

On Wednesday 27th November, The Heritage Circle were presented with a talk entitled “The Pre-Raphaelite Brotherhood” by Geoffrey Kay.

The talk started with a brief history of the Pre-Raphaelite movement which was founded in 1848 by a group of English painters, poets & art critics including William Holman-Hunt, John Everett Millais & Dante Gabriel Rossetti.

Mr. Kay went on to speak about the group’s main objectives & themes of medieval culture, Romanticism and nature and how they expressed them through their art, lifestyles & personal relationships. He peppered his talk with fascinating stories about the various artists including a story of how whilst working on the painting “Ophelia”, Millais had to use candles placed beneath the bath to keep his model warm in the water!

After a break, the members of the club were invited by Mr. Kay to ask questions and discuss their own thoughts about some of the artworks that had been shown. This proved to be a fascinating insight into the subject and people’s views on the paintings they had seen.

The next meeting of the Heritage Circle will be at the Rickinghall Village Hall on Wednesday 22 January 2020 when Janette Robinson will give a talk entitled *Voices from the Workhouse – Memories of a Suffolk Workhouse*.

New members are always welcome!

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