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The Punch and Judy Show

A Subversive symbol from Commedia dell'Arte to the Present Day

Lecture by Bertie Pearce

Wednesday 1 July 2015 at 2.00 pm

United Reformed Church Hall St. Georges Rd, St Annes-on-Sea, FY8 2AE

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Bertie Pearce

Bertie Pearce a BA (Hons) in Drama from Manchester University, and a Diploma Internationale from the École Internationale du Théâtre, Jacques Lecoq and is a member of the Inner Magic Circle with Gold Star. Past experience includes lecturing to cruise ship audiences, the Women's Institute, theatre clubs and the Sussex Magic Circle, as well as NADFAS. In addition, Bertie has toured the world with a magic cabaret show and a one man show entitled 'All Aboard'. He has written on entertainment for The Guardian.





Mr Punch – the most famous puppet character of all time. His comic irreverence gave "Punch" magazine its title. His anarchic vitality has inspired opera, ballet and punk rock and his enduring popularity has seen his likeness on goods ranging from Victorian silverware to computer video games.

Appearing in England in 1662, Punch is descended from the Italian Clown Pulcinella of the 15th century Commedia dell'Arte tradition. Even today, this 'Lord of Misrule' uses his slapstick to dispense with oppressive authority, be it politicians, Political Correctness or the devil, while proclaiming his notorious refrain:

"That's the way to do it!"





Future Events

GLASGOW TOUR Wednesday 24th - 26th June 2015

A short break to Glasgow with a varied programme of interesting cultural visits, including Art Galleries, Museums, the Burrell Collection and en route, Dumfries House.

Wednesday 1st July 2015

THE PUNCH AND JUDY SHOW: a subversive symbol from Commedia del' Arte to the present day. Lecturer: Bertie Pearce; a most welcome return visit. *Followed by our Volunteer's Afternoon Tea-Party*

Lytham Arts Festival, 4-11th July:

Fylde DFAS is contributing to the Lytham Arts Festival in July with a Draw for 10 Free places to our July Lecture.

Wednesday 15th July 2015

Day visit to include the Hepworth Gallery, Wakefield and Temple Newson, Leeds. *A few places are still available.*

Wednesday, 16th September 2015

NADFAS at NIGHT: A Vienna Evening:

Lecture by our President, Hugh Ellwood, A social event linked to our Society visit to Vienna in the autumn, followed by a Viennese Supper. All are most welcome to this event at the start of our new season. St Annes Old Links Golf Club. FY8 2DL

Tickets £18, including a glass of wine, now available.

Wednesday, 7th October 2015

LOVE, ART AND TRAGEDY - Close encounters in a Cornish Colony. Lecturer: Catherine Wallace