Fri  1  Herschel / Astronomy  Herschel: A Space Observatory’s Legacy  Dr North will recap the Herschel Space Observatory, in terms of the mission design, its science goals, and discoveries that have been made from it. From planets to supermassive galaxies, the range of discoveries is vast. 10 years after Herschel’s launch, new results continue to come out. How will upcoming missions build on the legacy of Herschel? The Herschel Space Observatory was an infrared telescope and so this lecture will complement the Herschel Museum’s current theme of infrared which was famously discovered to be a constituent of the solar spectrum by William Herschel. Dr Chris North University of Cardiff

Mon  4  Bath NATS  Greener Greenways: Wildlife on the National Cycle network  Lydia Blake

Mon  4  Bath Evening Arts Society  The Architecture of the British Raj  Anthony Peers  £8/£5  7pm

Tue  5  Philosophy  Fresh Perspectives of Time: Philosophical & scientific ramifications and our place within it all  Challenging what is naturally taken for granted (‘the willingness to be puzzled by things that look obvious,’ as Chomsky put it), the presentation will link philosophy and science. With time as the core of existence, the notion of a non-existent present opens up questions as to the ‘reality’ of the past, the potential reality of the future, and leads us to central issues of Reality, Truth, Fact, Knowledge, Objectivity, the Self and Consciousness. Ronald Green  Philosopher, lecturer & ESL teacher

Thu  7  Bath Geological Society  Oil and Gas Fields for the 22nd Century  Dr Tiago Alvez, University of Cardiff

Thu  7  Extraordinary Women in Bath  Ann Ford Thyness: A woman ahead of her time  One of the most gifted musicians and singers of her day. Ann Ford (1737–1824) defied her father by playing in public subscription concerts, and scandalised society with her published reprobate. The Earl of Jersey’s proposal to be her mistress. Bath society was shocked when Gainsborough painted her with crossed legs, her ‘masculine’ veil da gamba by her side. She travelled with her husband Phillip Thicknesse (one of the most hated men in England) several times across France, once with a monkey in livery in their entourage, and was imprisoned during the Revolution. Her novel School for Fashion is highly critical of women’s education. Marie-Louise Luxembourg  Writer; BRLSI History & Culture Convenor

Fri  8  Bath Film Society  Like Father, Like Son  (Japan 2013)  Director: Hirokazu Kore’eda  7.45pm

Sat  9  The Poet’s Voice  Poetry Workshop  Organiser Duncan McGibbon  All welcome  10am

Mon 11  History & Culture  The History of Chocolate in Georgian Bath & Victorian Bristol  The history of chocolate is over 5000 years old and celebrated in different cultures as a sacred and life-giving food. By the 17th century, chocolate had been introduced into England and was enjoyed by high society in Georgian Bath. In the Victorian age, Bristol became an important centre for the manufacture of chocolate, which had far-reaching consequences for society. Today, a new generation is rediscovering the importance of chocolate. Tracy Arden Chapman  Chocolate Educator & Chocolate Awards Judge

Sat 29  German Language & Culture  Alfred Polgar, the initiator of Weltbühne  Elizabeth Attlmayr  DAAD  Lektörin, University of Bath  TALK IN GERMAN

Mon 18  Bath Philharmonia: Conception, creation and growth of an orchestra  for 21st century Bath  Jason Thornton  Music Director & Chief Conductor, Bath Philharmonia

Tue 19  World Affairs  Modern Slavery  We are told tough border controls are necessary to prevent would-be migrants from being caught up in a ‘modem-day slave trade’. But what if the experience of those described as ‘modem slaves’ resembles the historical experience of people who attempt to escape slavery, rather than those who were transported into it? Prof Julia O’Connell Davidson  University of Bristol

Wed 27  Geography & Adventure with RSG-IBG  Tenochtitlan (Mexico City) Capital of the Aztecs  A visitor to downtown Mexico City might be amazed at the beauty of the Mannerist buildings, Baroque churches and Art Nouveau hotels without realising that this was once a lake where, in 1325, the wandering Aztecs found their promised land. This talk will trace the major archaeological discoveries since 1978 until the present day. Dr Elizabeth Baquedano  Institute of Archaeology, UCL

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Fri 21  Bath Film Society  Frantz  (France/Germany 2016)  Director: François Ozon  7.45pm

Mon 25  Bath Family History Group  The Letter of Marque’ by Patrick O’Brien  Group Book Discussion

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Fri 28  Bath / Braunschweig Twinning Association  Umweltschutz Herausforderungen in den beiden Partnerstädten  Dr Franziska Gromadecki & Dr Britta Jänicke  Braunschweig City Council. IN GERMAN

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