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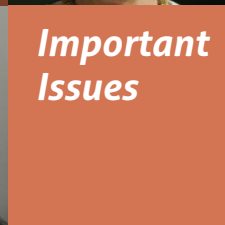
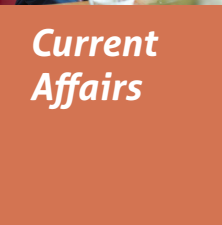
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Crichton Conversations

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The Crichton Foundation invites you to join us for the Crichton Conversations. These will be held at Easterbrook Hall, Bankend Road, Dumfries DG1 4TA.

The Crichton Conversations continue to attract high calibre speakers pre-eminent in their fields and our audiences enjoy opportunities for discussion and questions on a range of topical subjects of relevance to today's Scotland. We are delighted to welcome our distinguished speakers.

BOOKING INFORMATION:

The usual format for the Crichton Conversations is doors open at 7pm with lectures beginning at 7:30pm prompt. A two-course supper, followed by coffee, will be served after the question and answer sessions close at 9:00pm. Red or white wine will be available for purchase by the glass from Easterbrook Hall. Please note that supper must be pre-booked at least one week in advance of the event. No refunds will be made for cancellations made less than one week before the event.

Alternatively, if you prefer, early supper may also be booked through Neuro's Restaurant on 01387 702500.

At the Evening with Alexander McCall Smith guests will be served a glass of wine (a non-alcoholic alternative will be available), included in the ticket price. The lecture will begin at 7:30pm prompt and will be followed by a book sale. The event will close at 9:00pm.

Please note that no tickets will be issued for the Conversations, you will receive confirmation of your place(s) with a booking reference number via email (by telephone if you do not have access to email).

To book your place at the Crichton Conversations, or to be included in the mailing list for future events, please contact the Foundation:

Email: mail@crichtonfoundation.com Tel: 01387 702048

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Crichton Conversation



Date: Tuesday 9th October 2018
Speaker: Dame Frances Cairncross DBE FRSE
Title: *Can News Survive?*
Time: Lecture at 7:30pm; Supper at 9pm
Tickets: £6 for lecture only, £17 for lecture and supper

We warmly welcome Dame Frances Cairncross to deliver the opening lecture of the 2018/19 Crichton Conversations. Frances has strong Galloway connections and has been a supportive and energetic Patron of the Crichton Foundation for many years.

Presently Chair of the Court of Heriot Watt University, she is a highly respected economist, academic and journalist and is the former Rector of Exeter College,

Oxford. Prior to her decade at Oxford, she spent 13 years on the Guardian as an economic columnist and 20 years at The Economist magazine as a senior editor.

As well as being the author of a number of books, she chairs the Executive Committee of the Institute of Fiscal Studies and in 2001-07 she chaired the Economic and Social Research Council.



Date: Tuesday 30th October 2018
Speaker: Professor Murray Pittock FRSE
Title: Robert Burns and the Scottish Economy
Time: Lecture at 7:30pm; Supper at 9pm
Tickets: £6 for lecture only, £17 for lecture and supper

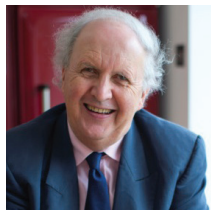
Proud, as we are, in this region of the history of Robert Burns, the fact that he is a global star to this day creates social, cultural and economic opportunities for the south west and furth of Scotland.

Professor Murray Pittock is an international expert in this field. A leading Scottish cultural historian, Bradley Professor and Pro Vice –Principal at Glasgow University he also acts as Honorary Adviser in Scottish History to the National Trust for Scotland. He has been invited to speak or

held visiting appointments at UC Berkeley, Columbia, Harvard, New York University, Stanford, Yale and many other leading universities. His recent books include *The Scots Musical Museum* (Volumes II and III) and *The Reception of Robert Burns in Europe* (2014). His research projects include Robert Burns and the Scottish Economy funded by the Scottish Government.

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Crichton Conversation



Date: Wednesday 5th December 2018
Title: An Evening with Alexander McCall Smith
Time: Lecture at 7:30pm
Tickets: £10 for lecture
with a glass of wine included

We are delighted at the return of one of Scotland's most successful contemporary authors.

Alexander McCall Smith was formerly Professor of Medical Law at the University of Edinburgh and is now Professor Emeritus. He served as vice chairman of the Human Genetics Commission of the UK, chairman of the British Medical Journal Ethics Committee and was a member of the International Bioethics Commission of UNESCO.

Sandy has written more than a hundred books including specialist academic titles and children's books. He is best known for The No 1 Ladies Detective Agency series, set in Botswana, which has been translated into 46 languages and has sold over 20 million copies worldwide. The series has

been the subject of a film and TV series that has been broadcast all round the world. He is also the author of The Sunday Philosophy Series and 44 Scotland Street.

He has also written a number of standalone novels and has collaborated with Scottish composer Tom Cunningham including the Okavango Macbeth and Scotland at Night.

He holds a number of awards including 13 Honorary Doctorates from universities throughout the world. In 2007 he was made a CBE for services to literature and most recently was presented in New York with the National Arts Club of America Medal of Honour for Achievement in Literature.

