



NZUGA BUFFET SUPPER

In the Penthouse Suite, New Zealand House, Haymarket, London SW1Y 4TQ

On Friday, 9 March 2012 at 6:15 p.m.

Featuring our speaker: **Prof Robin Clark CNZM FRS**

Sir William Ramsay Professor Emeritus of Chemistry, UCL

"Science Meets Art"



Scientific methods, notably light scattering ones, have been developed at UCL for the detection and identification of pigments and dyes on artwork and archaeological artefacts. This adds key information relevant to artists' palettes at different periods, in particular to the identification - clearly, rapidly and unambiguously - of forgeries. The talk will be illustrated with reference to the Lindisfarne Gospels, the Gutenberg Bibles and other multimillion pound items as well as to several others shown to be classic forgeries.

The talk will follow an informal supper. Admittance is at a charge of £20 per person. If paid in advance a discount of £2 (i.e. price £18 each) will apply and includes buffet. Cash bar for liquid refreshment. Please arrive between 6:15 pm and 7:00 pm. For security reasons the guest list will be checked on the ground floor. Admission will not be possible after 7:15 pm. All very welcome to attend, member of NZUGA or not, but advance booking is required as space is limited.

TO RESERVE YOUR PLACE PLEASE COMPLETE AS BELOW AND RETURN WITH YOUR PAYMENT

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Please reserve _____ places @ £18 each. My cheque for £ _____ (payable to NZ Universities Graduates' Association) is enclosed.

My Name: E-mail address

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Guest Name/s (if applicable): Guest/s University attended (if applicable):

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Prof Robin Clark

Born in New Zealand, Professor Clark studied for his bachelors and masters degrees at Canterbury University College in Christchurch, focusing on diffusion-controlled reactions. He then started a PhD at the University of Otago in Dunedin on high pressure chemistry, before joining the UCL Chemistry department to develop the chemistry of titanium and vanadium. His research focussed on inorganic chemistry, spectroscopy and the development of Raman and resonance Raman spectroscopy into powerful structural techniques. More recently he pioneered the application of Raman microscopy to the characterisation of pigments on artwork and archaeological artefacts, his research being embodied in nearly 500 scientific papers, 3 books and 36 edited books. He has lectured in over 350 other universities and institutions and acted as visiting professor to 13 universities. He played key roles on many national and international committees and on the Councils of the Royal Society, Royal Institution of Great Britain (for 6 years as Secretary), University

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College London and the Senate of the University of London.

Robin was elected Hon FRSNZ in 1989, FRS in 1990, FRSA in 1992, FUCL in 1993, Hon DSc (Cant) in 2001 and Hon FRI in 2004. He was appointed a Companion of the New Zealand Order of Merit in 2004 for services to science. In 2008 Robin was awarded the prestigious annual Bakerian Lecture and Medal of the Royal Society of London.

Robin served as Chairman for the NZUGA for a highly creditable 16 years before stepping down in October 2011.

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The New Zealand University Graduates' Association holds 3 suppers annually, where a speaker is invited to talk on a field of interest to New Zealanders. The NZUGA seeks to bring New Zealand graduates and friends in the UK together in an arena of mutual interest in socialising, discussion and learning. See www.nzuga.co.uk for further details, and a booking form.