

## DR WILLIAMS'S LIBRARY

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# LIBRARY E-BULLETIN

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### Service update

The project to install a new lift, entrance, strong rooms and office space is nearing completion. To allow for continuing work on re-housing the collections, the Library will be open the following days in March and April:

Tuesday 2 March	10.00-18.30
Wednesday 3 March	10.00-18.30
Tuesday 9 March	10.00-18.30
Wednesday 10 March	10.00-18.30
Tuesday 16 March	10.00-18.30
Wednesday 17 March	10.00-18.30
Tuesday 23 March	10.00-18.30
Wednesday 24 March	10.00-18.30
Tuesday 30 March	10.00-18.30
Wednesday 31 March	10.00-18.30
Wednesday 7 April	10.00-17.00
Thursday 8 April	10.00-18.30
Tuesday 13 April	10.00-18.30
Wednesday 14 April	10.00-17.00
Thursday 15 April	10.00-18.30
Tuesday 20 April	10.00-18.30
Wednesday 21 April	10.00-17.00
Thursday 22 April	10.00-18.30
Tuesday 27 April	10.00-18.30
Wednesday 28 April	10.00-17.00
Thursday 29 April	10.00-18.30

Visits on closed days can be arranged by prior arrangement, subject to staff availability; contact the Library to make an appointment. A decision on whether to extend the Library opening hours will be made on 28 April. Updates will be posted on the Library's website and circulated via the e-bulletin.

Access to manuscripts and certain printed material will continue to be restricted until the collections displaced by the building works have been re-housed and the new strong rooms are commissioned. Manuscripts will only be produced with the express authorisation of the Director, Dr David Wykes ([director@dwlib.co.uk](mailto:director@dwlib.co.uk)), to whom all requests should be made.

Members can continue to borrow up to twelve post-1875 books, journals and/or pamphlets in good condition. Renewals up to six times can be arranged in person on open days and by telephone, letter and email ([enquiries@dwlib.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@dwlib.co.uk)).

### **Centre for Dissenting Studies conference**

This year's one-day conference will be held on Saturday 8 May. Vic Nierop-Reading, Ian Serjeant, Clyde Binfield and Christopher Wakeling will speak on the theme of nonconformist architecture. The [Centre for Dissenting Studies website](#) gives further information on the event.

### **New accessions**

You can now [download a list of the printed material the Library has recently catalogued](#) [PDF 41KB]. If there is a specific item on the list you would like to see please [contact the Library](#) to check its availability.

### **Online handlists of manuscripts**

Due to a National Register of Archives digitisation initiative, major handlists from Dr Williams's Library and the Congregational Library are now available to view online.

From New College, London, Dr Williams's Library has the correspondence of Philip Doddridge and much material relating to that institution and its predecessors. A scanned listing of this collection can now be viewed on the [National Register of Archives website](#). The main body of manuscripts collected by the Congregational Library are listed [here](#).

### **Dr Williams's Library at the Science Museum**

The Library Reading Room is the backdrop to a new short feature film starring Oscar-winning Ben Kingsley. *1001 Inventions and the Library of Secrets* accompanies an exhibition currently at the [Science Museum](#) in London. The film can be viewed [online](#) via the *1001 Inventions* website.

### **Library book bags**

One of the new [Dr Williams's Library bags](#) has already found its way onto a seismic research boat in the Southern Ocean. Photographic evidence is available on request! These cotton shoppers are just £2.50 each. Please [contact the Library](#) to make an order.

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