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Date: Tuesday 22nd January 2019
Speaker: Allan Little
Title: The Power of Conversation
Time: Lecture at 7:30pm; Supper at 9pm
Tickets: £6 for lecture only, £17 for lecture and supper

Allan Little is one of Scotland's most distinguished journalists. Born and raised in Galloway he was educated at Edinburgh University. He joined the BBC in 1983 in Glasgow, moving to London in 1985 to train as a reporter. He rapidly joined the Today programme moving into foreign news in 1989 and his first major assignment was the fall of communism that year. He reported the Gulf War from Baghdad in 1991, then the war in Yugoslavia from 91-95. He also served as BBC Moscow correspondent and then the BBC Paris Correspondent. He has reported from more than 80 countries,

several wars and revolutions as well as natural disasters. He has covered the European crisis and led BBC coverage of the Scottish Independence referendum.

Among awards he has won Reporter of the Year and the Charles Wheeler Award for outstanding contribution to Broadcast Journalism. He is presently chair of the Edinburgh International Book Festival.

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Crichton Conversation



The Annual SRUC Lecture

Date: Tuesday 19th February 2019
Speaker: Nigel Miller
Title: Is Food Too Cheap?
Time: Lecture at 7:30pm; Supper 9pm
Tickets: £6 for lecture only, £17 for lecture and supper

A graduate of the Royal (Dick) School of Veterinary Studies, Nigel hails from Galawater in the Borders. He worked in mainly farm animal veterinary practice in Rogart, Sutherland before returning to the Borders to farm in partnership with his father and now with his sons on a 500 hectare upland unit with 180 cows, 800 ewes and some cropping. He worked with MAFF based in Dumfries during the Foot and Mouth outbreak and from 2001 became involved in the NFU Scotland

finally becoming President and standing down in 2015.

He is a past chair of the Farming and Wildlife Advisory Group and Board member of SRUC and SAC Commercial. He is presently a Board member of the Moredun Institute and Chair of Livestock Health Scotland.

Lecture sponsored by:
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Date: Tuesday 19th March 2019
Speaker: The Right Honourable James Wolffe QC
Title: Prosecuting Crime
Time: Lecture at 7:30pm; Supper at 9pm
Tickets: £6 for lecture only, £17 for lecture and supper

James Wolffe is recognised as one of Scotland's leading legal experts and we are delighted to welcome this distinguished Galloway man to the Crichton. Brought up in Gatehouse of Fleet, he went to primary school there and then on to Kirkcudbright Academy. He studied at the University of Edinburgh and then went up to Balliol College Oxford where he became a Bachelor in Civil Law. He was called to the Scottish Bar in 1992 and took silk in 2007.

He was First Standing Junior Counsel to the Scottish Ministers from 2002 to 2007, the same year he was appointed Queen's Counsel. From 2007 to 2010 he served as Advocate Depute. Called to the Bar of England and Wales in 2013, James was elected Dean of the Faculty of Advocates in 2014. He was appointed Lord Advocate on the 1st June 2016. The Lord Advocate is the senior law officer of the Scottish Government and is the head of the system of prosecution and investigation of deaths in Scotland.

Additional Information

Early supper at Neuro's

If you prefer to enjoy a pre-event meal we are delighted to announce that Neuro's Restaurant will be offering a set menu to Crichton Conversation guests. You will be served two courses with coffee for the special price of £10. **To book please contact Neuro's on 01387 702500 and quote the reference "Crichton Conversations."**

For those who would like to relax with supper after the lecture and continue the topical conversation on an informal basis, this will be available in Duncan Room 4. Pre-booking through the Foundation is essential. Please call us on 01387 702048.

Annual General Meeting

Date: Wednesday 26th September 2018

Time: 5:30pm

Venue: Room B205, Browne House, Bankend Road, Dumfries DG1 4ZZ

You are cordially invited to join us for our AGM and hear more about our activities over the last year.

Crichton Foundation Lunch

Date: Friday 9th November 2018

Time: Pre-luncheon drinks from 11:30am

Venue: Easterbrook Hall, Bankend Road, Dumfries DG1 4TA

Following the success of the annual Women of Dumfries and Galloway Lunch we are delighted to invite both women and men to join us for inaugural Crichton Foundation Lunch. The day will begin with a drinks reception followed by a two-course lunch with a glass of wine. After coffee, guests will have the chance to relax and enjoy the opportunity to hear our two guest speakers – Miranda Leslie and Colin Crosbie.

Tickets £37 each

Women of Dumfries and Galloway Lunch

Date: Friday 8th March 2019

Time: Pre-luncheon drinks from 11:30am

Venue: Easterbrook Hall, Bankend Road, Dumfries DG1 4TA

Plans are underway for the 2019 Women's Lunch. The invitations for the 17th annual Women of Dumfries and Galloway Lunch will be sent out early in 2019. We predict that yet again this will be a popular event celebrating the contribution to the region of the Women of Dumfries and Galloway.

Tickets £37 each

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To add your name to the invitation lists for these events contact Crichton Foundation:

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Crichton Conversations 2018/19

- Tuesday 9th October 2018
- Tuesday 30th October 2018
- Wednesday 5th December 2018
- Tuesday 22nd January 2019
- Tuesday 19th February 2019
- Tuesday 19th March 2019

Early Supper in Neuro's

6pm

Early supper in Neuro's - 2 courses and coffee for £10

To book a table call Neuro's on 01387 702500

Please book in advance and quote 'Crichton Conversations' at the time of booking

Lecture in Easterbrook Hall

7.30pm

Crichton Conversations Lecture - £6

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