



## **West Horsley Place, Tuesday 11 September at 10.50 am**

University challenge quizmaster Bamber Gascoigne hit the newspaper headlines when he was left by his aunt the grade one listed West Horsley Place. Dating from the 15<sup>th</sup> century, the mansion has a 300 acre estate and a rich history. It has been untouched for over 100 years. It is gradually being restored as a hub for the visual and creative arts and a 700 seat opera house has been built in the grounds. As we tour the dozens of rooms we will hear about the plans for the house as well as its history which includes 35 course banquets attended by Henry V111.

The 2-hour tour will be guided by the manager who describes the house as "raw and untouched". She advises we wear sensible shoes as some of the floors are uneven. At the end of the visit we will each be given a booklet about West Horsley Place written by Bamber Gascoigne. Our tour will end at approximately 1pm.

A table will be booked at the nearby William IV pub (The Street, West Horsley KT24 6BG) for those who want lunch (a snack or a meal). Cross the box below if you want lunch.

Travel to West Horsley is by own car (if anyone wants a lift contact Rona Roach). West Horsley Place is reached from the A264 Leatherhead to Guildford road. It lies on the right between East and West Horsley; KT24 6AN. About 200 yards from the Duke of Wellington pub, on the right, turn into a farm drive marked R J Smith Construction. Bear sharp left at the first turn and go past an old granary and large barn to get to the main drive. Please park in front of the mansion by 10.50am (**tour starts at 11 am**).

**Organiser: Rona Roach Mobile 07570 807359 or Phone 01372 361836 or [ronaroach@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:ronaroach@yahoo.co.uk)**

Payment by cheque payable to "The Arts Society Leatherhead" is due at the time of booking (not normally refundable). All applications will be acknowledged by email or telephone. Please include a stamped addressed envelope if you require a receipt.

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Please complete and return with full payment at The Arts Society Leatherhead meeting or Mrs Rona Roach, 4 Park Rise, Leatherhead, KT22 7HZ.

I/We enclose a cheque for £..... @ £25 per person Cross here if you want lunch

Name(s): .....

Postcode: ..... mobile number on the day .....

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