

WEST ENGLAND COSTUME SOCIETY

The West of England Costume Society was formed in 1973 to further the aims of the Costume Society, which are to promote the study of costume and its history and to help in the preservation of significant examples of historical and contemporary dress.



Some of WECS activities during 2009, top to bottom: Behind the scenes at Blaise Castle, Bristol with access to material not on show, a practical demonstration of reconstruction by Rachel Jardine at the Tudor Study Day, an academic lecture from Santina Levey on fine embroidery in the C16th, Mince pies and mulled wine at the Christmas meeting on *Bill Gibb, Fashion and Fantasy* by Iain Webb, and left: fundraising to keep Vionnet dresses in the country for the Fashion Museum.

The Society embraces the study of decorative arts allied to costume, as well as literary and pictorial sources of dress.

Each year two Study Days are held offering a set of lectures around a theme. Members meet twice a year for single talks, usually in Bath, one of which accompanies the AGM in February and the other at the Christmas party. In addition, we arrange one or two visits to places of interest, often with privileged access behind the scenes.

Members receive a free quarterly newsletter and concessionary entrance to chargeable events.

Student members receive full membership entitlement and free entrance to lectures.

Corporate members receive full membership entitlement for any two (interchangeable) members of staff and two newsletters.

The Annual subscription is payable in January by Standing order or cheque.

Cheques should be made payable to *The West of England Costume Society* and sent with completed form and an sae to the Membership Secretary.

Standing order forms are available from the Membership Secretary, or downloaded from www.wofecostumesociety.org

Membership Secretary:

Mrs Sarah Bartlett, 4 Cotley Place, Heytesbury, Warminster, Wilts BA12 0HT. T01985 840624 sarah@tiramisu.co.uk

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Membership Application/Renewal Form 2010

Please use capitals

I wish to

- become a member of the West of England Costume Society (£20.00)
- renew my membership (£20.00)
- apply as a student member (£10.00)
- join as a Corporate member (£35.00)

Interests

Please use the reverse of this form to give areas of particular interest or expertise, and state whether this is amateur or professional.

I enclose

- a cheque for £35.00/£20.00/£10.00 made payable to *The West of England Costume Society.*
- a Standing order form

Signed _____

Date _____

Please send this form with your cheque and a stamped self addressed envelope to the Membership Secretary Mrs Sarah Bartlett, 4 Cotley Place, Heytesbury, Warminster, Wilts BA12 0HT. Tel 01985 840624 Email sarah@tiramisu.co.uk *Please note* that your card will not be returned without an sae.

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