

Before The Mugshot: Mid-Victorian Asylum Photography

An evening talk by
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Museum

7.30pm Thursday 17 September 2009



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This talk will focus on the extraordinary photographs taken by Henry Hering in the late 1850s of patients at Bethlem Royal Hospital in Southwark. It will explore the use to which photography was put in the development of Victorian mental health treatment at hospitals such as Bethlem (as well as Springfield in Surrey) and attempt to place asylum photography in the context of mainstream photographic portraiture.

Tickets £3. There are a limited number of places.

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