



NEW VENUE AND DATES ANNOUNCED FOR THE 55TH LONDON INTERNATIONAL ANTIQUARIAN BOOK FAIR.

The dates for The 55th London International Antiquarian Book Fair have been announced and for the first time, the fair will take place in May (**Thursday May 24, Friday May 25 & Saturday May 26, 2012**).

Organised by the ABA (the Antiquarian Booksellers' Association), the Fair will move to a new location - the larger National Hall at Olympia (London W14) with all stands on one level. This move follows on from the success of the 2011 Fair, which saw more stand space sold than ever before and it became evident that the Fair had finally out-grown Olympia 2.

The Fair has a new Chairman – Brian Lake of Jarndyce Antiquarian Booksellers (Great Russell Street, London). He commented: “Applications to exhibit at the World's Premier Book Fair are already flooding in from booksellers around the globe and this is an early indicator that 2012 will be a truly international fair. Among new exhibitors are dealers from Sweden, France and Germany but also one bookseller from Australia, Richard Neylon. There has also been a good take-up of Graphics stands as for the first time in many years we don't clash with Map Fair.”

“We are very pleased about the new location, which will make the 2012 the biggest and best yet; more exhibitors, more books, maps, prints, ephemera & manuscripts in a bigger and better hall providing more space on stands, wider aisles, with ample space to sit and relax in three different cafés. We are delighted that the ABA's partner will be the **National Trust**, which will be promoting the many important libraries, containing over 2 million books, under its management.”

A detailed and searchable list of exhibitors at the 2012 Fair will be uploaded mid-January.

Full details of opening hours, location, and travel to Olympia can be found on
www.olympiabookfair.com
Tickets to the Fair are free if you register in advance, or may be purchased on the
door for £10 each, £15 for two.

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