

Rediscovering Rycote: A symposium on the history of Rycote Park

31 October 2012

Chair: Dr Sarah Thomas, Bodley's Librarian

- 09:30-10:00** Registration and welcome
- 10:00-11:00** **Keynote Speaker:** Professor Maurice Howard, University of Sussex, President of the Society of Antiquaries of London
The early Tudor country house: patronage, documentation and archaeology
- 11:00-11:30** Tea and coffee
- 11:30-12:00** Matthew Neely, Rycote Project Archivist, Bodleian Libraries
Rycote remains: The archival legacy of the Tudor mansion
- 12:00-12:45** Dr John Goodall, *Country Life* Architectural features editor
The Tudor mansion at Rycote
- 12:45-14:00** Lunch
- 14:00-14:45** Dr Felicity Heal, Jesus College, Oxford
The founder of the house: John Williams, Baron Williams of Thame
- 14:45-15:30** Dr Robin Eagles, History of Parliament
"A man subject to vapours": James Bertie, 1st Earl of Abingdon – unlikely royal enforcer
- 15:30-16:00** Tea and coffee
- 16:00-16:45** Dr Derek McCulloch, Music historian and 'Proprietor' of *Café Mozart*
Music in the life of Willoughby Bertie, 4th Earl of Abingdon
Illustrated by members of *Café Mozart*: Rogers Covey-Crump, *tenor*; Jenny Thomas & Eva Caballero, *flutes*; Ian Gammie, *bass viol / guitar*

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