



The President's Lecture

Thursday 21st August 2025 at 10.45 am at Kenwood House Hampstead Lane NW3 7JR



President's Lecture given by Dr Julius Bryant on 21st August 2025 at 10.45

'John Lockwood Kipling, the William Morris of India '

John Lockwood Kipling (1837-1911) has many claims to fame but in the United Kingdom, he was proud to have his reputation outshone by that of his son, Rudyard. His early years as a specialist in architectural ceramics were spent as part of the team building the Victoria and Albert Museum and in 2017-18 he was the subject of a major exhibition at the V & A and in New York's Bard Graduate Center. This pioneering exhibition revealed how, in the national art and design schools of India and Pakistan today, 'JLK' is still held in high esteem as a teacher and museum director who championed the traditional arts and crafts of the sub-continent, as a benign agent of the British Empire.

As the initiator of the exhibition and the V&A's lead curator, Dr Bryant will share his research adventures, through a journey over several years seeking lost works of art and design and negotiating loans for the exhibition. Sharing many of his personal photographs, he will take us from Osborne on the Isle of Wight to Bateman's and Bagshot Park, to Mumbai, to Simla and the Vice Regal Lodge surrounded by the Himalayas, to Lahore and even into a former missile store beneath Salisbury Plain.

We are delighted that Julius Bryant has again agreed to give the Presidential Lecture. Julius is the Keeper Emeritus of Word and Image at the Victoria and Albert Museum. He is the author of many books and in an earlier life was Curator at Kenwood House and has written the authoritative book on the Iveagh Bequest

The cost of the lecture is **£25** per person or guest

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