

REDISCOVER RUSKIN IN SHEFFIELD

WALKLEY TOTLEY RIVELIN VALLEY STANNINGTON



The Guild of St George invites you to get involved in activities, research, events, walks and talks to rediscover Sheffield's Ruskin heritage as part of **RUSKIN-in-SHEFFIELD** throughout 2015.

John Ruskin established the Guild of St George in 1871 to help make the world a better place to live in. In 1875, the Guild opened St George's Museum in Walkley, and acquired St George's farm in Totley in 1876. This community heritage project will unite the history and legacy of these ventures through activities in Walkley, Totley, Rivelin Valley and Stannington.

HOW TO GET INVOLVED – events and activities

All events are **FREE** to take part in or attend, unless otherwise stated. Volunteers' travel and expenses will be re-imbursed by agreement.

1. RUSKIN in WALKLEY

Ruskin in Walkley

Fri 13 Feb 7pm Ruskin Hall, Walkley Community Centre. No need to book. Find out about St George's Museum, Walkley, 1875-90, Ruskin's museum for Sheffield's metal-workers. Talk by Dr Marcus Waithe.

Ruskin's Reach

Feb-April

Help to research the impact of St George's Museum on the lives of its visitors, including remarkable knife-grinder turned sculptor Benjamin Creswick.

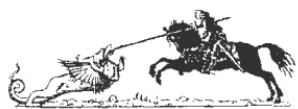
Curator and Curatress: The Swans and St George's Museum

Fri 22 May 7pm, Ruskin Hall, Walkley Community Centre. No need to book. Find out about the roles of Henry and Emily Swan at St George's Museum, based on recently discovered letters written by Ruskin. Talk by Dr Mark Frost.

Pop-Up Community Museum

June to Oct, Walkley. Dates and location to be announced

Help to curate or host a temporary museum for people to exhibit their own art, geological and historical artefacts, inspired by the diverse nature of the Ruskin Collection. Help to upload images of exhibits online as the Museum's collection grows.



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Walkley Festival

20 June - 5 July. Dates and locations to be announced

Events and Displays

Create a Ruskin-related event or display during the Walkley Festival. We can help cover the cost of materials.

St George's Museum and Henry Swan commemorative plaques

Celebrate two newly commissioned plaques to commemorate St George's Museum at Ruskin House, Bole Hill Road; and Henry Swan, curator of the Museum, at his grave in Walkley Cemetery.

Ruskin House archaeological test pit

Join an archaeological dig in the grounds of Ruskin House to discover more about life at St George's Museum.

Ruskin's Reach Trail

Help to create or lead a trail to reveal the homes and lives of visitors to St George's Museum in Walkley.

Cabaret Boom Boom performance

Autumn. Dates, ticket prices and locations to be announced.

A commissioned trail of historical performances and Ruskin-esque installations around Walkley. Suitable for all the family.

2. RUSKIN in TOTLEY

Ruskin in Totley

Weds 20 May 7.30pm, Totley Library. No need to book.

Find out about the Guild's late 19th-Century social reform experiment at St George's Farm. Talk by Dr Mark Frost.

Ruskin in Totley performance

Sat 20 and Sun 21 June. Locations and booking details to be announced

Help to research or take part in a performance about St George's Farm during the Guild of St George's ownership, and related land and social reform movements.

3. RUSKIN in RIVELIN VALLEY

Rivelin Valley Artists' Colony

Spring and Summer. Dates and locations to be announced

Help to uncover paintings from an artists' colony based at Rivelin Corn Mill between the wars. Help to create a trail along the valley to interpret the natural,

industrial and artistic heritage of the colony paintings. Help to set up or take part in an artists'-colony-for-a-day in the Rivelin Valley.

Ruskin Heritage Walk

Summer. Dates and locations to be announced

Help to research and create a walk that connects the natural, industrial and artistic heritage of Walkley, Rivelin Valley and Stannington.

4. RUSKIN in STANNINGTON

Crafting The Land

July, Freeman College Biodynamic Garden, High Riggs, Stannington

Dates and booking details to be announced

Take part in free workshops offering hands-on learning about harvesting, wood-working, hand-forging and Ruskin.

Ruskin, Land and Livelihoods Talk

Date and booking details to be announced

Find out about the relationship between the approaches to sustainable land use at: George's Farm, Totley, in the late 19th-Century; Freeman College (Ruskin Mill Trust); and Ruskin Land, the Guild of St George's woodland in the Wyre Forest.

5. Ruskin at the MILLENNIUM GALLERY

Ruskin Re-Viewed

Sat 31 Oct – Sun 8 Nov, Millennium Gallery

Be one of the visitor hosts at this exhibition of research, creative work and displays created in Walkley, Totley, Rivelin Valley and Stannington.

Ruskin Collection

From 27 June, Ruskin Collection, Millennium Gallery

See new temporary additions to the Ruskin Collection. Research, artefacts and displays from Ruskin-in-Sheffield.

Contact Ruskin-in-Sheffield to volunteer or take part:

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