Celebrating 50 Forum

SELWYN



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7 NOVEMBER 2026

Map



Quarry Whitehouse Auditorium (QWA)

The Diamond

Selwyn Bar

Information

Moving between panels: There will be a 10-minute break between panels, giving you time to move between venues if you wish (the Diamond and the QWA are located on either side of Grange Road).

Photographs: We will be taking photos throughout the day. Please let a member of staff know if you would rather not appear.

Selwyn Bar: In Old Court, open 11am-3pm and 6pm-11pm.

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Schedule

	Quarry Whitehouse Auditorium	The Diamond
1.45pm	**Welcome**	**Welcome**
2.00pm	**Advancing Knowledge** Why challenging questions matter in science, humanities, human health and education.	**Achieving in Sport** What do leadership, athleticism and journalism look like behind the scenes?
3.10pm	**Upholding the Law** Discover how the law upholds transparency in business, government, foreign investment and privacy.	**Influencing Policy** Learn how the people who guide decisions make change safe and sustainable.
4.20pm	**Creating Culture** Find out what it takes to build a career in theatre, fashion, music or art.	**Leading Business** Explore how business shapes our everyday lives from finance and recruitment to health and climate.
5.30pm	**Networking Drinks in the Quarry Whitehouse Auditorium**	

2.00pm Panellists

ADVANCING KNOWLEDGE - QWA

CHAIR



Prof Anna Philpott

Anna (SE 1985, Natural Sciences) is the Pro-Vice-Chancellor for Resources & Operations at Cambridge.



Dr Angela McNelly

Angela (SE 1976, Natural Sciences) is a former Research Fellow at Queen Mary University of London.



Prof Juliet John

Juliet (SE 1985, English) is the Vice President (Education) at City St George's, University of London.



Prof Claire Warwick

Claire (SE 1986, Classics, English) is the Professor of Digital Humanities at Durham University.



Katherine Mathieson

Katherine (SE 1993, Natural Sciences) is the Director of the Royal Institution.

ACHIEVING IN SPORT - DIAMOND

CHAIR



Jennifer Phillips

Jennifer is Selwyn's Bursar. She coxed the Cambridge women's Blue Boat that beat Oxford in 1999.



Sophie Sellars

Sophie (SE 2008, History) is a Director at Deloitte's M&A practice. She competes in Ironman and is a GB Age Group Team Triathlete.



Chloë Allison

Chloë (SE 2012, Music) is Marylebone Cricket Club Women's Team captain. She also captained the University Cricket Club.



Sophie Penney

Sophie (SE 2013, MML) is a sports journalist and an award-winning Senior Podcast Producer at Global.

3.10pm Panellists

UPHOLDING THE LAW - QWA

CHAIR



Prof Janet O'Sullivan

Janet is Professor of Private Law at Cambridge and has been a Selwyn Fellow since 1994.

Judge Kelly Bond

Kelly (SE 2002, Law) is a District Judge of the Business and Property Courts.

Amy Perkins

Amy (SE 2005, Law) works as a barrister and as Counsel at the Office of Parliamentary Counsel.



Fiona Campbell-Hynes

Fiona (SE 2006, Classics) is Global Privacy Counsel at Informa PLC. She specialises in data protection and privacy law.



Aoife Monaghan

Aoife (SE 2009, Law) works as Antitrust and Foreign Investment Counsel at Linklaters LLP.

INFLUENCING POLICY - DIAMOND

CHAIR



Suzanne Raine MBE

Suzanne is the Master. She worked in the Foreign Office and is an Independent Non-Executive at EY.

Ruth Merrifield

Ruth (SE 1990, Social & Political Sciences) is Policy Officer for the Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office.



Mary Clegg

Mary (SE 1994, History) is the former Green Party CEO. She spent 20 years in health service as Managing Director of NHS Hounslow.



Dr Hannah White OBE

Hannah (SE 1997, Geography) is the CEO of the Institute for Government, one of the UK's most high-profile think tanks.



Sophie Bracken MBE

Sophie (SE 2011, Economics) is the debt strategy lead at the Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office.

4.20pm Panellists

CREATING CULTURE - QWA

CHAIR



Dr Jess Gardner

Jess holds a PhD in English Literature from Leeds and is Cambridge University's Librarian.



Uzma Hameed

Uzma (SE 1986, MML) is a British writer, director and dramaturg.



Celia Joicey

Celia (SE 1990, History) is the Director of Dovecot Studios, formerly the Head of the Fashion and Textile Museum.



Emma Gait

Emma (SE 2010, Music) is Head of Artistic Planning for the BBC Symphony Orchestra and Chorus.



Erin-Atlanta Argun

Erin-Atlanta (SE 2018, History of Art) works for ArtReview and is known for her "Excuse Me" interviews on Instagram.

LEADING BUSINESS - DIAMOND

CHAIR



Prof Lynn Dicks

Lynn is Professor of Ecology at Cambridge and Selwyn Fellow of Zoology, Plant Sciences, Ecology & Conservation Science.



Julia Fordham

Julia (SE 1984, Classics) is an experienced corporate treasurer and finance professional.



Anna McAndrew

Anna (SE 1988, Economics) is Managing Director & Global Chief Operating Officer of HSBC Markets and Securities Services Operations.



Kerry Shepherd

Kerry (SE 1991, MML) is Founder of Minverva, a recruitment firm serving clients across education, development, and arts and charity sectors.



Akta Raja

Akta (SE 1996, Law) is an investor and adviser in health and climate business.

Kathleen Lyttelton Fund

Kathleen Lyttelton was a writer of fiction and non-fiction, a translator, and campaigner for women's suffrage. She was also the first editor to commission Virginia Woolf.



In 1882, she moved into A staircase with her husband Arthur, Selwyn's first Master, and their daughter, Margaret. Over the next 11 years the Lyttletons made their home a welcoming place. They helped develop the Music Society and the Selwyn Boat Club, whose colours she chose.

Kathleen was a pioneering advocate for education and widening access to new ideas and opportunities. With her close friend Louise Creighton, she formed the Cambridge Ladies' Dining Society, which campaigned for Cambridge to grant women degrees.

Women were shaping Selwyn long before they were admitted as students and Fellows. As we celebrate 50 years of co-education, we are proud to launch the Kathleen Lyttelton Fund in her name, supporting teaching in the arts, humanities and social sciences.

Find out more on our website:
www.sel.cam.ac.uk/kathleen-lyttelton-fund

Use the QR code to read more about our panellists

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