



SPECIAL INTEREST DAY

Thurs 19th November 2026

10.30am - 1pm at Sidmouth Rugby Football Club

World Class Art at the Tate

A two-lecture special interest day

By Ian Swankie

Lecture 1

We begin with Tate Britain and an introduction to the founding of the collection and the architecture of the building, followed by an exploration the works. Tate Britain houses art by British artists, and artists who have worked in Britain. It covers the period from the 1500s to the present day. We will see early portraits painted on wood panels, landscapes, Victorian moralistic works through to 20th century abstracts, installations, and conceptual art.

Lecture 2

Along the river is the cathedral of international twentieth and twenty first century modern art, Tate Modern which originally opened in 2000 after the conversion of the disused Bankside power station. We will see how the massive redundant industrial building was transformed with sleek new architecture and its engagement with the local environment. In June 2016 Tate Modern opened its doors to the stunning new Blavatnik Building immediately setting the new gold standard for museum design. Ian will take us through the highlights of the sometimes challenging, always thought-provoking collection.

The cost of the day, including coffee and biscuits at the break will be £25 per person.

Payment can be made by BACS (preferred method) to:

The Arts Society Sidmouth; Sort Code: 405240; Acc. No. 00060214

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Alternatively, complete the slip below and send with your cheque to:

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Please reserve places at £25 each for the Special Interest Morning on Thursday 19th November 2026. I enclose my cheque payable to The Arts Society Sidmouth.

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