

# **ARTS SOCIETY**

Summer Term 2016 Programme

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#### **Gustave Caillebotte: The Forgotten Impressionist**

Fifty years ago, the Wildenstein gallery in London hosted an exhibition of the works of Gustave Caillebotte to raise funds for the Hertford British Hospital in Paris: the show was a revelation.

Caillebotte was a talented artist who painted scenes of modern life including city streets, domestic interiors, family portraits and leisure activities such as boating and gardening, both of which he loved. He was also a very important patron, collector and organiser of exhibitions. Personally wealthy, he had no need to sell his own pictures and he used his fortune to support his Impressionist friends, from paying their rent to buying their paintings. He died young and bequeathed his dazzling collection to the French state even though it was initially refused.

This illustrated talk will cover the range of style and subjects in his intriguing career and also the controversial saga of the Caillebotte Bequest. You will discover why, according to Denys Sutton, "The name of Gustave Caillebotte is inscribed in gold letters in the annals of artistic patronage in France."

### 7.30pm, Thursday 16 June 2016

## Sixth Form Lecture Theatre

followed by wine and light refreshments in The Atrium

Tickets may also be purchased at the door; but advance notice helps catering, please. Princethorpe and Crackley Hall pupils free of charge. We are happy to receive provisional bookings by e-mail, please, to <u>alexdarkes@princethorpe.co.uk</u>

Please supply the following tickets:

#### Gustave Caillebotte - 7.30pm, Thursday 16 June 2016

\_\_\_\_\_ Adult (£5) \_\_\_\_\_Child (free)

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