiff CF14 6EG [tel: 029 20627897] by **Wednesday 16th October 2019**. To minimise postal costs no acknowledgement will be sent. This event is open to the public at £10 per head, so all are welcome.

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