



## **Furniture Masterclass Study Days at Paxton House**

**Thurs 10th – Sat 12th November 2016**

**Led by David Jones, Furniture Historian**

**Three consecutive masterclass study days will analyse the exceptional furniture collections at Paxton House, Berwickshire, a major Chippendale house, which is also home to the best group of documented William Trotter pieces in Scotland. Areas such as furniture type, technical construction, ornament and timber finishes will be covered in detail with hands-on analysis and examination of transcribed invoices and archives.**

### **Day 1 (10th Nov)**

#### **Thomas Chippendale the Elder**

Detailed study of one of the largest collections of furniture by Thomas Chippendale the Elder anywhere in the U.K. The repertoire of over one hundred items executed in a uniquely restrained manner for owner Ninian Home, using the best quality Jamaican mahogany, established what has become known as 'the Paxton Style'.

### **Day 2 (11th Nov)**

#### **Thomas Chippendale the Younger**

Analysis of the little-known suites of furniture provided by Thomas Chippendale Junior for both Paxton and the Home family's town house in Gower Street, London, between 1779-91. Chippendale the Younger collaborated with his father and the firm's business partners to create a large number of pieces that represent an intriguing transition between the generations, before launching his own particular brand of French-inspired neoclassicism at Paxton.

### **Day 3 (12th Nov)**

#### **William Trotter**

A day immersed in the Greek Revival and 'Scotch Empire' style collection of rosewood furniture that populates the library and picture gallery extension built between 1812-13 for George Home of Paxton by Robert Reid, King's Architect & Surveyor in Scotland. The outstanding cabinet maker William Trotter (1772-1833) developed a style informed by Greek and Roman detail and enhanced by French forms that were inspired by the presence of the Comte d'Artois court residence at Holyrood between 1796-1815 and 1830-2.

**How to Book:** The Masterclasses will run from 9.30am to 4.30pm. Each day will cost £65 per person, including lunch and all refreshments. A discounted price of £170 will apply if all 3 masterclasses are booked in advance. Payment in full is required at the time of booking. Cancellations will receive a full refund if made up to 2 weeks prior to the event, otherwise we are sorry, but we cannot refund the cost of the ticket. **For further details please see: [www.paxtonhouse.co.uk/events](http://www.paxtonhouse.co.uk/events)**  
**Accommodation is available on a first come, first served basis within Paxton's grounds at the South Lodge and Garden Apartment, see: <http://www.unique-cottages.co.uk> (and search under Paxton).**

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*Paxton House is one of the finest Palladian Houses in Britain. It contains the pre-eminent Scottish collection of Chippendale furniture and is a partner gallery of the National Galleries of Scotland.*

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