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Film Festival submissions are open; upcoming talk on the Sibly brothers; a new seminar series with David Lister; the Swedenborg Review; another successful children's workshop with Sally Kindberg; 'Swedenborg and the Body: anatomy, alcohol and the soul'; Henry Corbin discussion group; Arcana Caelestia reading group...



lecture | Astrological 'Twins': Dr Ebenezer Sibly and the Revd Manoah Sibly

21 June 2019 | 7-9pm | FREE | Swedenborg House, 21 Bloomsbury Way,





WC1A 2TH | Refreshments served | Talk and Q&A

Book your free ticket by emailing avery@swedenborg.org.uk!

This upcoming lecture is based on Professor Sommers' recently published research on **Ebenezer Sibly** (1751-99) and his brother **Manoah** (1757-1850). Both men make frequent appearances in recent histories of **eighteenth-century medicine**, **astrology**, **magic**, **Freemasonry**, **alleged Jacobinism** and **Swedenborgianism**.

This lecture will focus on the period in the 1780s and 1790s when Ebenezer and Manoah worked together to produce a number of important astrological publications, including *A New and Complete Illustration of the Celestial Science of Astrology*, one of the most celebrated and controversial astrological compendiums of the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries.

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Family on the Esoteric Fringes of
Georgian England, has just been
published by Oxford University Press.



Alcaeus Spyrou, *Anina*Andrew Kötting, *Their Rancid Words Stagnate Our Ponds*Oona Grimes, *u. e u.*

Swedenborg Film Festival 2019 I submissions closing soon!

Submit your film here

Submissions are closing soon for the Swedenborg Film Festival 2019! Get your submission in by June 30th for consideration. Featuring new films of 20 minutes or less and co-curated by Nora Foster (Frieze) and Gareth Evans (Whitechapel Gallery), the Swedenborg Film Festival invites entries from the latest emerging and established talent of experimental and artistic film, exploring the theme of 'Use and Purpose'. Selected films will be screened in November at Swedenborg Hall, 'one of London's most atmospheric venues' (The Guardian) and the winner will be chosen by a guest judge (TBA).

For more information and to submit your film, click <u>here!</u>

seminar series | Cartography of the Brain with David Lister

18 July, 1 August, 15 August, 29 August & 12 September | 12-2PM | Swedenborg House, 20/21 Bloomsbury Way, London, WC1A 2TH

We are delighted to have Dr David Lister return to give another seminar series at Swedenborg House following the success of his 2017 lecture series 'Anatomy of Heaven'. More details will be forthcoming but put the dates in your diary as these seminars are not to be missed!

To book your place for these free seminars, just email avery@swedenborg.org.uk.







new publication I the *Swedenborg Review*

The inaugural issue of the *Swedenborg Review* is coming soon. This full-colour, tabloid-size printed periodical will include articles on topics of interest, film reviews, reports on events at Swedenborg House, news about the building and more. More information coming soon...



symposium | Swedenborg

education I children's workshop with Sally Kindberg

On Saturday June 1, we welcomed over forty children and their parents to Swedenborg House for another children's drawing workshop with Sally Kindberg. Sally ran a workshop using her Swedenborg leporello upstairs in the Wynter Room, and Bill Osment ran the quill pen workshop in the Gardiner Room. A wonderful time was had by all, and we look forward to holding another workshop in the coming months! Here's some feedback from a parent who attended the workshop:

'It was really fab. Everyone was so lovely and bright and helpful. Thank you so much for all the care and effort you put in to the day. The kids really enjoyed it. And I got to have a go so I did too!'



update I Henry Corbin
Discussion
Group: Swedenborg and
Esoteric Islam

and the Body: anatomy, alcohol and the soul 4 May 2019 I Swedenborg Hall

The 'Swedenborg and the Body' symposium at the beginning of May was a great success. All three speakers delivered excellent papers on a variety of subjects, from Vincent Roy-Di Piazza's examination of Swedenborg's writing on soul-body interaction, to David Dunér's discussion of Swedenborg's travels to Italy, to John Lidwell-Durnin's focus on nineteenth-century American temperance movements and how they interacted with Swedenborgian movements. We thank the speakers and everyone who attended for making it such an edifying afternoon!



update | *Arcana Caelestia* reading group

Thursday 27th June 2019 I 6.00 - 8.00 pm I Gardiner Room, Swedenborg House, 20/21 Bloomsbury Way, London WC1A

2.00 - 4.00 pm | Swedenborg House |dates TBC | FREE | Refreshments served| Discussions will be led by Max Phillips

2TH | FREE | Last Thursday of every month

The dates of following meetings are scheduled as planned: 27 June, 26 July 2019.















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