

Annual Meeting

Saturday 16th November 2024

The Natural History Museum, London



Cromwell Road, London, SW7 5BD

Venue

Dipterists Day & the AGM will be in the Neil Chalmers Suite, located near the base of the cocoon, at the North end of the Darwin Centre 2 building. We aim to broadcast the talks live, so that members unable to attend in person can still participate. The MS Teams link for the broadcast is available on the news section of the Dipterists Forum website.

Registration

Registration is now open for the 2024 meeting, visit the news section of the DF website to register.

Provisional list of talks

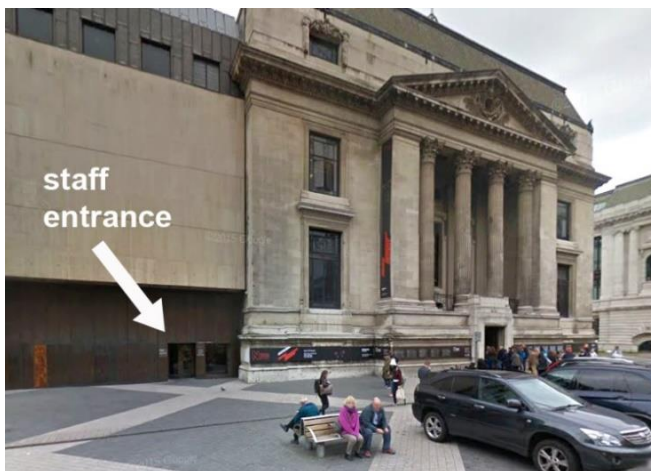
Once finalised a full timetable will go up on the forum website at the start of November.

- **Will Hawkes – Insect migration**
- **Vladimir Blagoderov – Fossil Diptera**
- **AGM**
- **Mike Ashworth – New Fanniidae & Muscidae study group**
- **Olga Sivell – The Locust Blowfly *Stomorhina lunata* in Europe**

Access

The museum opens its doors at 10 am, and the meeting will commence at 10.30 am.

Please enter through the staff entrance on Exhibition Road and report to the reception desk for a visitor pass. Tell the reception staff you are attending the Dipterists Forum event. There may well be a queue for the public entrance trailing past the staff entrance, just squeeze through and use the staff entrance.

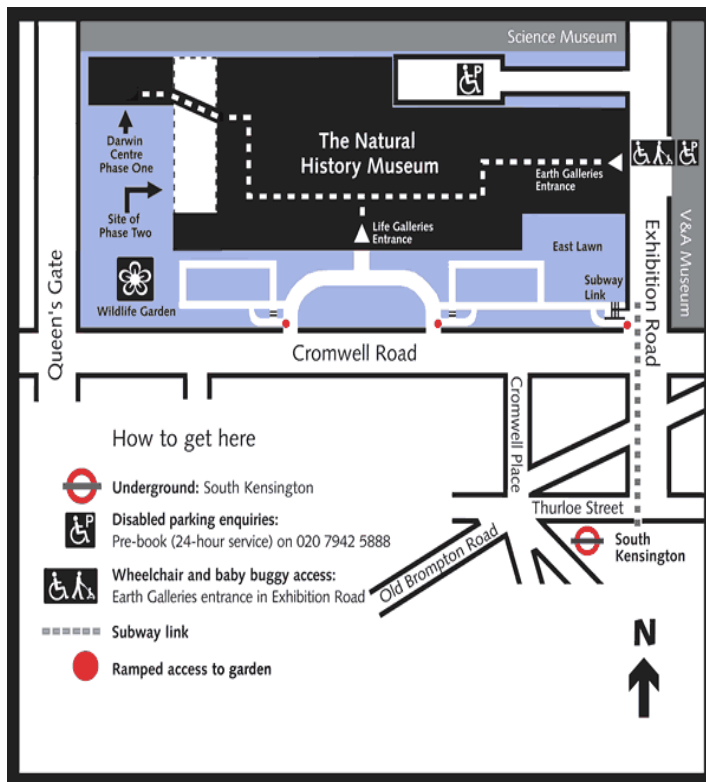


Travelling to the Natural History Museum.

Engineering works periodically affect London's public transport network at weekends so always check the Transport for London website before planning your journey. The closest tube station is South Kensington which is served by the District, Circle and Piccadilly lines. Note that this station does not have step free access. Also remember London buses no longer accept cash payments.

Accessible parking

Blue badge holders can book a space in the museum carpark, accessed via Queen's Gate (entrance indicated on the map below). Contact Zoe Adams for more information (Z.Adams@nhm.ac.uk).



Exhibits from the members

Anyone who would like to exhibit a poster, or a display of specimens at the event should contact Zoe Adams to arrange logistics (Z.Adams@nhm.ac.uk).

Visit to the NHM Collections:

DF members will have the opportunity to access the National Diptera Collections on Friday 15th November.

Dipterists Supper

The Dipterists Supper will be on the Saturday evening, use the registration link in the events section of the DF website if you would like to join us.

Things to do whilst at the NHM

Take a stroll through the museum's revamped gardens, entrance is free, and they are open daily. Anyone interested in the sounds of nature should go and listen to the art installation *The River*, by acoustic artist Jana Winderen in collaboration with Tony Myatt.

<https://www.nhm.ac.uk/visit/exhibitions/the-river.html>