



Ideas and actions for a 21st century enlightenment

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Latest news



Todmorden Talks

Fellows in and around the Todmorden area are getting together for Todmorden Talks on **Saturday 24 and Sunday 25 September** in conjunction with the [Incredible Edible movement](#). The 'grow your own' initiative has been spreading across the country as people respond to higher food prices and the chance to live within local means.

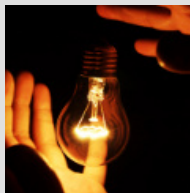
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Not enough capital: exploring education and employment progression in further education

Poor students at FE colleges find it more difficult to get into elite jobs and top universities than their counterparts in school sixth-forms, according to our new report.

[Read more about this finding and share the report](#)



RSA Events coming up in autumn

This week, [RSA Events](#) return with an exciting new season of talks and debates. You can look forward to [new podcasts](#), [new videos](#) and even download [our app](#) for Android and iPhone to keep up to date. And if you've been working on your short film for the RSA/Nominet competition, good news! The deadline is extended to **Monday 19 September**.

[Find out more about the competition](#)

Get involved

Fellowship in the US & Canada

There are over 2000 Fellows overseas across 69 countries and many of these are in America and Canada. RSA networks now exist in many cities worldwide and visiting

In your network: Sian Evans FRSA

"I love the elemental and alchemic nature of coppersmithing and feel a strong sense of responsibility for the continuation of this unusual craft, as well as a sense of duty to

Fellows are very welcome. To connect with networks in the US or Canada, start your journey online at the [American Coffee House](#).

[Find out what events are coming up in September](#) ▶

Accessing World Heritage sites

In Edinburgh on **Wednesday 23 and Thursday 24 November**, the *I know where I am going* conference will focus on the potential for new technologies to allow high-quality remote access to World Heritage Sites and other sites of cultural, historical and natural significance. This conference was organised in conjunction with the Media, Creative Industries, Culture and Heritage (MCICH) Network.

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pass my skills on to others" says Sian Evans FRSA, one of the last ornamental coppersmiths in the UK.

Sian was awarded a Winston Churchill Memorial Trust travel Fellowship to journey around Greece, France and India this year, to research and learn the ancient traditions of coppersmithing still in use. Sian would like to hear from any Fellows with an interest in manufacturing and skills who might be interested in getting in touch, especially those based in the countries Sian is travelling to.

[Find out more and connect with Sian](#) ▶

RSA Catalyst deadline

The next deadline for Fellows' projects to apply for grants and other support is **Sunday 4 September**.

[Find out more on the Catalyst pages](#) ▶

Coming up



Are Chronic Diseases Killing our Competitiveness?

Chronic disease is a growing burden on developed societies across the world and in the UK the NHS estimates that 17.5m people are living with – and trying their best to manage – a long term condition. The RSA, Gallup and Healthways announce an update on the findings from a recent national Well-Being Index about UK chronic disease prevalence and its impact on national productivity. Join the panel on **Thursday 29 September, 9.30am**.

[Find out more](#) ▶



The Future of Universities

As funding cuts and changes to tuition fees begin to take effect, universities and students face an uncertain future. Our panel of speakers - including NUS President Liam Burns and Director of Higher Education at the British Council Pat Killingley – will be exploring the challenges in store for universities in the UK. [Join the debate](#) on **Wednesday 12 October, 6.30pm**.

[Find out more](#) ▶



AGM 2011 - We encourage you to vote!

This year's AGM will take place on **Wednesday 5 October** in the Great Room at 8 John Adam Street. You will receive the notice of the meeting shortly with the accompanying documents and the governance review report. There are important resolutions that have been put forward by the Board of Trustees and by Fellows, and you are encouraged to vote. Read more on the [RSA website](#).

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