

PATTERNS OF FASHION FESTIVAL

London
1st–4th December
2023

A
celebration
of Janet
Arnold's
*Patterns
of Fashion*
books
past,
present
and
future


THE HISTORICAL
SCHOOL
OF DRESS



This festival is being held in celebration of Janet Arnold's book series *Patterns of Fashion*, of which The School of Historical Dress is now the publisher. Six books in the series are now available and volumes 1 to 4 are in new enlarged colour editions. The subjects covered during the festival will be related to patterns published in the past, those available in the present and those planned for the future. We will also be launching our new book series *Case Studies*.



1st & 2nd DECEMBER

The first two days of the festival will be held at Conway Hall, 25 Red Lion Square, London, WC1R 4RL, near the British Museum. On Friday evening we will rearrange the chairs into smaller groups so that participants can circulate and watch a number of dressings and demonstrations during the evening.



Our two new *Historical Dress Awards* will be announced during the Festival. The *Cut & Construction Award*, in honour of Janet Arnold and the *Content & Context Award*, in honour of Santina M. Levey will be given for research and reconstruction of garments, textiles, tools and other elements related to original objects, in three categories for professionals, amateur enthusiasts and students.

1st & 2nd DECEMBER

PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

1st December

10am

Registration

10.30am – 1pm

Presentations

1pm – 2pm

Lunch Break

2pm – 5pm

Presentations

6.30pm - 10pm

Dressings & Demonstrations

PRESENTERS & DEMONSTRATORS

1st & 2nd December

include

Adrien Chombart de Lauwe

Luca Costigliolo

Maria Hayward

Emma Marantette

Joanna Marschner

Niki Miles

PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

2nd December

9.30am

Registration

10am–1pm

Presentations

1pm–2pm

Lunch Break

2pm–4pm

Presentations

Bianca du Mortier

Alexandra Palmer

Sébastien Passot

Zack Pinsent

Thessy Schoenholzer Nicols

Philip Sykas

Jenny Tiramani

There will be live dressings and undressings in reconstructed dress for men and women of the 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th and 20th centuries. In addition there will be some demonstrations of historical techniques used for the cut and construction of historical garments. Our books, posters and postcards will be on sale throughout the Festival.

Bookings for 1st & 2nd December are now open on our webshop

<https://shop.theschoolofhistoricaldress.org.uk>

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3rd & 4th DECEMBER

The last two days of the festival will be held in The School of Historical Dress, our home at 52 Lambeth Road, London, SE1 7PP, opposite the Imperial War Museum and near the Garden Museum. This historically important building was designed as The Royal South London Dispensary for the Working Poor under the patronage of Queen Victoria in 1842.



On the 3rd and 4th December members of our team will be on site to give guided tours of our teaching/exhibition spaces, our collection stores and our *Collection by Colour: No.3 BROWN* exhibition which will open for Festival participants in advance of the public opening.

We will have displays of items from the Janet Arnold Archive and from our School Collection of textiles, garments, accessories, samplers, paper patterns and sample books.

Bookings for these school visits will be open in October.