

“JOHN HENRY DEARLE: MORRIS’S PUPIL, PARTNER &  
SUCCESSOR”

a Lecture by **Fiona Rose**



If you think that this iconic Golden Lily pattern from Morris & Co. was designed by William Morris then think again. (V&A image) Along with many other popular designs - such as Seaweed, Blackthorn and Compton - Golden Lily was designed by John Henry Dearle (1859-1932) Morris’s pupil, partner, and successor who gave 54 years of loyal service to the firm. Dearle designed over 30 patterns for wallpaper and 40 for textiles. In the late 1880s he was entrusted as principal advisor to the firm’s customers and as Chief Designer. Despite being a talented artist, and pivotal to the success of the company, Dearle, until recently, was a somewhat neglected figure often lost in the shadow of his illustrious mentor. This illustrated talk explores his life, talents, beautiful designs and considerable achievements at Morris & Company.

**Fiona Rose** has been lecturing about topics she feels passionately about since 2010. She is a lecturer for the Arts Society and a member of the Museum Collections Committee at The William Morris Society where she served as a Trustee. In 2023 she assisted the Society with the mounting of their landmark exhibition *Morris’s Successor* about the work of John Henry Dearle.

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