

Rantin' Rovin' Romantics

Celebrate the bicentenary of the famous novel *'The Private Memoirs and Confessions of a Justified Sinner'* by James Hogg.

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Relaxed, accessible and informative, Rantin' Rovin' Romantics is a new and exciting monthly series of readings of extracts from the literature of Scott, Hogg and their contemporaries.

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Incorporating collections -focused discussions, these events take place between May and October 2024 at Sir Walter Scott's Courtroom, Market Place, Selkirk.

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Join us and explore the themes and stories surrounding major figures of the Romantic and Gothic tradition and their work.



The Ettrick Shepherd
by William Nicholson
1781 - 1844

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JAMES HOGG

Bicentennial celebration of
*'The Private Memoirs and Confessions
of a Justified Sinner'*

Rantin' Rovin' Romantics

A programme of talks and
events inspired by the work of
James Hogg and Sir Walter Scott

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MAY – OCTOBER 2024

EVENT SCHEDULE

May

Wednesday
8 May 2024
19:00 – 20:00

Romantic and Gothic Personalities – from Catherine Linton and Heathcliff to Dr. Jekyll & Mr Hyde.

*Speaker
Fiona McDonald-Colton*

June

Thursday
6 June 2024
19:00 – 20:00

The Border Minstrelsy, Sir Walter Scott – A Writer's View
Featuring archives and museum collection highlights as a show and tell followed by talk and reading.

Speaker Julian Colton

July

Friday
12 July 2024

A special all-day event marking Friday 12th July 2024 as the exact 200th anniversary of the publication of James Hogg's book *The Private Memoirs and Confessions of a Justified Sinner*.

A series of object-based 'show and tell's'. Each presentation is led by a member of Live Borders Museums curatorial team and is followed by a reading of an iconic poem by Hogg.

12:00
Manuscripts/letters concerning the First Edition of *Confessions of a Justified Sinner* publishing and legacy

Presented by Julian Colton

13:00
Hogg's Border Bowman Uniform

*Presented by
Fiona McDonald -Colton*

14:00
James Hogg's Fishing Flies

*Presented by
Fiona McDonald-Colton*

14:45
Artist led talk by Aberdeen based artist and writer MJ Burns
A talk on their work which explores adaptations and illustrations as part of 'The Private Memoirs and Confessions of a Justified Sinner' 200th Anniversary.

Presented by Monica J Burns

15:00
James Hogg Death Mask

Presented by Julian Colton

16:00
Shepherd's Plaid / Nicholson's Portrait of Hogg

Presented by Shona Sinclair

19:00 - 20:00
James Hogg *The Suicide's Grave*
An evening illustrated talk featuring the Hogg Death Mask and the story behind *The Suicide's Grave*, a variant of *Confessions*, published 1828.

*Presented by
Fiona McDonald-Colton*

August

Wednesday
14 August 2024
19:00 – 20:00

Lyrical Ballads William Wordsworth and Samuel Taylor Coleridge

The writers and poetry collection which effectively started the Romantic Movement, featuring excerpts from the poetry.

Speaker Julian Colton

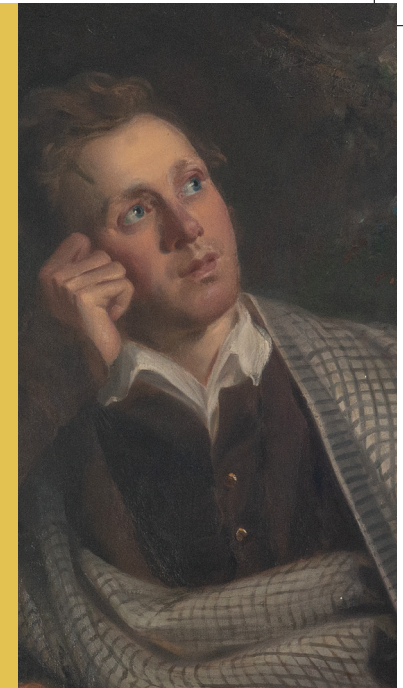
September

Wednesday
15 Sept 2024
19:00 – 20:00

John Keats: *Season of Mists and Mellow Fruitfulness*

Listen to the wonderful poems of the embodiment of all the elements of Romanticism.

Speaker Julian Colton



October

Thursday
31 October 2024
19:00 – 20:00

Gothic, Ghostly & Gruesome Tales

Atmospherics and readings in period costume for Halloween.

Speaker Julian Colton

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