Dear Life Members,

The excitement in College at the beginning of a new academic year ‘in person’ has been heavily tempered by the sad news that our Founding Fellow, Professor Richard Eden has died at the age of 99. We flew our flag at half-mast and are mourning the loss of such a distinguished member of Clare Hall to whom we owe so much.

Mark Cazalet’s brilliantly vivid paintings were hung in College as I wrote to welcome our new students to the first of two Matriculation Dinners, along with our new Research and Visiting Fellows. The three constituencies met on Friday night over cheese straws and bubbling drinks.

With best wishes,

Professor Alan Short
President of Clare Hall

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The latest news

**Professor Richard Eden OBE**

Clare Hall is deeply saddened by the passing of Professor Richard Eden OBE. Professor Eden was a crucial part in the creation of Clare Hall back in 1966, for which we are all so grateful. He would later become a Vice-President of the College and affectionately pen Clare Hall’s anniversary literature on its history. To read more about his important role in Cambridge, click the button below.

**Mapping the mind**

Fellow of Clare Hall, Dr Madeline Lancaster has been profiled by the University’s ‘This Cambridge Life’ series. Dr Lancaster reveals details on her research with mini brain tissues, and using stem cells to generate brain organoids that allow modelling of human brain development in vitro.
Dignity and brain health

Life Member, Dr Tara White, has published ‘Dignity Neuroscience: Universal rights are rooted in human brain science’ in the Annals of the New York Academy of Sciences, the first draft of which was written from the Ashby Library during her Visiting Fellowship. The paper explores how universal rights have robust expression in the human brain, noting that ‘agency, autonomy, self-determination, freedom from want, and freedom from fear are essential for human brain health.’

Fighting ‘fake news’

Inbound MPhil student, Teo Kai Xiang, has been selected as a Chevening and Cambridge Trust Scholar, and will study the Sociology of Media and Culture. Kai Xiang is a Communications Officer at the International Centre for Counter-Terrorism in The Hague, where he leads the organisation’s digital strategy and public engagement. To read more about Kai Xiang’s background in fighting ‘fake news’, click on the button below.

Reach out

Your mailing Review preferences

We understand that the climate crisis is at our door, and transport and delivery can make a significant impact on our carbon footprint. Last month we gave recipients the opportunity to opt-out of a hard-copy issue of our annual Review publication later this October, and receive a digital version instead.

A reminder that if you would like a physical copy delivered to you, click on the button below which will take you to our website to confirm. So we may process your preferences before final circulation, please do so by no later than Wednesday 13 October. Those members who do not do this will receive a digital version of the Review 2021.

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Dates for your diary
Plan your visit

‘To Ithaka’ art exhibition
Until 18 November

The Clare Hall Art Committee is delighted to present ‘To Ithaka’, an exhibition of work by artist Mark Cazalet. The College’s first exhibition of the academic year spotlights Cazalet, a notable figure at the Royal Drawing School and a significant presence within the contemporary arts scene. His chosen media are traditional, but his awareness of the texture and feel of everyday life is intensely modern. A full colour catalogue is available.

Visit the exhibition from 10am-5pm daily.

Read more

Tune in to this documentary
Monday 11 October, 9pm on BBC One

Professor Barbara Sahakian, a Fellow of Clare Hall, and Dr Christelle Langley, an Affiliated Postdoc, will appear in BBC One’s documentary, Paul Merson: Football, Gambling and Me. The documentary explores the science behind disordered gambling, featuring a recently reformed gambling addict, former Arsenal and England player Paul Merson.

Tune in tonight at 9pm on BBC One, or catch up on BBC iPlayer.

Book your place here

St Cross College, Oxford Gospel concert
Friday 15 October, 7pm

Our sister college, St Cross, Oxford, kindly invites Clare Hall Life Members to attend their one-hour livestreamed concert with acclaimed gospel trio Resounding Harmonies. The programme will span gospel songs from the earliest well-known classics through songs embodied in the Civil Rights Era right up to the present day with contemporary gospel.

Bookings close at 6pm on Thursday 14 October.

Read more

The Tanner Lecture on AI & Human Values
Monday 18 October, 5-8pm

This year’s Tanner Lecture is presented by the Leverhulme Centre for the Future of Intelligence, with speaker Ruha Benjamin, Professor of African American Studies at Princeton University. The lecture ‘Black Mirror: Race, AI & Inequity in the 21st Century’ will explore how technology has the potential to hide, speed and deepen discrimination and provide conceptual tools to decode tech promises with historical and sociological insight.

Zoom bookings close at 9am, Friday 15 October.
**Beethoven and Medtner concert with Patrick Hemmerlé**

**Saturday 23 October, 7.30pm**

Clare Hall's Musician-in-Residence, Patrick Hemmerlé, plays a selection of the most important works by Beethoven and Medtner, including Beethoven's *Tempest Sonata* (one of the crowning achievements of his middle years) and Medtner opus 25 number 2, the *Night Wind*.

**View the programme and book your tickets**

**Fantastic Beasts and Forbidden Forests concert**

**Saturday 30 October, 7.30pm**

Join mezzo-soprano Joanna Harries and pianist Patrick Hemmerlé, for a bewitching evening of music inspired by animals and the wilderness, live from Clare Hall's Dining Room. Tickets are free and currently only available for in-person attendance, we encourage you to book your places swiftly!

**Reserve your place**

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**Ongoing opportunities & information**

**Visiting College**

Are you a local or planning to visit Clare Hall when making a trip to Cambridge? You can familiarise yourself with what is currently open and the Covid precautions encouraged for those on-site by reading our Domestic Bursar's latest round robin for students, staff and Fellows.

**Read the latest here**

**Formal Halls**

Formal Halls are back every Wednesday at Clare Hall. In line with Covid restrictions, a limited number of places are available. Please be aware that if uptake is for less than 15 guests, the Hall may be cancelled. For those who struggle with the Upay system, you can email formals@clarehall.cam.ac.uk to book your spot.

**How to book**
Our swimming pool has reopened and is available to Life Members. The College is trialling a new booking and cleaning system and users are encouraged to pay careful attention to the new protocols on the website.

Swimming pool

Further details

Our wonderful donors supporting Clare Hall from overseas bank accounts: please note that our IBAN has changed from GB95 BARC 2017 6830 2223 56 to GB20 BARC 2017 6830 2223 56. Any gifts sent to GB95 will return to your account, but your bank may not inform you if it did not reach us. You can compare your records with our full details by visiting our ‘Support us’ page.

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September's Life Member e-newsletter was regrettably delayed due to an error with our mailing platform. We appreciate your patience and hope you enjoy this extra large offering. We look forward to sending you our October newsletter on schedule in the final week of the month.

Share your news

Do you have a story, project or other news to share with the Clare Hall community? Email Katherine Selby, the College's Communications & Marketing Manager, on communications.manager@clarehall.cam.ac.uk

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