



## ARTS SOCIETY

Trinity Term 2016 Programme

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Archivist to The Princethorpe Foundation

### Scrolls & Spirals:

#### The Lindisfarne Gospels and Other Early Manuscripts

The Lindisfarne Gospels is one of the world's greatest works of art in book form. Created around the year 700 AD 'for God and St Cuthbert', this volume reveals the variety of artistic traditions which circulated in Northumbria at that time. It features decorated initial letters inspired by Irish manuscript art, a set of evangelist portraits derived from Mediterranean exemplars, and 'carpet pages' with Anglo-Saxon interlace and animal patterns. Its maker, Eadfrith, is also the first known English artist.

Nick Baker will present an introduction to a masterpiece that has come to symbolise the 'Golden Age of Northumbria'. Other early manuscripts will also be considered, such as the Book of Kells and the Hereford Gospels, to show that many talented individuals lived and worked in these islands during the so-called 'Dark Ages'.

**7.30pm, Thursday 12 May 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 [alexdarkes@princethorpe.co.uk](mailto:alexdarkes@princethorpe.co.uk)

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Please supply the following tickets:

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

I enclose £ \_\_\_\_\_ Cheques payable to **Princethorpe College**

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