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**Dedo von Kerssenbrock-Krosigk**  
**'Matters of Ambivalence: Aspects of glass in**  
**Ancient Rome and the Middle Ages'**

Thursday 27th June 2019

*Robert Charleston Memorial talk*

The Art Workers' Guild, 6 Queen Square, London WC1N 3AT



*Large beaker, Roman Empire, Syria(?), 1st century AD, H 20.7 cm, Kunstpalast, Düsseldorf, Glasmuseum Hentrich (P 1966-329).*

The problem with glass seems obvious: On the one hand it is a shining, beautiful and precious material, and on the other hand it can break very easily. It is a material that triggers opposing feelings of admiration and fear. In presenting a small number of Roman and Medieval written sources, further aspects of the ambivalence of glass will be shown, which offer a richer image of the meaning of this material in the respective periods.

Dr Dedo von Kerssenbrock-Krosigk is Head of the Glasmuseum Hentrich, Düsseldorf Kunstpalast Museum; he was Curator of European glass at The Corning Museum of Glass from 2004–2008.

**Meeting Place: The Art Workers' Guild, 6 Queen Square, London WC1N** (Gradidge Room, first floor – please give notice if you need help with mobility)

**Time:** The lecture will start promptly at **19.15**.

Coffee and light refreshments are provided from 18.30 (please inform of any dietary intolerances). The meeting will finish by 21.00.

**Co-Hosts:** *Please consider volunteering to be a co-host, we need at least 4 to cover the cost of refreshments for every meeting (@ £20 each).*

**Please confirm attendance by contacting Anne Lutyens-Stobbs, Meetings Organiser, either by post at 8 Millers Croft, Gt Baddow, Chelmsford, CM2 8JL; telephone (01245) 604518; or email: [annelh60@hotmail.com](mailto:annelh60@hotmail.com) indicating**

- the talk you wish to attend;
- the number of people coming.

Payment per person: £10.00 Members; £15.00 Guests, either by cash on the night, or by cheque payable to *The Glass Circle*.

Please confirm with reservation if paying in advance directly into the Circle's account: number 00369972; sort code 30-91-49.

**Next Meetings:** AGM Saturday 12 October (tbc); Tuesday 12 November

Queen Square lies between Southampton Row and Gt. Ormond St. It can be reached by Underground using either Russell Sq. (Piccadilly) or Holborn (Piccadilly and Central). Buses 68, 91, 168 and 188 run along Southampton Row and 19, 38, 55 and 505 along Theobald's Rd. Access by car is one-way only: take the first turning to the left off Theobald's Rd (after the junction with Southampton Row) into Old Gloucester St which continues into Queen Sq. The Artworkers' Guild is half way along on the left. The congestion charge finishes at 6.00. Cars may readily be parked in the square after 6.30 free of charge.