



Winchester Russian Circle



Programme of Events, Feb. – Jun. 2018

3rd February
Irina Khakamada

“Russia: Is there a future?”, a talk by a Russian politician and former presidential candidate in the SLT. In Russian with an interpreter. Please note this is organised by the College but the talk will be followed by a supper in Geoff and Dilys’ home.

24th February
Irina Bennett

Ira will give a talk on the Soviet poet, writer, playwright and journalist **Olga Bergholz**. She is most famous for her work on the Leningrad radio during the legendary WWII blockade, when she became the symbol of the city's resolve and determination. Her story is fascinating, whilst laced with personal tragedy and is well worth hearing. Also to be held in the SLT.

20th March
Vladimir Ryzhkov

“The Truth about Russia and the 2018 Presidential Election”, a talk by a well-known Russian liberal politician, professor of Economics, historian and former first deputy chairman of the State Duma. Talk to be delivered in English. Please note this talk is organised through the College and is on a Tuesday evening, NOT a Saturday. It will, therefore, not be followed by a supper. Also to be held in the SLT.

28th April
Oxana Cleminson

Oxana will talk on the **Crimean war**. In the SLT. Please note that this (and the following) event will commence at 7.30pm, NOT 7.00pm.

19th May
Natasha Dissanayake

Natasha will talk about her recent book “Русские судьбы в Лондоне” or if you prefer, “The Fate and Fortunes of Russians in London”, which describes the presence of Russians in London from the XVI Century up until the present day. Although the book itself is in Russian, the talk itself will, of course, be in English. SLT, 7.30pm

9th June
Summer Party

The Summer Party this year will take place in Chandlers Ford. I’ll publish the exact address around the beginning of May.

17th June
*Mikhail Lezdkan (cello),
Angelina Kopyrina (piano),
Alexia Mankovskaya
(soprano)*

Concert in the Music School. Original programme subject to slight alteration due to the change in the line-up. I’ll publish the details as soon as I have them. Please note that this is a **Sunday evening concert**.

Other than the Summer party, most events take place on a Saturday evening, commence at 7.00pm and are followed by an informal supper and drinks, with all attending contributing food and wine/juice, etc. Concerts are normally in the Music School of Winchester College and talks, in the college’s Science Lecture Theatre (SLT).

For directions to venues, up-to-date news and general enquiries, please send an email to winchester@russiacircle.org. We also have a page on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/WinchesterRC>.

Membership of the circle is £20 per year (£35 couples) plus £10 for all concerts. Non-members pay £4 per talk and £15 per concert. Accompanied children under 16 may come free to all the talks and pay £5 for concerts.

For membership, see <http://www.russiacircle.org> or ring Charles O’Flynn on 0845 269 962 5 / 07739 517 571.