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2009

HAPPY
 NEW
 YEAR

Film Club with John Wischmeyer

Ikiru (Living)
Akira Kurosawa (1952
Japan)
29 January 14.00

Akira Kurosawa is best known for his seven samurai epics but this is the story of a civil servant who searches for meaning in the final days of his empty life – and we discover that “Kurosawa was cinema’s greatest humanist.” (1001 Movies You Must See Before You Die).



Tickets
 Members £3.50
 Day members £6.00

On production of a USA membership card, USA members will receive a £1.00 discount on day member tickets for the films shown in January and February.

Events in January

Art in London
Babylon: Myth and Reality (British Museum)
8 January 11.00



Come and explore a two thousand year old myth. Irving Finkel, curator of the Babylon Exhibition, will lead January’s Art in London Talk. He will look at the historical evidence for one of the great cities

of antiquity at the moment of its climax and eclipse. Tickets: £8.50

Craft Group continues on Wednesday 21 January between 13.30 and 15.30. Bring along your current project, or put together your crafty christmas presents.

Some materials will be available but feel free to bring any others you would like to use.

Spanish Conversation Group continues on Thursday 15 January at 11.00. The group in the

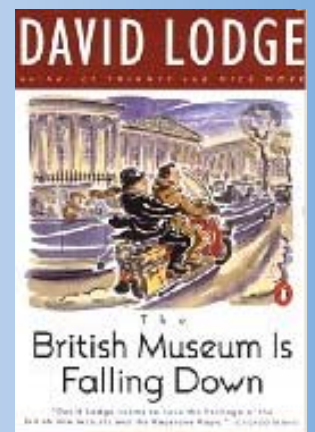
process of organising a tutor and are hoping to increase their meetings to fortnightly.

Small Business Group
 The topic for the meeting on 8 January is ‘Brand Management’. Lou Ellerton, Club Member and new Club Trustee is a branding specialist who works for a local marketing company so come along and learn how to present your business and separate it from the competition.

No need to book, just come along at 18.30.

Book Club

The Book Club will meet on Thursday 15 January. The title of the book to be discussed is The British Museum is Falling Down by David Lodge.



London Events in January 2009

New Year's Parade, 1 January, 12.00–15.00, starting from Parliament Square.



Thousands of performers from all around the world will be taking part in London's spectacular annual New Year's Day Parade. Marching bands and dance troupes from the United States, and Continental Europe will join a host of home grown talent bringing extraordinary entertainment across London.
<http://www.londonparade.co.uk/event/>

Twelfth Night, 4 January, 16.00–17.00, Geffrye Museum E2 8EA.

Join the visitors in waving goodbye to another festive period with some traditional activities for Twelfth Night in the Geffrye Museum garden. Burning of holly and ivy will take place, and carols will be sung. You can also enjoy traditional stories about the Epiphany, and warm yourself up with mulled wine and Twelfth Night cake. Kicking off at 4pm, just as dusk is beginning to fall, this is an atmospheric way to end your Christmas and look forward to the new year.

London Art Fair, 4–18 January, Business Design Centre NI 0QH.

London Art Fair is the biggest showcase of modern British and contemporary art in the UK. This established fair offers a unique opportunity to view and buy some of the best art from

the last 100 years. Serious collectors can expect to find museum-quality pieces worth in excess of £1 million. But if your budget doesn't quite stretch to that, you can also find work by emerging artists for as little as £20. Who knows, it may be a wise investment!
www.londonartfair.co.uk

London International Boat Show, 9–18 January, ExCel London.

The London International Boat Show 2009 promises to be bigger and better than ever. There's fun for all the family and plenty of opportunity to experience the thrills and spills of boating. From power and sail boats to gadgets and fashion, sailing holidays and courses, you'll find everything you need to get out on the water!
www.londonboatshow.com

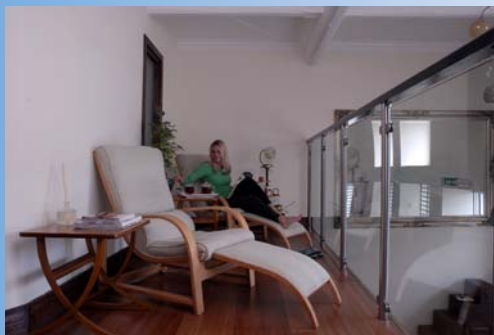
Carmina Burana, 17–18 January, The 02, SE10 0DX.

The original Carmina Burana is a 13th century manuscript containing 228 poems. They tell the story of human life – poverty, power, loss, lust and love. In the 1930s, composer Carl Orff set 24 of these poems to music and his Carmina Burana is now one of the world's most loved compositions. Carmina Burana is performed by the world-renowned Royal Philharmonic Orchestra, with the Brighton Festival Chorus and Youth Choir.
www.theo2.co.uk

Tea Dance at Royal Opera House, 16 January, from 13.00.

Waltz, tango, cha cha cha and quickstep to the strains of the Royal Opera House Dance Band. Tickets £10.00. Tel: 020 7304 4000.

Member Discounts



In addition to the regular discounts for members, we have a special offer at Momiji Tree, a new clinic-spa for organic face and body treatments, massage and complementary therapies.

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Christmas Event

We hope you enjoyed our Christmas Event and that those of you who missed it will come next year. We'd like to extend special



thanks to our surprise visitor (left), Penny from Bluebeancartoons for her card stall and Lucy's Emporium for the chance to buy some jewellery and last minute gifts at really good prices.

Lucy organises jewellery parties – so if you want a fun night with friends, contact Lucy on 07737 906563 or lucys.emporium@yahoo.co.uk