Science and technology in 1890

Locations	Large Lecture Theatre, Poynting Building
Date(s)	Saturday 9th November 2013 (18:30-19:30)
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Roll up roll up!

A re-enactment of how science and technology were presented to audiences around 1890.

What futuristic marvels amused the Victorians?
We bring you the phonograph, magic lantern, animated photographs, and chemical and electrical experiments from over a century ago.
How have attitudes to innovation and the future changed since then? Our compere prepares the audience for a journey back in time to a science show in 1898. Professor Marmaduke Salt will first of all discourse upon the Electric Spark. This is followed by a phonograph demonstration by Mr George Wells, accompanying his Magic Lantern Lecture on "Ancient Music". Miss Ann Veronica Stanley introduces the marvelous Animated Photographs. Professor Salt and his able assistant Mr. Selwyn demonstrate wireless telegraphy, and the show concludes with Mr. Selwyn's warnings about the proper use of gases, accompanied by a shocking demonstration. We invite the audience to stay and discuss Victorian visions of the future, and how their approach compares to aspirations about science and technology today. With Aileen Fyfe, Iwan Morus, Tim Cockerill and Melanie Keene.
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