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## THE DEEPDENE TRAIL – A SPECIAL INVITATION

**The Deepdene Trail invites you to attend two fascinating, evening talks at Fetcham Park House.**

Introducing the intriguing story of Thomas Hope (1769 – 1831), bringing his personality and vision for design to life; these two talks are set in the magnificent Fetcham Park House, Fetcham and will be preceded by drinks in the Great Hall.

Born into one of the richest banking dynasties in Europe, Thomas Hope used his great wealth to shape the arts in Regency England. He amassed a remarkable art collection and installed it in the extraordinary interior of his London town house in Duchess Street and country estate at Deepdene, Dorking. His interior decoration fostered what became known as the Regency style: a fascinating amalgam of decorative details, ornament and influences from Antiquity and British and Continental European art, architecture and design.

### **Philip Hewat-Jaboor**

**10<sup>th</sup> November 2017 6.30pm      Thomas Hope – His Life and Collection**

Philip Hewat-Jaboor is an independent art consultant advising private and institutional collectors on the purchase or sale of works of art. Philip was the curator of the Thomas Hope Regency Designer exhibition at the Victoria and Albert Museum. He has curated a number of other exhibitions including William Beckford (An eye for the Magnificent) at the Baird Centre New York and the Dulwich Picture Gallery. Philip is also chairman of the highly successful annual Master Piece Fair.

### **Tim Knox**

**1<sup>st</sup> February 2018 6.30pm      Sir John Soane and Thomas Hope: Rival or Disciple?**

Tim Knox is the Director and Curator of the Fitzwilliam Museum in Cambridge. Prior to his appointment in 2013, Mr. Knox served as Director of the Sir John Soane's Museum in London where he had been since 2005. Tim studied History of Art at the Courtauld Institute of Art and

was appointed Assistant Curator at the Royal Institute of British Architects Drawings Collection in 1989. In 1995 Tim moved to the National Trust as its Architectural Historian, becoming Head Curator in 2002.

Talks bookable via Dorking Halls Box Office on 01306 881717 and [www.dorkinghalls.co.uk](http://www.dorkinghalls.co.uk) from 10<sup>th</sup> October 2017

Tickets priced at £12 per person including drinks.

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