

Octavia Hill

born 1838

The founder of modern social work through her tireless work to alleviate poverty from the age of 14, Octavia pioneered affordable housing, campaigned for open space, and

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LOCAL HISTORY WALKS

Learn about the history of your local area wth a series of classroom lectures on the local area, followed by a guided walk in the afternoon.

Extraordinary Women of Southwark

Course code: UHW005A/ UHW006A Thursday 6 March and Saturday 8 March, 10:00-16:00 £40, £25(c), £30(senior fee)

To celebrate International Women's Day investigate the lives of women who played an important role in shaping the social landscape of Bankside in education, housing, the arts and sports. Learn about the lives of women who lived and worked in the area as Winchester Geese, in the leather and hat making industries and more recently in the factories around Bermondsey and Southwark.

Hovels to Highrises - History of Housing

Course code:UHW007A/ UHW008A Thursday 20 March and Saturday 22 March, 10:00-16:00 £40, £25(c), £30(senior fee)

The growth of Victorian London far exceeded its ability to look after the needs of its citizens and conditions for the many poorer families were overcrowded and insanitary. Octavia Hill, George Peabody and the LCC all made their mark in this area and close to Morley there are examples of cottage developments and large estates built in an attempt to cope with the crisis as well as contemporary buildings to explore and contrast. Find out about the background to housing improvements and read some documents from the time then see some of the changes which have taken place in the area.

*All walks will be undertaken in partnership with Walk London With Us.

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