

525 Foundation Lecture Series

Loughborough Schools Foundation are holding a series of public lectures to celebrate the 525th anniversary of Loughborough Grammar School.



› The Future of the Motor Car

Professor Rachel Thomson

Professor Rachel Thomson, BA, MA, PhD, FIMMM, FEng, is Pro Vice Chancellor for Teaching and Professor of Materials Engineering at Loughborough University. Her lecture will look at how technology will impact future cars, and will explore the potential and drawbacks of both electric and autonomous vehicles.

Attendees: All welcome

Date: Tuesday 4 February 2020

Time: 18:00

Tickets: To book tickets, please visit www.lsf.org/525

› After the Break: United Kingdom law, EU law and Brexit.

James Flynn, QC (Class of 1974)

James Flynn, QC, left Loughborough Grammar School in 1974 to study Law at Oxford University. He is a leading competition law barrister, becoming a QC in 2003. He will be speaking on how Brexit will have a fundamental effect on British law for decades to come.

Attendees: All welcome

Date: Thursday 27 February 2020

Time: 18:00

Tickets: To book tickets, please visit www.lsf.org/525



› How to be a writer: the long and winding road to creativity.

Giles Kristian (Class of 1994)

Giles Kristian left LGS in 1994 and had virtually immediate top 20 chart success in the boy-band Upside Down. Having worked in advertising, Giles published his first novel in 2011 and has won great acclaim for his action adventure novels in the historical fiction genre. His novel, God of Vengeance was a Times Book of the Year, and his most recent novel, Lancelot, was published in 2018. His talk will be in an interview format, led by Peter Sergeant, a former Grammar School teacher.

Attendees: All welcome

Date: Tuesday 24 March 2020

Time: 18:00

Tickets: To book tickets, please visit www.lsf.org/525



› “Why do the Italians eat so well?” – A History of Italian Cooking

Professor John Dickie (Class of 1981)

Professor John Dickie left the Grammar School in 1981 to read Modern Languages at Pembroke College, Oxford. Since 1993 he has taught at University College London, where he is now Professor of Italian Studies. He has published widely in academic journals on various topics in Italian history and has also written extensively for the press at home and abroad. His lecture is based on a series he wrote for Italian television which has subsequently been shown throughout Europe.

Attendees: All welcome

Date: Tuesday 5 May 2020

Time: 18:00

Tickets: To book tickets, please visit www.lsf.org/525

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› **Nelson Mandela on Robben Island
- Do political prisoners have human rights? If so, who should protect them now?**

Professor Andrew Thompson (Class of 1986)

Professor Andrew Thompson (Class of 1986) studied Modern History at Oxford before embarking on research into the British Empire. Having taught at the Universities of Leeds and Exeter, Professor Thompson was until 2019 Executive Chair of the Arts and Humanities Research Council. Since September 2019, he has been Professor of Global Imperial History at Oxford University. His lecture will look at the difficult area of human rights in countries which are less democratic than our own, with particular reference to Nelson Mandela.

Attendees: All welcome

Date: Tuesday 22 September 2020

Time: 18:00

Tickets: To book tickets, please visit www.lsf.org/525

› **What is a Healthy Community in the 21st Century?**

Rt Rev Mark Tanner (Class of 1989)

Rt Rev Mark Tanner is the Anglican Bishop of Berwick. Having left LGS in 1989, he read Mathematics at Christ Church, Oxford before studying Theology at Durham prior to ordination. His lecture will consider the meaning of community in our modern age.

Attendees: All welcome

Date: Wednesday 4 November 2020

Time: 18:00

Tickets: To book tickets, please visit www.lsf.org/525



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