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Robert Plot's
**THE NATURAL HISTORY OF
OXFORDSHIRE**

Saturday
13th November
2-5pm

An exploration of Robert Plot's '*Natural History of Oxfordshire*' published in 1677 - a fascinating collection of facts and anecdotes about the county.

A series of talks by experts from Oxfordshire compares Plot's record with what is known and what survives today.

Admission free

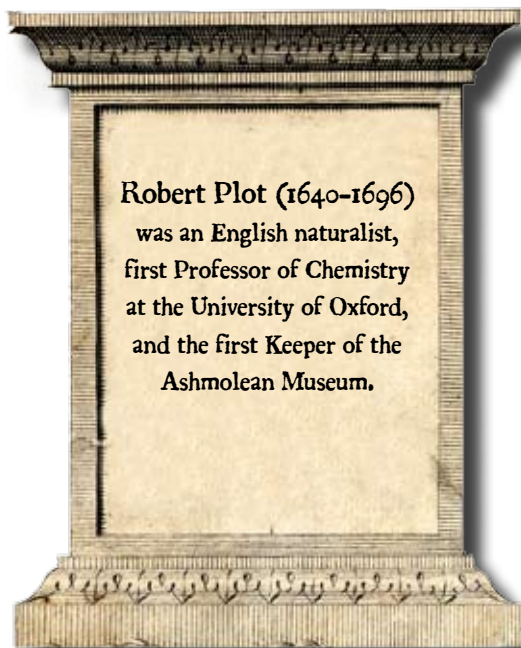
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Who was Plot?

- 2.00pm **Introduction**
- 2.05pm **Plot and the Big Bone**
Philip Powell,
(Oxford University Museum of Natural History)
- 2.25pm **The Wells at Enstone and the Woodstock Echo**
Julian Munby (Oxford Archaeology),
- 2.50pm **"That Great Virtuoso":
Sir Anthony Cope of Hanwell (d. 1675)**
Dr Rowena E Archer and Christopher Taylor
(Hanwell Community Observatory)
- 3.10pm **Plot on John Dwight,
Oxford's Celebrated Potter**
Dinah Reynolds (Ashmolean Museum),
- 3.30pm **The Rollright Stones and
the Devil's Quoits**
George Lambrick (Rollright Trust and Oxfordshire
Architectural and Historical Society),
- 3.55pm **Plot's "Wood-Cracker" and
Oxonian Ornithology**
Dr Andrew G. Gosler (Edward Grey Institute and
Oxford Ornithological Society)
- 4.15pm **Plot and Roman Oxfordshire**
Revd Dr Martin Henig (Osenev Benefice)
- 4.40pm **Customs and Folklore**
Christine Bloxham



Between the talks Robert Plot will read short passages from his *Natural History of Oxfordshire*, 1677.