

MAGIC LANTERN SOCIETY NOTICE BOARD



Society members **Henk Boelmans** **Kranenburg** and **Monique Wezenberg** are arranging a very special meeting of the Magic Lantern Society in The Netherlands (above). Full details will be available soon but clear your diaries now for what will be an unmissable weekend on 15 and 16 June 2024.

This is a slide showing the Avon Gorge with turrets on either side of the river that will eventually support the famous Clifton Suspension Bridge – the bridge stood in its uncompleted state (as shown in the slide) between 1843 and 1862, probably when the slide was painted. One of the turrets shown was also the venue for one of Mervyn Heard's last magic lantern shows. The bridge is in the same city as a very enjoyable event held in September. Find out all about it on p. 14.



A CINEMA TREAT

Linda Gibbs recommends Kenneth Branagh's new film *A Haunting in Venice*. This features a 'retired' Hercule Poirot (played by Branagh) but more importantly a Halloween magic lantern show and even the odd praxinoscope. Apparently the rest of the film is enjoyable too!

DAVID COZENS

We have received the sad news that long-time MLS member David Cozens has passed away. Many members will remember David and his wife Mary attending MLS meetings in the past.



NOAKES LANTERN

The Noakes 'quad' lantern, featured in *TML 30*, was sold in October by SAS Auctions in Newbury. The hammer price of £30k included a huge number of slides, some especially designed to be projected by this lantern.



Carolyn Brooker spotted this use of a lantern at a car boot fair in Kent!

DIARY DATES

Please take these dates as a **guide only**

2024

20 January

AGM of the Magic Lantern Society
 The Musical Museum, Brentford, London

13 April

Spring Meeting of the Magic Lantern Society
 Birmingham and Midland Institute, Birmingham

15 and 16 June

Special MLS meeting in the Netherlands
 Magic Lantern Museum, Scheveningen

27 July

Summer Meeting of the Magic Lantern Society
 West Blatchington Windmill, Hove, Sussex

19 October

Autumn Meeting of the Magic Lantern Society
 Swedenborg House, London

14 December

Christmas Special Meeting online (via Zoom)

NEW MEMBERS

Dong An	Nanjing, China
Caroline Derry	London, UK
Sarah Kirk	Wareham, UK
Karen McAulay	Glasgow, UK
Catherine Surowiec	London, UK
Camille Theisinger	Mainz, Germany
Ines Vazquez	San Sebastián, Spain
Tonnvane Wiswell and Kate Brown	London, UK