

Beasts of the Imagination

The Symposium:

Saturday 19 May

(11.00 am – 4.00 pm)

The Burrell Lecture Theatre

A series of lectures to inspire and indulge all those who love carpets, wild animals and the environment, the Indian jungle, Persian poetry and English literature.



11.00 am - Fantastical Animal Carpets in the Burrell Collection

Dr Steven J Cohen, leading scholar and expert on Mughal Indian animal carpets, London.

11.45 am - Animals in Persian Poetry

Narguess Farzad, Senior Fellow in Persian, School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London.

12.30 pm - Lunch break

2.00 pm - Wildlife, ecology and myths: a journey into Mughal art

Dr. Azra Meadows and Dr. Peter Meadows, Honorary Lecturers at the Institute of Biodiversity, Animal Health and Comparative Medicine, University of Glasgow.

2.45 pm - The Tiger of Mysore: Tipu Sultan and the Decorative Arts

Anne Buddle, leading scholar on Tipu Sultan the ruler of Mysore, and Head of Exhibitions and Collections Management at the National Galleries of Scotland Edinburgh.

3.30 pm - Rudyard Kipling and his Jungle Books

Dr. Donald Mackenzie, Lecturer in English Literature at the University of Glasgow.

A free event, all are welcome.

The Beasts of the Imagination Exhibition runs until Tuesday 5 June 2012.

Location: The Burrell Collection, Pollok Country Park, 2060 Pollokshaws Road, Glasgow G43 1AT; www.glasgowlife.org.uk; Enquiries: 0141 2872563 and 0141 287 2550.