

# OXFORD CREATIVE DEMENTIA ARTS CONFERENCE 2016

## TRAVEL AND ACCOMMODATION INFORMATION

### GENERAL

The conference is being held at St Hugh's College, St Margaret's Road, OX2 6LE Oxford

The telephone number for the Porter's Lodge is 01865 274900 and on the day they will have contact numbers for key people involved in the conference. Your first port of call however will be Elizabeth Mills, Conference Administrator on 07970 742062

Registration is in the main college building just past the Porter's Lodge. The keynote sessions, plenary, some workshops and reception on Day 1, and keynotes, some masterclasses and plenary on Day 2 will all take place in Mapplethorpe Building which is a short walk from the main college building. Both buildings are fully accessible.

### TRAVEL

We strongly recommend that delegates use public transport given the very limited availability of college car parking or parking in the surrounding area and the heavy morning and evening traffic in and out of the city. If you do have to drive then use the Park and Ride car parks and bus into Oxford.

#### **Park and Ride buses**

There are 4 Oxford City Park and Ride car parks

#### If you are travelling into Oxford from the **north**

The number 300 bus from Pear Tree Park and Ride runs along the Woodstock Road and number 500 from Water Eaton Park and Ride travels along the Banbury Road. Both stop near St Margaret's Road which runs between these 2 main roads. The journey is 10-15 minutes.

#### If you are travelling to Oxford from the **south**

Use Redbridge Park and Ride. The number 300 bus will take you through the city and along the Woodstock Road. Ask for St Margaret's Road, cross the main road and the college is at the far end of St Margaret's Road. (The 300 goes onto Pear Tree Park and Ride)

If you are driving into Oxford from the **west**, it's advisable to stay on the A34 ring road or to onto the A34 from the A420 from Faringdon ignoring the sign into Oxford City and the Rail Station (and Seacourt Park and Ride which is small and often full) Instead head for the Pear Tree Park and Ride in north Oxford. Exit the A34 at the sign

for Oxford and A40. After driving round the roundabout and under the A34, Pear Tree Park and Ride appears on the left of the A44.

If you are driving into Oxford from the east ignore the first sign for Oxford city centre at the large roundabout and travel on the A40 which is the northern ring road. In 5 - 7 minutes there is another smaller roundabout, take the 3<sup>rd</sup> exit heading north out of the city and in 5 minutes you will see the Water Eaton Park and Ride sign( also signed will be the Oxford Parkway station) The number 500 bus runs down into the city along the Banbury Road. Ask for St Margaret's Road. Cross over to the college (10 minutes).

Oxford County Council Park and Ride information including timetables at <https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/cms/public-site/park-and-ride>

There are 2 (expensive) council car parks about 5 minutes' drive away: the Ferry Leisure Centre and Summertown. See [https://www.oxford.gov.uk/directory/8/car\\_parks\\_in\\_oxford/category/54/categoryinfo/11](https://www.oxford.gov.uk/directory/8/car_parks_in_oxford/category/54/categoryinfo/11) . From here there is a very short walk to the Banbury Road to a bus stop. Any bus going to the city centre long the Banbury Road would take you to a stop near St Margaret's Road and the college.

If you have a Blue Badge you should be able to park in St Margaret's Road.

NB We are reserving a very small number of spaces for anyone with a specific need to park a car in college for the day. Please get in touch with Conference Administrator, [elizabeth@eminence-grise.co.uk](mailto:elizabeth@eminence-grise.co.uk) or 07970 742062

## **TRAINS**

### **Oxford now has 2 train stations**

Oxford Parkway opened in 2015. Located in the north of the city next to Water Eaton Park and Ride, trains travel from Oxford to London Marylebone <http://www.chilternrailways.co.uk/oxford-parkway-open>

The 500 Park and Ride bus runs along the Banbury Road. Ask for St Margaret's Road. Cross the Banbury Road and the college is visible with the entrance a few minutes' walk in St Margaret's Road.

### **Most trains will arrive at Oxford Rail Station**

**Taxis** – the journey to St Hugh's is around 15 minutes and costs £8

### **Buses from the station to St Hugh's College**

A map of the bus stops at Oxford Station is here <https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/cms/sites/default/files/folders/documents/roadsandtransport/publictransport/timetablesmaps/WTCYBOxfordRailStn.pdf>

Bus Stop **R5** for the S3 ( Chipping Norton) which leaves the station every 20 minutes after 8am, takes about 15-20 minutes and stops on the Woodstock Road. You ask for St Margaret's Road and cross the Woodstock Road to St Margaret's Road. The College entrance is at the fat end <http://www.stagecoachbus.com/pdfs/XOAS003.pdf>

**R1** for the 500, a bus that travels along the Banbury Road between Oxford Station and the new Oxford Parkway Station next to Water Eaton Park and Ride on the northern boundary of the city. <http://parkandride.oxfordbus.co.uk/timetables-fares/500>

**Bus stops R4, R8** for the 14/14A, 17A/17C, which all run along the Banbury Road. Ask for St Margaret's Road which will mean turning left and then first right after alighting from the bus. The college entrance is nearby. NB these buses are far less frequent than the S3 and 500

The alternative is to walk into Oxford Town centre to Magdalene Street (10 minutes) and take any bus going north to Summertown/Kidlington on the Banbury Road ( nos. 2, 2a 7, 7a) The journey to St Margaret's Road and the college is 7 minutes.

## **Coaches**

There are very frequent coach services from London operated by 2 coach companies. For further details and timetables see X90 <http://x90.oxfordbus.co.uk/timetables-fares/x90-oxford-london> Oxford Tube <http://www.oxfordtube.com/>

## **Flights**

There are good coach links between all main airports in south England and Oxford. The most frequent services operate between Oxford and Heathrow which is less than an hour's journey. The coach between Oxford and Gatwick takes 2-2.5 hours. Details from <http://airline.oxfordbus.co.uk/>. There are coaches to Oxford from both Luton and Stanstead airports

There is a direct train service between Birmingham International airport and Oxford

## **ACCOMMODATION IN OXFORD**

Not surprisingly, Oxford hotels and B&Bs tend to be more expensive than many other UK cities.

The Oxford Tourist website provides a list of accommodation <http://experienceoxfordshire.org/stay/>

Booking a room in one of the Oxford University colleges during vacation time is a good option - prices start at £49 per night at Magdalene College and at St Stephen's for the 13, 14 and 15 of April. They are 20 minutes and 25 minutes away from St

Hugh's respectively, with a walk to a bus stop and a short ride. **Do book as soon as you can.** <http://www.universityrooms.com/en/city/oxford/home/>

St Hugh's College have reserved a limited number of student rooms for CDAN delegates – these are £75 bed and breakfast. Book as soon as possible via [conferences@st-hughs.ox.ac.uk](mailto:conferences@st-hughs.ox.ac.uk) quoting reference CDAN16.

There is a Travel Lodge at Peartree Park and Ride, one of Oxford's northern park and rides. Delegates travel down to St Hugh's College on the number 300. The journey is 10 minutes. <https://www.travelodge.co.uk/hotels/60/Oxford-Peartree-hotel>

Another Travel Lodge is at Redbridge Park and Ride and the number 300 bus will take you through the city to St Margaret's Road (St Hugh's College). St Margaret's Road is off of the Woodstock Road. The journey is around 15-20 minutes

<https://www.travelodge.co.uk/hotels/599/Oxford-Abingdon-Road-hotel>

Airbnb in Oxford and the modern Youth Hostel next to the Oxford Station are also worth checking.