

## ‘Tuesday Talks’ – Historic Talks with Karen Davidson

New for 2018, we are introducing Tuesday Talks to the Gardens which will focus on the heritage and history of Spetchley Park and its gardens. Talks will also include the Berkeley Family who have owned the gardens for over four hundred years.

Friends of Spetchley Park Gardens have an opportunity to purchase tickets before they will be advertised to the general public.

Talks will include objects from our archives, some of which have been previously unseen by the public and may include photographs, letters and other artefacts.

All talks cost £3.50 per person and will be held in our Learning Centre from 2.30pm. Free tea and coffee is available on arrival.

Spaces are limited and tickets must be booked in advance at our Welcome Centre – please contact Alex at [enquiries@spetchleygardens.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@spetchleygardens.co.uk) for more information.

Talks will be held by our archivist Karen Davidson who manages the archives at both Spetchley Park Gardens and our sister site, Berkeley Castle, in Gloucestershire.

Please show your Friends card and ticket upon arrival. Parking is available outside the Cart Sheds and in the Stable Yard.

### **Dates and Talks**

- 1<sup>st</sup> May, 2.30pm – WWI and the Berkeley’s
- 5<sup>th</sup> June, 2.30pm – Bearcroft; Nobility and Intrigue.

The story of the unscrupulous Edwards Bearcroft and his kidnapping of Catherine Compton from her sister, Jane Berkeley, whilst visiting Spetchley Park Gardens

- 21<sup>st</sup> August, 2.30pm – Miss Ellen Willmott: her legacy on her 160<sup>th</sup> birthday