

Mineral Deposits Studies Group 2020

Joining Instructions

Below are joining instructions for attending the forthcoming MDSG conference at the Natural History Museum in London from 6–8 January 2020.

SILLITOE WORKSHOP - MONDAY 6TH JANUARY

Those who have secured a place on the pre-conference Sillitoe Porphyry Workshop should arrive at the Earth Galleries entrance to the NHM on Exhibition Road for 09.30 am. Enter via the Departmental visitor entrance and you will be allowed through into the Earth Galleries foyer to pick up your conference badge. From there you will be guided to the workshop venue which is the Attenborough Studio, located in Darwin Centre north, on the west side of the museum.

Workshop Schedule:

09.30-10.00 arrival and coffee/tea
10.00-12.30 morning session
12.30-13.30 lunch
13.30-15.30 afternoon session 1
15.30-15.50 coffee/tea break
15.50-17.50 afternoon session 2

REGISTRATION AND ICE-BREAKER RECEPTION - SPONSORED BY SRK CONSULTING - MONDAY 6TH JANUARY

The ice-breaker reception will be held from 18.00-20.15 in the Spirit Gallery, Darwin Centre north. Entry will be from the Queensgate entrance ONLY on the west side of the NHM (see map). All other public and visitor entrances will be closed. Workshop delegates can move directly from the Attenborough Studio to the adjacent Spirit Gallery at the end of the workshop. Delegates will be able to register and pick up their conference badges, which will be required for entry to the museum for the main conference sessions.

To avoid single-use plastics, we are providing specially engraved conference glassware sponsored by LODE and the Natural History Museum that will be used for the ice-breaker and for the poster session refreshments. Please keep a hold of your glass if you would like it refilled during the ice-breaker! All glasses are to be returned to the collection trays on exiting the museum and they will be washed ready for the next day. At the end of the conference, all delegates will be able to take home their own conference memento. We are extremely grateful to Sambrook's Brewery for providing heavily discounted beer and William Grant & Sons for generously supplying the gin for the event.

For those wishing to convene at a local hostelry after the ice-breaker, we have reserved the RSM Bar in Beit Quad, Imperial College, on the north side of Prince Consort Road, approximately 5 minutes' walk from the Queensgate entrance to the museum, from 20.30 (see map).

MAIN CONFERENCE - TUESDAY 7TH AND WEDNESDAY 8TH JANUARY

Entry to the museum will be possible from 08.00 on both conference days, via the Earth Galleries entrance to the NHM on Exhibition Road. Enter via the Departmental visitor entrance and you will be allowed through to the Earth Galleries foyer. Follow the signs up three flights of stairs to the Flett Lecture Theatre foyer where pre-conference coffee will be available for early arrivals. Local guides will be available to assist. Delegates who have not yet registered will be able to pick up their conference programme and badge from the registration desk in the Flett foyer. The conference

welcome and housekeeping information will be presented in the Flett Lecture Theatre at 08.50 on the first day.

POSTER SESSION - SPONSORED BY RIO TINTO

The main poster session will be held from 17.00-18.30 on Tuesday 7th January, prior to the conference dinner. Refreshments will be served from 17.00 in the Flett Foyer and in Room PA135 downstairs from the Flett foyer where the main poster displays will be located. Mocktails, cocktails, and canapés will be served by caterer, La Freshco, in the Flett Foyer from 17.30.

CONFERENCE DINNER - SPONSORED BY BHP, FIRST QUANTUM MINERALS, OLYMPUS, TESCAN AND ZEISS

Thanks to generous sponsorship, we are delighted to have secured the Earth Hall in the Earth Galleries of the NHM for the 2020 conference dinner, to be served by La Freshco. To enjoy the mineral displays, the world's most complete stegosaurus specimen and the ambience of the Earth Hall, delegates will be allowed to move downstairs from the Flett Foyer to the Earth Hall from 18.30. Seating will be at 19.00 with starters served from 19.15. There will be a short break from 20.00-20.30 while the main course is prepared.

INFORMATION FOR POSTER PRESENTERS

A reminder that all posters need to be in A0 portrait format. Posters should be put up between 08.00-08.50 on Tuesday 7th Jan, or in the first coffee break. Sticky velcro will be provided. All posters will be numbered, so please find the appropriate board according to the poster list in the conference programme. Posters will be displayed at one end of the Flett Foyer and in Room PA135 which is located downstairs underneath the Flett Theatre, accessed by the staircase in the Flett Foyer. The main poster session will be held from 17.00-18.30 on Tuesday 7th January and you will be expected to be standing by your poster during this period. It is also recommended that you attend your poster during the refreshments and lunch breaks.

