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Visit to Gloucester Cathedral & Highnam Court Gardens

Wednesday 6th July 2022

8.00	Coach departs National Museum Wales, Cathays Park
8.15	Pick up passengers at Wild Gardens Road, Roath Park
10.15	Arrive at Gloucester Cathedral. Coffee & biscuits not included
11.00	Guided group tour of the Cathedral
12.30	Lunch in the Parliament Room. Included in cost. (<i>Please note there are 17 steps to the room</i>)
2.00	Leave Gloucester Cathedral for Highnam Court
2.30	Arrive at Highnam Court Gardens
4.00	Tea and cake. Included in cost
4.45	Leave Highnam Court Gardens arriving back in Cardiff around 6.30 pm.

Gloucester is one of the most outstanding cathedrals in the UK. Familiar to old and young alike from the Harry Potter films! The Cathedral has strong links with the composer Vaughan Williams whose 150th anniversary is celebrated this year and where his iconic *Tallis Fantasia* was first performed in 1910. Our cathedral visit will be guided and then followed by a self-service buffet lunch to be served in the historic Parliament rooms. Please note that there are seventeen steps up to this room and whilst there is no lift a handrail is in place.

Highnam Court - not open to the public - is surrounded by stunning gardens which are the focus of the visit. Sir Hubert Parry, the famous Victorian composer – think *Jerusalem* – bought the Court in 1838 and laid out the gardens in the 'Gardenesque' style. By the early 20th century the gardens had become neglected and it was only with its purchase in 1994 by the present owner Roger Head that the task of lovingly restoring the gardens took place. Sturdy shoes are recommended for walking on some of the uneven paths in the garden.

Geraint Lewis, eminent musicologist and composer, will accompany this visit and talk on the coach about Vaughan Williams's connections with Gloucester Cathedral. He will also mention Sir Hubert Parry who was his teacher at the Royal College of Music. An October Friends talk by Geraint is scheduled on Vaughan Williams.

The cost of the day is £48

To join us, make your cheque payable to Friends of National Museum Wales, and send the completed cheque and form below to **Richard Carter, 2 Maes y Deri, Rhiwbina, Cardiff CF14 6JJ**.

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NB: Please do not pay for more than one event on the same cheque.

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Address _____ Postcode _____

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Please reserve ___ place/s for the above visit. Please state any dietary requirements.

I enclose a cheque for £ _____ (in favour of Friends National Museum Wales).

I/ we shall be boarding the coach at the NMW Cathays Park _____ Wild Gardens Road, Roath Park _____

I/we confirm membership of Friends Museum Wales _____