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### Runciman Award Ceremony 2023

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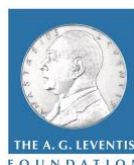
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Keynote speech by Prof. Dame Mary Beard

*How do we best argue for Classics?*

**Monday 19 June 2023, 7pm**

**Great Hall, King's College London, The Strand, London WC2R 2LS  
and online on Zoom**



We are delighted to invite you to attend **The Anglo-Hellenic League Runciman Award Ceremony 2023**, under the joint sponsorship of the Athanasios C. Laskaridis Charitable Foundation and the A. G. Leventis Foundation.

Since 1986, the Award has rewarded annually the best book or books published the previous year in English about some aspect of Greece. The Award this year goes to the best book(s) published in 2022.

You are warmly invited to join us at our award ceremony, at which our chair of judges, Prof. Peter Frankopan, will announce the winner. The winner will attend the event and speak about the winning book. The keynote speech will be given by Prof. Dame Mary Beard on: 'How do we best argue for Classics?' The event will be introduced and chaired by Dr John Kittmer, chair of the Council of the League. A reception will follow.

*Because of the attendance at our event of a VIP, we ask that all guests take their places in the Great Hall of King's College London **no later than 6.45pm**.*

It is also possible to watch the event live online by Zoom.

You can find out more details about this year's competition, including the long list and short list, on our website: [www.runcimanaward.org](http://www.runcimanaward.org).

Mary Beard, Cambridge Emerita Professor and Fellow of Newnham College, is one of Britain's best-known Classicists. She has written numerous books including the Wolfson Prize-winning *Pompeii: The*



*Life of a Roman Town*; the best-selling *SPQR: A History of Ancient Rome*; the thought-provoking *Women & Power*; and most recently *Twelve Caesars – Images of Power from the Ancient World to the Modern*. Her books are translated in numerous languages and she regularly gives lectures and talks at institutions and events across the globe. In addition Mary has presented highly-acclaimed television documentaries, including *Meet the Romans* and *Rome – Empire without Limit*, hosted the BBC arts show *Inside Culture*, and is a regular media commentator. Mary was co-presenter of the BBC landmark series, *Civilisations*, for which she wrote an accompanying book. She is also Classics Editor of the *Times Literary Supplement* and writes an engaging blog, *A Don's Life*. Made an OBE in 2013 for services to Classical scholarship, Mary was further made a Dame in 2018. Other accolades and roles include Royal Academy Professor of Ancient Literature, Fellow of the British Academy, recipient of the J.Paul Getty Medal and

Trustee of the British Museum. Mary's forthcoming book in the Autumn, will delve into the world of the Roman emperor.

To reserve your place(s) in the Great Hall at King's College London, please register at:  
<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/runciman-award-ceremony-tickets-595673163467>.

To watch online, please register at:  
[https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_bW3vbduDR0GmP26RituhNw](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_bW3vbduDR0GmP26RituhNw).

A recording of the event will be posted live on our YouTube channel in the days after the ceremony:  
see <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCaG7xSWWgir85b4ptgL5gSw>.

Council of the League  
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