

## FULL DAY COACH VISIT TO PICCOTTS END AND ST ALBANS

Tuesday 21 April 2020, 8.30am-6.00pm (approx)



Piccotts End is a privately owned, timber-framed hall house built in traditional medieval style in Hemel Hempstead. The house is being specially opened for The Arts Society for a week in April. The building is Grade I listed with a series of wall paintings from 1527. They were concealed during the Reformation and discovered only by accident in 1953.

We will be offered tea and coffee on arrival (included). Our tour is booked for 11.00am, when one of the owners will outline the building's history and the fascinating political and religious influences on the paintings for about 45 minutes. After that there will be an opportunity to explore the property. There are three steps with a handrail into the house. There is seating downstairs for the talk; toilets are upstairs.

After our visit, the coach will take us to St Albans (lunch not included). A key site is the Cathedral and Abbey of St Albans, which, with its shrine to Britain's first saint, is the oldest site of continuous Christian worship in Britain. The Cathedral is a fine example of Early Gothic, Norman and Romanesque architecture, and there is a free guided tour at 2.30pm.

Another recommendation is the newly-reopened Museum and Gallery (free) in the old Assembly Rooms. The Museum also has a café.

Also worth consideration is the Verulamium Museum (£4 entry) adjacent to Verulamium Park and its Roman ruins. The site is on the edge of the town and a taxi may be advisable for those who are less mobile.

**BOOKINGS MUST BE RECEIVED BY WED 1 APRIL.** The cost of this visit is £35 per person, including the return coach journey and entrance fee to Piccotts End. The visit is being arranged with The Arts Society Greenwich, who will visit St Albans in the morning and Piccotts End in the afternoon. The coach will pick up and drop off in Dulwich and Greenwich and will return from St Albans at about 3.30-4.00pm. The journey is about two hours. Accurate timings etc to follow.

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Return completed form to **Yvette Bavin, 28 Holmdene Avenue, London SE24 9LF**  
plus cheque for **£35.00** p.p. payable to **THE ARTS SOCIETY DULWICH**  
or email your request to book the visit with your full details to  
[chairman@theartsocietydulwich.org.uk](mailto:chairman@theartsocietydulwich.org.uk)

Alternatively pay by bank transfer to The Arts Society Dulwich  
account: 20268097; sort code: 20-94-48; ref: YOUR SURNAME/PICCOTTSEND  
confirming to Yvette once you have paid

*Enclose s.a.e. for paper receipt* OR tick box  for email receipt/joining instructions

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