

The Sunflower in Art and Culture

Date: Tuesday 21 July 2020 at 7pm (CET)

Lecturer: Twigs Way

Location: We cannot meet to show lectures in the normal way at present, so this is a live online lecture on Zoom. Registration is necessary - see below.

No special equipment or download is needed - just your computer or iPad.



LECTURE SUMMARY

A fascinating talk exploring the many depictions, myths and cultural roles of that most glorious of plants, the sunflower.

The Sunflower. Gustav Klimt 1906-1907

Tracing its origins from South America, its association with the god Apollo, to its role in art as personification of kings starring in depictions by artists from van Dyck to van Gogh. Worshipped by the aesthetes and arts and crafts movements it found favour in the gardens of the Impressionists, and led a touch of magic to the humbler cottage garden.

From Clytie to Klimt this is the extraordinary tale of an extraordinary plant.

BIOGRAPHY OF LECTURER

Twigs Way is a successful writer, researcher and speaker, who is fascinated by the social and cultural aspects of garden history including landscapes in art and literature. She combines this with a specialist consultancy in management of historic landscapes.

Note: In order to register to receive the link to get into this live online lecture, please contact hamburg@theartsociety.org.

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