

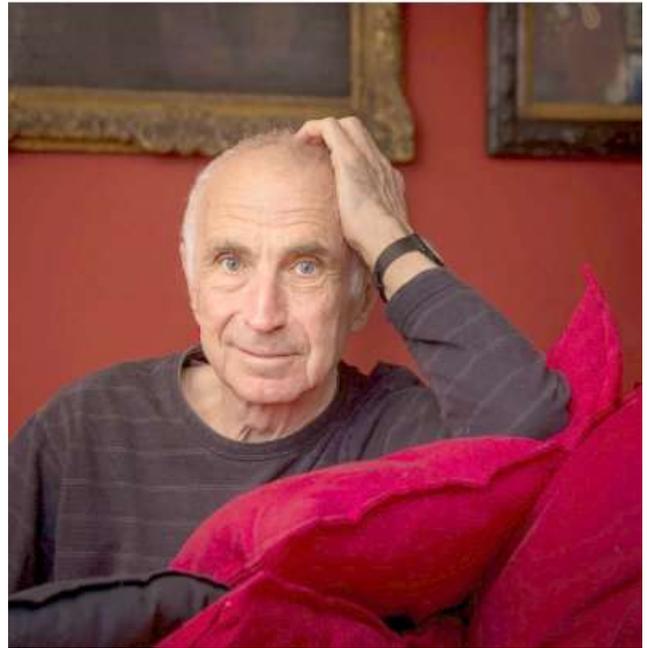
**Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2025 at 10.30am**  
Reardon Smith Lecture Theatre, NMW, Cathays Park, Cardiff

**Peter Lord, Art Historian and Curator**  
will give a talk entitled  
**“No such thing as Welsh Art”: Exploring the Myth**

There is currently a new exhibition at the National Library of Wales, Aberystwyth curated by Peter Lord entitled **‘No such thing as Welsh Art’: Exploring the Myth.**

Peter has included 150 of his own collection of paintings by Welsh artists in the new exhibition and with additions from the National Library they form a substantial collection of Welsh visual art which form the basis of the current exhibition. The beautifully illustrated volume *The Tradition: A New History of Welsh Art* provides the historical background.

Peter Lord took a degree in Fine Art at Reading University in 1979, specialising in sculpture. He worked for fifteen years making small scale studio sculpture and large public art projects. In 1986 he turned to writing about Welsh art history in both Welsh and English languages. He has broadcast on television and radio, lectured at among other institutions the Yale Center for British Art in the United States and has curated many exhibitions.



**Peter Lord**

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Since the 1980s Peter Lord, has been challenging a statement made by Llewellyn Wyn Griffith which claimed there was no such thing as Welsh Art. He was determined to prove Griffith wrong. He has discovered, recorded and collected work of Welsh artists and is exhibiting them to prove his point. He has certainly explored the myth and told the story in the exhibition he has just curated.

**A date for your diary: Wednesday August 6<sup>th</sup>. We are organising a day’s visit to the National Library Aberystwyth to see the Exhibition and Peter will be there to guide us. Details will follow in the next Newsletter and will be on the Friends’ website. This will be a separate event but will certainly illustrate in reality the initial talk that Peter has kindly agreed to give us.**

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The fee of £10 for the talk followed by coffee and biscuits in the Oriel Suite may be paid on the day as follows:

- Cash – notes preferred
- Cheques payable to: Friends Museum Wales
- **OR** Pay prior to the event by BACS: Acct. name Friends National Museum Wales

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**Please email me to tell me you will be attending the talk as this may be a very popular one:**

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