

# THE DARK SYMPOSIUM

## A G E N D A

1<sup>ST</sup> OCTOBER 2024 6.00PM – 9.00PM

BODMIN JAIL MUSEUM



**6.00PM – 6.30PM**

DRINKS AND NIBBLES RECEPTION

*Welcome drinks and light refreshments  
Networking opportunity for attendees*

**6.30PM – 7.00PM**

INTRODUCTION

**Jess Marilton** – *Host Introduction* | **Dr Natalie Semley** | **Nadine Fisk-Twigg**

*Welcome and opening remarks  
Overview of the collaboration between Falmouth University and Bodmin Jail  
Objectives and expected outcomes of the symposium  
Why Dark Tourism and Cornwall*

**7.00PM – 7.30PM**

KEYNOTE SPEECH  
**Joan Passey**

*The Cornish Gothic*

**7.30PM – 7.45PM**

KEYNOTE SPEECH  
**Prof. Ruth Heholt**

*Everyday Ghosts*

**7.45PM – 8.15PM**

KEYNOTE SPEECH  
**Dr E. Jay Gilbert**

*Ghost Stories and their Afterlives*

**8.15PM – 8.30PM**

KEYNOTE SPEECH  
**Dr David Devanny**

*Content AI and the Gothic in Cornwall*

**8.30PM – 8.45PM**

KEYNOTE SPEECH  
**Dr Donna Poade**

*The Ethics of Dark Tourism. New Directions*

**8.45PM – 9.00PM**

NEXT STEPS AND CLOSING REMARKS

**Dr Natalie Seamly & Nadine Fisk-Twigg** – *Symposium Organisers*

*Summary of key points discussed  
Outline of next steps and future activities related to the collaboration  
Closing remarks and thanks to attendees*

**9.00PM**

EVENT CONCLUSION & FINAL NETWORKING OPPORTUNITY

