

## LECTURES 2020/21

Unfortunately, due to the Covid 19 pandemic we regret that we have had to cancel our lectures in the Tait Hall this year.

We have booked the following online lecture

**Tuesday 3rd November 2020**

***'Cleopatra - Images of a Dream Woman'***

**Lucy Hughes Hallett**

Cleopatra, the woman for whose love Anthony is imagined to have given up the chance to rule the Roman world, has been inspiring painters, poets and (more recently) film makers, for over two millennia. Their gorgeously voluptuous depictions of her offer insights into changing concepts of beauty and into the racial and sexual assumptions underlying them. Uses images ranging from Roman portrait busts, through Medieval illuminations, the works of Renaissance masters and the exoticism of Gustave Moreau to the 20th century film stars to show how Cleopatra became a screen onto which artists have projected their wildly differing fantasies about exotic danger and erotic bliss.



The lecture will be available to watch at 11.45am on Tuesday 3rd November. Details on how to watch the talk will be posted nearer the time.

EDFAS Online Lectures - we are extremely grateful to Edinburgh DFAS who are allowing us to download their full programme of online lectures. A list of these of these can be downloaded here and details of how to access these will be circulated to members in due course.

Our lecture programme will be reviewed in the new year, depending upon the success of the online talks.