



THE ATTINGHAM TRUST
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VISIT TO DYRHAM PARK **South Gloucestershire**

Saturday 10 June 2023 at 11.00-11.15 am



Dyrham Park house and parkland / © National Trust Images/Arnhel de Serra

A special visit to Dyrham Park has been arranged with Dr Rupert Gouling following his very successful Attingham talk on *Dyrham Park and Imperial Imagination* in our Winter lecture series. The house, set within its ancient deer park, was built between 1692 and 1704 for William Blathwayt (?1649-1717), Secretary at War to William III. With its rich assemblage of materials and objects, this baroque mansion reflects his professional status and embodies his interconnected roles within political, military, and especially colonial administration. Blathwayt described colonies as ‘enlarging His [Majesty’s] Empire and Revenue very considerably’ and at Dyrham Park this ambition found material expression.

Rupert (Summer School 2011) will lead the tour. He is the National Trust’s Head Curator and has written extensively on Dyrham Park and William Blathwayt and his family.

Numbers are limited to 20. Closing date for booking: 3rd June 2023

The cost of the day for National Trust members will be £15 to include coffee on arrival and a small donation to the Attingham Scholarship Fund.

(Entry to the house (only) for non-NT members is £17)

To book a place, please contact Rebecca Parker: rebecca.parker@attinghamtrust.org
More details with travel information for those coming from London will be sent nearer the time.