

# MAGIC LANTERN SOCIETY NOTICE BOARD

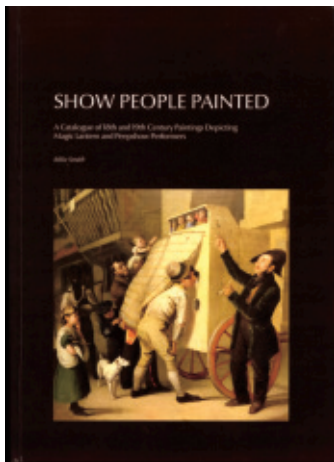
## A YOUNG LANTERNIST

The future looks bright! This is Harry Marriott, aged 11, the grandson of members **Rene and Allan Marriott**. Rene writes: "Harry dressed up as a magic lanternist for his school's Victorian Day! They had been learning about Victorian England in History at his school in Sussex. On the evening before their Victorian Day, Harry came home from school and asked his grandad Allan if he could go dressed as a lanternist (he takes part in shows with us and is very interested in the magic lantern). He has his own slides, so sorted them out with a suitable magic lantern, dressed up in 'grandad' finery – and this was the result. He told the class and teacher all about the magic lantern and it was very well received."



## SHOW PEOPLE PORTRAYED – REQUEST FOR HELP

Mike Smith writes: "After the success of *Show People Sculpted* and *Show People Painted* I have now started work on the final book in this series. This will be *Show People Portrayed*



Mike's last book – Show People Painted (see TML 18)

– a catalogue of 18th and 19th-century decorative items depicting magic lantern and peepshow performers. It will be similar to the previous two books but will concentrate on decorative pieces such as tapestries, fans, porcelain pieces, clocks, tiles and so on – there is not a definitive list. The images of magic lanterns, slides and peepshows within slides in the new series (see page 3) would qualify, for example. Can I ask that if you have something in your collection that you think meets these criteria that you let me know if you would like it to be included in this book. If you are unsure as to the suitability of a particular item, please do ask. Please send a digital image of publishing quality, with all relevant information (artist, date, medium, etc.) to Mike Smith at [kime1944@gmail.com](mailto:kime1944@gmail.com).

## SAVE THE DATE ...

An important date for your 2021 diary. The next Magic Lantern Society International Convention has now been fixed for **16-18 April 2021** (Friday to Sunday), in Birmingham, England. More details will, of course, become available over the coming year, but perhaps you'd like to save those dates now for a spectacular and totally unmissable event.

## BRUSSELS EVENT

**Nele Wynants** corrects us – there were in fact around 140 attendees at the Brussels event, not the 100 we reported (*TML* 19). A truly memorable few days!

## BREKER AUCTION

You might just receive your *TML* in time for the Breker Specialty Auction of Photographica and Film on 21 September. This includes magic lanterns, stereo cameras and viewers, optical illusions and much more. Look it up on [www.breker.com](http://www.breker.com).

## BRISTOL EVENT

It was a full house at the Bristol meeting held in honour of the Elsburys on Saturday 7 September. What a thoroughly enjoyable magic lantern pot pourri it was – more in the next *TML*. Well done **Keith and Jennifer Uttridge!** A big vote for a 2020 repeat...



## DIARY DATES

Please take these dates as a guide only and confirm before travelling.

### 2019

- 21 September  
Breker Specialty Auction 'Photographica & Film'  
Cologne, Germany
- 19 October  
Autumn meeting of the Magic Lantern Society  
Birmingham and Midland Institute, Birmingham
- 17 November  
Closing date for Awards entries (*see page 10*)

### 2020

- 25 January  
Annual General Meeting of the Magic Lantern Society, Musical Museum, Brentford, London

### 2021

- 16-18 April  
Magic Lantern Society International Convention  
Birmingham and Midland Institute, Birmingham

## NEW MEMBERS

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|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <b>George Hulseman</b>         | Franklin, North Carolina, USA |
| <b>Wendy Gronbeck</b>          | Douglas, Michigan, USA        |
| <b>Philippa ('Pip') Gallop</b> | West Bergholt, Essex, UK      |
| <b>Ziad Morsy</b>              | Southampton, UK               |

### FACEBOOK AND TWITTER

Don't forget that The Magic Lantern Society is on Facebook ([@TheMagicLanternSociety](https://www.facebook.com/TheMagicLanternSociety)) and on Twitter ([@MagicLanternSoc](https://twitter.com/MagicLanternSoc)). You can comment and share your 'finds', alert other members to great events, interesting places to visit, what's worth reading, etc. We have many followers, now well over 600 on

Facebook and nearly 800 on Twitter, but we know not all our members are among them – both **Anastasia Kerameos** (Twitter) and **Juliette Harcourt** (Facebook) do a great job for us keeping the sites lively and interesting so do support them.