



## **SPEAKER INFORMATION**

# **KEN DRAKE**

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<i>Lecture Titles</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Around Financial Centre of the City of London</li><li>• Covent Garden (area not theatre)</li><li>• Fleet Street North</li><li>• Fleet Street South</li><li>• Holborn</li><li>• Liverpool Street to Thames</li><li>• Piccadilly Circus to St James's Palace</li><li>• South East from Liverpool Street</li><li>• St James' Jermyn Street</li><li>• St James' Street</li><li>• Thames to Liverpool Street</li><li>• Trafalgar Square</li><li>• West of St Paul's Cathedral</li><li>• Pictures and Music – 300 pictures to over a dozen pieces of very varied music. There are two different presentations, each lasting about an hour. They are ideal for a Christmas Party or similar social occasion. The original one was so popular, we showed it over a dozen times, that we produced a second one.</li></ul>		
<i>Lecture Cost</i>	£40 in Cambridge, £45 nearby villages £50 outer villages and towns. The money should be in cash or a cheque made payable to me and I then donate it to a charity and am able to gift aid it thereby adding 28% to its value. I am currently donating my fees to Cam-mind which does so much for those suffering with mental health problems in Cambridge.		



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<i>Travelling Distance</i>	20 miles each way	<i>Travel Expenses</i>	included
<i>Availability</i>	Booking in advance is recommended		
<i>Equipment Needed</i>	I provide all my own equipment so all I need is electricity and a room that can be blacked out to enable the photographs to be fully appreciated.		
<i>Add-information:</i>	<p>Some of these London talks last well over an hour and usually fill the programmes for two evenings. In many cases I have returned much later to the same group to give them part 2 of whatever they had chosen.</p> <p>I try to involve the audience by asking questions as I go along so that the presentation is not too much of a monologue. As the room is usually blacked out and I speak from the back of the hall I cannot see who is answering so if they get it wrong it does not matter.</p> <p>I have been giving these talks for some 25 years, originally in Grimsby and for the last 15 years in the Cambridge region where I have given 150 talks. The talks contain a considerable amount of historic content and the aim is to draw attention to odd and unusual aspects of the area. I have been a regular speaker for the Duxford Local History Group since 2002 and have spoken to them nine times on different areas of London. Another group has heard me 15 times.</p> <p>My audiences have included many retired groups, Townswomen's Guilds, Village Societies, Church Groups, Services Societies, Mens Clubs, Womens Clubs, WEA, Probus, Tangent and Rotary Clubs.</p> <p>Comments by South Cambridge Rotary Club from their website</p> <p>In the time available Ken restricted his presentation to a detailed historical journey from outside Liverpool Street Station down Houndsditch to Aldgate including fascinating detail of St Botolph Church. His superbly illustrated talk really brought this ancient part of London to historical life over the period pre1200 to recent events.</p>		