

Termcard

Week 1 – Welcome Drinks

...for prospective members, in St Catherine's College PDR, at 7.30 pm on Thursday.

Week 2 – Film Showing

We will be showing the short film "Here Be Dragons", an introduction to sceptical thinking and common fallacious arguments

Week 3 – Adrian Moore, Suffering Debate

Adrian Moore is chairing a debate on how dissuasive suffering is to belief in a benevolent God. Tuesday.

Week 4 – Tim Mawson

Oxford Theologist Tim Mawson will be giving a talk on "Praying to Stop Being an Atheist". Monday.

Week 5 – Pubs and Club Social

A chance to have fun with your new Atheist pals.

Week 6 – Edward Canfor-Dumas

Edward Canfor-Dumas will talk about how Buddhists believe atheism, spirituality and Buddhist philosophy work together. Tuesday.

Week 7 – End of Term Meal

All members are welcome to join us for a festive meal celebrating the 13,730,000,000th anniversary of the birth of the Universe.

Week 8 – Marilyn McCord Adams

Regius Professor of Divinity Adams is going to be discussing why, for her, horrendous evil is a reason for believing in God. Monday.



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Society

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About Us

The Oxford Atheist Society is a brand new society, having only been founded last term. The Society aims to promote an open, questioning arena in which people can discuss almost any issue they wish to do with Atheism, whether it is philosophical, political, social or ethical. The only stance the Society itself takes is that it does not believe in God, and apart from this everything is up for debate, with all other opinions coming from individual members and speakers.

Joining

Joining the society costs £5 for a year, or £10 for life. This fee is to cover costs such as meals and transport for speakers.

You can join by pigging a cheque for the appropriate amount, made payable to the "Oxford Atheist Society", to Rosemary Hinton at St Catherine's College, together with:

- Your name,
- Your college,
- Your preferred email address,
- And your year of graduation.

Alternatively, you can join at any of our meetings.

Welcome Drinks

Our free welcome drinks event for prospective members will be held in St Catherine's College PDR on Thursday 1st Week at 7.30

Speakers

Speakers we have lined up this term (in what many are billing as the "religious term"):

- **Professor Adrian Moore** – Oxford philosopher of religion and specialist in Kant and Wittgenstein.
- **Dr Tim Mawson** – Oxford theologian and current Secretary to the British Society for the Philosophy of Religion.
- **Edward Canfor-Dumas** – Former writer of *Not the Nine O'Clock News*, *The Bill* and *Kavanagh QC*, as well as having written *Pompeii: The Last Day* and *Supervolcano*, Eddy has also written two books on the subject of Buddhism.
- **The Reverend Canon Professor Marilyn McCord Adams** – Regius Professor of Divinity at Oxford and former Horace Tracy Pitkin Professor of Historical Theology at Yale.

And looking further afield, we so far have confirmed:

- **Professor Kenan Malik** – writer, lecturer, broadcaster and Humanist, philosopher of biology.
- **Dr Julian Baggini** – Philosopher, author, contributor to The Guardian, The Independent, The Observer, and the BBC.
- **Professor Peter Atkins** – professor of chemistry, author of several leading textbooks and popular science writer.
- **Dr Olivera Petrovich** – Oxford psychologist who specialises in the nature and development of religious belief.
- **Dr Peter Kail** – Our senior member, philosopher and an expert on David Hume and Friedrich Nietzsche.
- **David Boulton** – author, writer, broadcaster, Quaker and Humanist, has also researched historical Jesus.
- **Professor John Hedley Brooke** – former Andreas Idreos Professor of Science and Religion, will be talking about Darwin's beliefs on religion as well as complexity thesis.
- **Professor Steven Rose** – author, newspaper columnist, Humanist and critic of evolutionary psychology.