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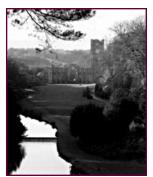
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THE ROLE OF ARCHAEOLOGY IN BRITAIN'S NATIONAL TRUST Scholar MARK NEWMAN Speaks on Behalf of the ROYAL OAK FOUNDATION

The ESU is pleased to join THE ROYAL OAK FOUNDATION and America's NATIONAL TRUST FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION as hosts for a presentation by a pivotal figure from the United Kingdom's NATIONAL TRUST. That organization is rightly famed for the historic stately houses it main-



tains. Less well known is the abundance of beautiful countryside it conserves and oversees. The TRUST's management of natural and cultural resources is guided by a broad range of disciplines and professions, among them the field that has been so worthily exemplified by MARK NEWMAN of the UNIVERSITY OF BIRMINGHAM. Since he joined Britain's NATIONAL TRUST in 1988, Mr. Newman has supervised more than a hundred archaeological projects, among them a major

one at **STUDLEY ROYAL**, the site depicted at left. During a session that will take place in one of the most elegant board rooms in a city that is legendary for such settings, Mr. Newman will talk about what he does to perpetuate landmarks that are among his nation's most noted treasures.



TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19
Program at 7:00 p.m.

NATIONAL TRUST FOR
HISTORIC PRESERVATION
1785 Massachusetts Avenue
Momber Rate \$20
Non-Member Rate \$30

#### A SPECIAL EVENING WITH THE NEW YORKER'S ADAM GOPNIK Please Join us for a Memorable Soirée at the CORCORAN GALLERY OF ART

The witty, engaging observer who delighted us with *Paris to the Moon*, a best-seller about the years that he and his family spent in the City of Light,



has now compiled selections from three centuries of distinguished American writing about the storied French capital. It's called *Americans in Paris: A Literary Anthology*, and volumes will be available for purchase and inscription. Also on a diverse program's agenda will be the playwright about whom ADAM GOPNIK spoke so eloquently during THE SHAKESPEARE GUILD'S 2002 LINCOLN CENTER tribute to *GIELGUD AWARD* recipient Kevin Kline, and about whom he has commented brilliantly in a review

of **Stephen Greenblatt**'s new biography *Will in the World.* As an influential reporter at *The New Yorker* since 1986, Mr. Gopnik has earned two **NATIONAL MAGAZINE AWARDS** and the **GEORGE POLK AWARD FOR MAGAZINE REPORTING.** He'll talk about his fascinating career and his numerous intellectual passions with the **ESU**'s **JOHN F. ANDREWS**.



WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 20
Program at 7:00 p.m.
CORCORAN GALLERY OF ART
500 17th Street NW
Mombor Rate \$15
Non-Mombor Rate \$18



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Since 1920, when it originated in response to a parallel organization that had been established two years earlier in Great Britain, the English-Speaking Union of the United States has sought to foster social and cultural cohesion through the resources and traditions of a language that has become increasingly indispensable as a means of international communication. Through a diverse array of offerings, many of which are shared with audiences around the world through radio and TV, the national capital's ESU endeavors to advance a noble mission.

#### British and American Perspectives on A Key Election in the United States

Please join us Monday, October 14, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. for a panel on the November 2 election. Speakers will include BBC correspondent Matt Frei, Fox News analyst Jane Hall, Financial Times journalist Jurek Martin, and National Journal reporter William Powers. Organized by the British-American Business Association, this forum will take place at the Ronald Reagan Building, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue NW. For tickets at the member rate of \$40, call BABA at (202) 293-0010 or visit www.babawashington.org.

## An Engaging 2004-5 Season

As we enter the heart of our autumn calendar, we invite you to join **THE ENGLISH-SPEAKING UNION** or renew an existing affiliation if you haven't already done so. The **ESU** now girdles the planet, with a prestigious London address at **DARTMOUTH HOUSE**, and those who belong to any of its local, regional, and national associations are nourished by a vibrant global network.

We opened our current season in mid-September with **Princess Michael of Kent**, who introduced an intriguing book about Catherine de' Medici and Diane de Poitiers, two rivals for the love of a Renaissance king, Henri II of France. For this gathering, which took place in the exquisite **MANSION ON O STREET**, we joined the **BRITISH-AMERICAN BUSINESS ASSOCIATION**. A few days later **BABA** and the **BRITISH COUNCIL** helped us with a festive celebration of *Beatlemania*, a forum in which biographers **Martin Goldsmith** and **Larry Kane** chatted with **Robert Aubry Davis** about the 40th anniversary of a British invasion.

Through a diverse assortment of edifying events, and through such initiatives as an annual *Shakespeare Competition* for secondary-school students, a variety of awards to facilitate work in academic and artistic settings, and a tutoring service for those who aspire to better command of a discourse that is not native to them, the ESU's Washington branch is dedicated to extending a precious legacy. To help us preserve this heritage, simply supply the information requested in the Order Form at right and submit it to Executive Director John F. Andrews at 1604 New Hampshire Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20009-2512. You can reach Mr. Andrews by telephone at (202) 234-4602, by fax at (202) 234-4639, or by e-mail at *esunda@msn.com*.

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For October 20, please reserve spaces at the \$15 member rate, spaces at the \$18 non-member rate.
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