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# HOWTHELIGHTGETSIN LONDON 2022

KENWOOD HOUSE, HAMPSTEAD HEATH

1 – 2<sup>nd</sup> OCTOBER 2022

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## HowTheLightGetsIn

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**SPEAKERS**

PETER SINGER • DONALD HOFFMAN  
THANGAM DEBBOAIRE • DAVID HARE • SOPHIE FIENNES  
GUY STANDING • LAURIE PENNY • DAVID AARONOVITCH  
POLLY VERNON • PAUL MASON • HENRY MARSH  
TAMAR GENDLER • AMELIA GENTLEMAN • ERIC LERNER  
PETER HITCHENS • ZOE STRIMPEL • SOPHIE WARD  
EMILY GROSSMAN • RANA MITTER • BARRY C SMITH  
GÜNEŞ TAYLOR • MYRIAM FRANÇOIS • ANDY WEST • DENIS NOBLE

**MUSIC & PERFORMERS**

GWENNO • DJANGO DJANGO (DJ)  
GIRLS OF THE INTERNET • ROSIE ALENA • PLUMM  
ELANOR MOSS • LÉA SEN • [ K S R ] • VANITY FAIRY  
GIGI WILLIAMS • EMILY PARISH • KATIE MAC • SARA WOLFF  
ROSSA MURRAY • FREYA ROY • TORTURE AND THE DESERT SPIDERS  
ME & DEBOE • I.AM.AFIYA • AILSA TULLY • MUMBLE TIDE

**COMEDY & CABARET**

AHIR SHAH • TATTY MACLEOD  
BOURGEOIS & MAURICE  
SUNIL PATEL • ALEXANDRA HADDOW  
BEN POPE • ALEX KEALY • ALFIE BROWN

AND MANY, MANY, MORE!

## HowTheLightGetsIn postponed two weeks following Queen's death

In light of the death of the Queen and the festival's proximity to the State funeral on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> September, HowTheLightGetsIn London 2022 has been postponed from September 17<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> to October 1<sup>st</sup>-2<sup>nd</sup>. The decision has been made in agreement with English Heritage who care for Kenwood and has cancelled all its events at all of its sites.

Thanks to the support and understanding of the festival's contributors, the festival programme is going to be one of the best yet. Featuring over 200 speakers and performers, Peter Singer, Sophie Fiennes, Donald Hoffman, Guy Standing, Hannah Critchlow and David Aaronovitch are all set to grace the HowTheLightGetsIn stages along with music from 2022 Mercury nominee **Gwenno** and previous Mercury Nominee **Django Django**.

As philosopher and founder of the festival **Hilary Lawson** says, "*Despite the sad passing of the queen and our decision to postpone the festival in light of this, our event promises to be bigger and better than ever before and we can't wait to welcome our festival audience to Kenwood House on 1-2<sup>nd</sup> October for what is going to be an unforgettable weekend.*"

Boasting over 200 speakers and performers, 110 events and 9 stages, the festival attracts internationally respected thinkers from all fields and a spectacular medley of musicians, performers and artists. The festival will also stream certain events online for festivalgoers who can't make it in person, with all events gradually released on the festival's online platform IAI.TV.

Following the theme **Error and Renaissance**, the world-leading speakers attending HowTheLightGetsIn will set their sights on one goal: to identify the fundamental errors that we have made in our theories, the organisation of society and in world affairs - all while looking to new forms of thought and action to rebuild afresh.

From Nobel Laureates to Pulitzer Prize winners, HowTheLightGetsIn is home to thinkers changing the world. Headliners include the godfather of altruism **Peter Singer**, radical philosophy director **Sophie Fiennes**, groundbreaking reality theorist **Donald Hoffman** and revolutionary economist **Guy Standing**, with a full speaker list [here](#).

Debate is the beating heart of HowTheLightGetsIn, where international philosophers at the top of their fields lock horns with influential politicians, scientists and cultural figures to discuss the big issues of today. Singular for its combination of critical thinking with award-winning music and comedy performances, HowTheLightGetsIn Hay 2022 offers a weekend of intellectual discovery set against the backdrop of electrifying performances and late-night parties.

HowTheLightGetsIn is alive with ideas in every field of endeavour. With discussions designed to challenge the status quo and speakers meticulously selected for their pioneering achievements and singular approach to their fields, expect topics such as '**The Key to Consciousness**', '**The Fantasies of the West**', '**After Happily Ever After**', '**The Theory to End all Theories**', and '**A World by any other Name**'.

Beyond the spirited debates festival-goers can expect an abundance of other experiences to enrich the day. Whether it's illuminating solo talks, educational Academy courses or intimate dinner events in the Inner Circle, the festival is an exclusive opportunity to meet the speakers in a casual setting and discuss the most pressing issues facing society with like-minded people.

Tickets for the full festival are [selling out soon](#). Students and under 25s are eligible for a 30% discount. For details please visit <https://howthelightgetsin.org/festivals/london>