In this talk Joanna Norman, Director of the V&A Research Institute, will talk about her experience curating exhibitions and permanent galleries at the V&A including, most recently, the Scottish Design Galleries at V&A Dundee. She will explore the interdisciplinary nature of museum work, what characterises research in a museum environment, and the challenges and opportunities for museums in a 21st-century digital world, looking forward to the creation of a new V&A museum and collections and research centre in East London.

This keynote is being held in collaboration with the History of Art Research Seminar Series in the School of Culture and Creative Arts at the University of Glasgow.

Joanna Norman, Director of the V&A Research Institute

Joanna currently oversees all the V&A’s research activities, including postgraduate programmes and exhibition research and development. Her own background is in curatorial research, particularly focused on early modern Italy and France, which she has pursued through collaborative exhibitions and publications on Baroque style and in Europe 1600–1815, the V&A’s recently redisplayed permanent galleries of 17th- and 18th-century European art and design. Joanna studied Modern Languages at the University of Cambridge and Cultural and Intellectual History at the Warburg Institute. Her research interests include the history of performance (from festivities to musical instruments) and the relationship between early modern Italian furniture and sculpture. She has a particular interest in period rooms and the reconstruction of historic interiors inside and outside the museum environment.

Joanna was also Lead Curator for the Scottish Design Galleries at V&A Museum of Design Dundee, opened September 2018.

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