REMINDER FOR SPEAKERS

All normal talks are 15-17 minutes plus questions and Chairs will be asked to keep speakers strictly to time, so please prepare your talk appropriately. Talks should be compatible with Powerpoint 16 in pptx format for PC and need to be uploaded from memory stick no later than the break prior to the session in which you are presenting. No individual laptops will be permitted. We recommend 16:9 wide format for presentations, although 4:3 can be used. To avoid formatting issues, either use standard fonts or embed fonts in your presentation.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO WELCOMING YOU ALL TO THE NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM FOR MDSG 2020 IN JANUARY!



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Tube station



Abundant restaurants



Bus stop

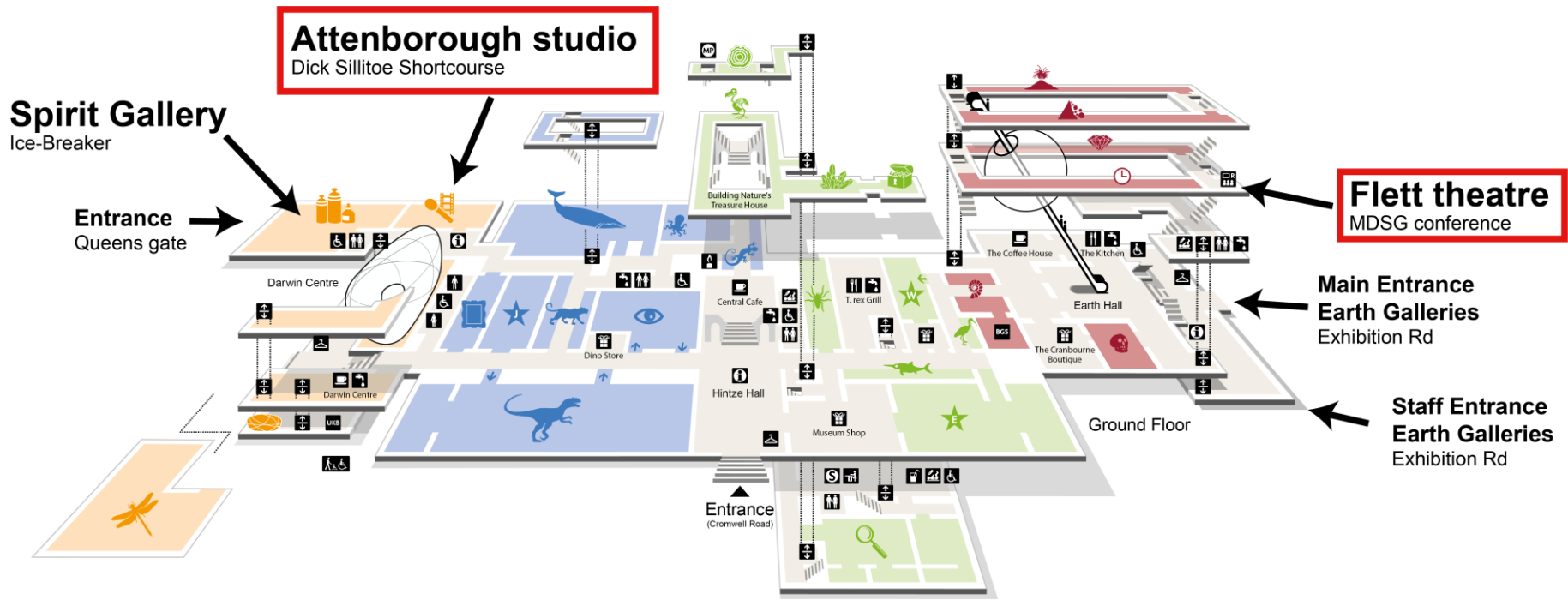


Pub suggestions



Suggested route to the Earth Galleries Entrance (approx. 5 min)

Map of South Kensington Area



- Facilities**
- Information and tickets
 - Toilets
 - Accessible toilets
 - Baby care room
 - Cloakroom
 - Shops
 - Restaurants
 - Cafes
 - Snack Bar
 - Water bottle refill point
 - Lifts
 - Picnic Area
 - School Reception
 - The Anning Rooms for Members and Patrons
 - Flett Events Theatre
 - Faith Room
 - Centre for UK Biodiversity
 - British Geological Survey and shop

- Galleries**
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| <p>Orange Zone</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attenborough Studio Cocoon (entrance) Wildlife Garden (entrance outside) Zoology spirit building | <p>Blue Zone</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dinosaurs Fishes, Amphibians & Reptiles Human Biology Images of Nature Jerwood Gallery Mammals Mammals (blue whale) Marine Invertebrates | <p>Green Zone</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Birds Creepy Crawlies East Pavilion Fossil Marine Reptiles Giant Sequoia Investigate Centre Minerals Treasures (Cadogan Gallery) The Vault Waterhouse Gallery | <p>Red Zone</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Earth's Treasury From the Beginning Human Evolution Lasting Impressions Volcanoes & Earthquakes Restless Surface |
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Map of Museum