

# Celebrating the Magna Charta – April 9, 2016 - DC

The 2016 Reception and Dinner of the National Society Magna Charta Dames and Barons will be held, Saturday, April 9, 2016 at the University Club, 1135-16<sup>th</sup> Street, N.W., Washington, D.C.

## The Rule of Law in the Digital Age: Magna Carta & Protecting Freedoms in a Connected World”

We are pleased to announce that our speaker for this year’s dinner will be Dr. Emm Barnes Johnstone, a public historian who last year led the Magna Carta project at Royal Holloway University of London in Runnymede, just two miles from the meadow where the Charter was sealed. Dr. Johnstone’s role oversaw a festival at the University on the anniversary weekend, the creation of an app that guided visitors through the historical and natural sights in and about Runnymede field, and a suite of legacy projects including the establishment of a doctoral center for Magna Carta and it’s legacy at the college.

As a public historian, Dr. Johnstone specializes in sharing and developing insights into our past with diverse audiences through objects and images. Her fields of interest include medical history, in particular the history of care for the chronically ill, and the history of the rule of law from 1215 to the present day. She is also the co-author of two books; The Art of Medicine, University of Chicago Press 2011, and The Changing Faces of Childhood Cancer, Palgrave MacMillan, 2014. She also led the development of a massive open online course about the Magna Carta that launched in 2015 and enrolled over 70,000 students.

Currently Dr. Johnstone is the Executive Officer at Queen Mary University of London. Previously she was Senior Executive Manager and Science Outreach Officer at Royal Holloway, University of London. She received her BA Honors and PhD. in Natural Sciences from University of Cambridge. Her PhD. was in Victorian Theories of Mind. She also studied at the University of Pittsburgh.

Her husband, Professor Adrian Johnstone, will also be joining us for the dinner. Professor Johnstone is in the Department of Computer Science at Royal Holloway University of London, Centre for Software Language Engineering. He led the bid for £1m from the Leverhulme Doctoral Training Studentships scheme to create the Magna Carta Doctoral Centre, supporting interdisciplinary PhD. research on the theme of Freedom and the Rights of the Individual in the Digital Age.

The Reception will begin at 5:30PM and the Dinner will begin at 7:00PM. The cost of the reception and dinner will be \$125.00 and the cost for the reception without the dinner is \$50.00, each with a cash bar. Reservations are required and limited. Black Tie is optional. Amounts contributed in excess of the cost of the dinner are deductible as charitable contributions. An additional charge of \$10.00 per person is required for payment at the door.

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