

Living Shakespeare 16 - 17 April 2026

‘Muse of Fire: Shakespeare’s Historical Imagination’

This is a timetable of events for which arrangements have been made by the Shakespeare Birthplace Trust. Sessions will last approximately one hour unless indicated otherwise.

ALL SESSIONS WILL TAKE PLACE AT HALL’S CROFT IN OLD TOWN

Thursday 16 April

- 11.00 am Welcome and Introduction with Dr Nick Walton
- 11.10 am ‘Muse of Fire: Shakespeare’s Historical Imagination’ with Dr Nick Walton [*Shakespeare Birthplace Trust*]
- 12.00 pm Lunch - own arrangements
- 2.00 pm ‘Muse of Fire: *Henry V*’ with Rev. Dr Paul Edmondson [*Shakespeare Birthplace Trust*]
- 3.00 pm Refreshment break
- 3.30 - 4.30 pm ‘Shakespeare’s Histories: From Page to Stage’ with Dr Nick Walton
- 7.15 pm Performance of *Henry V* at the Royal Shakespeare Theatre [*ticket optional*]

Friday 17 April

- 10.00 am Post-performance discussion on *Henry V* chaired by Dr Nick Walton
- 11.00 am Refreshment break
- 11.30 am RSC Q&A on *Henry V* chaired by Dr Nick Walton [*subject to actor availability*]
- 12.30 pm Lunch - own arrangements

- 2.00 pm Talk on 'Reconstructing Shakespeare's Theatres' by Peter McCurdy
[Specialist in the repair and construction of in historic timber frame buildings]
- 3.30 pm Visit to Shakespeare's Birthplace and 'Becoming Shakespeare' exhibition
- 4.30 pm End of programme

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