



## Welcome to the January Newsletter

### Breaking News - NADFAS is to be rebranded

Shortly after 17 May 2017, the name NADFAS will be replaced with a new name - The Arts Society. One of the driving forces behind the new name is to make the society more visible to the public so that it can sit equally alongside other Arts organisations.



The new NADFAS/Arts Society Branding

NADFAS President, Loyd Grossman, commented:

*“Over the past year I have followed the rebranding process with great interest. The outcome is a clear and confident brand with beautifully crafted visuals, which will help ensure the future of The Arts Society for the next 50 years and beyond.”*

NADFAS Chairman, June Robinson, reassured members:

*“Even though we’ll look and sound a little different, we will still offer the same services: through our excellent lectures we will provide welcoming opportunities for our members to discover and connect to the arts and each other. We will also ensure that heritage has a future through conservation and preservation, and we’ll continue to support the skills of tomorrow’s artists and makers.*

*The belief that the arts are essential to enriching people’s lives will always be at the very heart of who we are.”*

Fuller details of how this affects us here in Jersey will be given at our February lecture. Meanwhile, further information, including FAQs and a short film about the process can be viewed on the NADFAS website, here: [www.nadfas.org.uk/branding](http://www.nadfas.org.uk/branding).

### **New England's Old Architecture - with Roger Mitchell**

Our New Year started with a really absorbing and informative talk about New England's old architecture, given by Roger Mitchell and covering the Shaker Communities right through to the Vanderbilt and Astor "cottages". What a picturesque area New England is, and I suppose we find it particularly charming because it was architecture that came originally from England. The clapboard houses and tile hung cottages are reminiscent of those found in Kent and Sussex.

Roger, very cleverly, showed us the proximity of New Jersey to New England and pointed out that it was founded by de Carteret from our island.



Roger gives us a history of New England's Old Architecture



New Jersey and New England have many links

### **Follow-Up Workshops at Ash Interiors - with Sue Harris**

Following on from the New England talk, two workshops were held at Ash Interiors. Sessions started with a slide show presentation by Sue Harris and interjections by yours truly! We ran through slides showing exteriors and interiors of Shaker style, slowly introducing the way this can be used in our own homes.

After tea/coffee and chit chat came the 'hands on' workshop. Everyone was given a colour board to create a scheme of their choice using cuttings and materials in various colours, styles and textures. Some people already had specific rooms in mind and simply wanted help and advice.

Others enjoyed finding out how to put together the New England look. The results were most impressive with lots of fun, laughter and chatter along the way.

The final request....more of the same please!

### **Let the music play on**

If you haven't already done so, at our next lecture, take some time to listen to the music playing as you arrive. Our photographer, Mick Toal, takes great care and a tremendous amount of time to compile a playlist that perfectly matches the mood and content of the evening's presentation. Our thanks go to Mick.

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## Jersey Youth Arts

We're delighted to introduce Jacqui Rutter as a committee member. She will shortly be forming a sub- committee dedicated to Youth Arts - great news as we'd love to welcome more young people to JEDFAS, bringing new ideas and creative energy to the society.

## Your Opinion Counts

Watch your 'in' boxes for a short questionnaire we will be sending out soon. We value your thoughts and ideas so please take a moment to complete the survey. Your responses will help us constantly change and improve. So, many thanks in anticipation of your help.

## Dates for your Diary

### **The Art of Elegant Dining with Peter Le Rossignol - 8th February**

Don't miss out on this marvellous opportunity to hear local expert Peter Le Rossignol tell us all about Victorian dining whilst sharing with us his fabulous display of treasured Victorian tableware.

And why not stay for an optional lunch, using original Victorian recipes and served by students of Highlands Restaurant Academy. There will be a grand centre table laid out with all original tableware.

Time - Coffee and talk only 10.30 am to Midday

Lunch - served from 12.30pm

Venue - Highlands College Victorian Gothic Hall

Cost - Coffee and talk £12.50

- Lunch £22 (£27.50 to sit at the grand centre table)

All monies raised will be given as a Bursary to an outstanding student to be nominated by the Catering College.

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## **Galle, Lalique and Their Contemporary Glass Makers with Diana Lloyd - 21st February**

We're delighted to welcome Diana Lloyd, lecturer in Ceramic and Glass and the History of Interior design at the Inchbold School of Design, as our presenter. Emile Galle created Art Nouveau glass using his concept that an object is a work of art rather than a vessel. Rene Lalique first used glass in his jewellery but then in the early 20C, he moved to glass objects, which resulted in his outstanding Art Deco style. His work can be seen in the windows of the Glass Church, here in Jersey.

### **Forthcoming Trips and Excursions**

We're currently working hard to put together a programme of day trips for your Summer diaries. We'll give you further details as soon as we've finalised plans and we really hope that many of you will be able to join us.

Many thanks for your continued support.

## **June**

Chairman

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