



## The Gilbert and Sullivan Society Centenary Convention

24<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> May 2024 at Grim's Dyke Hotel



We are celebrating our centenary with a magnificent Convention over the Bank Holiday weekend. This is the biggest Convention the Society has had and we are pulling out all the stops including heavily subsidizing the costs, to celebrate our special milestone at the lovely former home of William and Kitty Gilbert.

This is also a chance to taste the excellent food of the Grim's Dyke chefs and enjoying the wonderful gardens.

The Convention is being attended by many of our Vice Presidents and members of the Society from across the world including delegates from our Affiliated Societies and Organisations.

Some residential places have become available as well as some day places. Part attendance is also possible. Contact John Tritton for availability and prices for non-residential attendance on [treasurer@gilbertandsullivanssociety.org.uk](mailto:treasurer@gilbertandsullivanssociety.org.uk)

Convention highlights include:

- ❖ A Friday night black tie centenary celebration dinner.
- ❖ Celebrity concert featuring **Elinor Jane Moran** and **Lawrence Olsworth-Peter**
- ❖ Guided coach tour of the local area through the eyes of the Gilberts to include visits to Gilbert's grave at St. John's, Stanmore, his memorial at Harrow Weald and the Golf Club Gilbert founded. Led by a local historian with tea at the Golf Club.
- ❖ Gilbert and Sullivan recital by our sponsored student from the RNCM
- ❖ Costumed professional performance of *Iolanthe* by **Opera Anywhere**.
- ❖ A scratch come and sing *Trial by Jury* with organised principals.
- ❖ Exhibition from our archive featuring 100 years of the Society.
- ❖ An opportunity to extend your trip to include the Sunday night Grim's Dyke Opera Dinner *Ruddigore* at a discounted price.
- ❖ Further interesting presentations or events run by Laurence Leng, Vincent Daniels and John Balls with Arthur Barratt.

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