

NEWSLETTER

THE MARQUÊS DE POMBAL

The Marquês de Pombal is a historic figure in Portugal who still arouses controversy. Was he a great reformer in the age of enlightenment, who under the tutelage of his royal master D José I, sought to drag his priest ridden and backward country into the eighteenth century? Or was he an anti-religious despot, who enriched himself and his family at the expense of the lives and freedoms of many ordinary Portuguese? Peter Booker attempts an answer to these questions, and tries to justify the cognomen of his royal master, D José O Reformador.



Statue of Pombal
in Lisbon

THE MARQUÊS DE POMBAL

Peter Kingdon Booker

LAGOA - Municipal Library
Tuesday 26 at 6.30 pm

TAVIRA - Municipal Library
Friday 29 at 11 am

CONTEMPORARY DOMESTIC ARCHITECTURE IN THE SOUTH OF PORTUGAL

Ricardo Gordon

TAVIRA - Municipal Library
Saturday 16 July at 6 pm

LITERARY LUNCH
with Marc Gee

TAVIRA GARDEN RESTAURANT
Monday 18 July at 12.30 PM
(please book asap and by 11 July)

CALENDAR FOR AUGUST

Wednesday 3 August 11 am

Municipal Library Tavira

**The Story of the Marranos and the
Jewish Diaspora from Portugal**

by Peter Kingdon Booker

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EVENTS IN JULY

Saturday 16 July, 6 pm Municipal Library, Tavira

Contemporary Domestic Architecture in the South of Portugal talk by *Ricardo Gordon.*

Ricardo Bak Gordon was born in Lisbon in 1967, and in 1990 graduated in Architecture at Lisbon's Technical University. As a student he also attended the Faculty of Architecture of Porto University and the Polytechnic Institute of Milan. As a representative of Portuguese architects, Ricardo Gordon has lectured or been invited as visiting professor at many universities and institutes: the Faculty of Architecture of the Technical University of Lisbon; the Art School of Porto; the Lusíada University; the Autonomous University of Lisbon; the University of Beira Interior; the Higher Institute of Labour and Enterprise of Lisbon; the Polytechnic of Milan; the University Cá Foscari in Venice; the University of Sassari in Sardinia; the University of Salamanca; the College of Architects of Catalonia; the Accademia di Architettura di Mendrisio in the University of Italian speaking Switzerland; the University of Brasilia; and the University of San Francisco de Quito.

He is currently a visiting professor in the Master in Architecture course at the Instituto Superior Técnico, Lisbon, and Visiting Teacher at the Universidad Camilo José Cela, Madrid. His work as an architect has been exhibited in Portugal, Spain, Italy, UK, Germany, the Czech Republic, Mexico, Ecuador, Brazil and Macau and published in prestigious architectural magazines.

Together with Alvaro Siza, Carrilho da Graça and Aires Mateus, he represented Portugal at the Venice Biennale 2010 and he was the architect of Portugal Pavilion at ExpoZaragoza 2008, the Pavilion of Portugal at the São Paulo Biennial 2007 and the first exhibition project of International Architecture Triennale of Lisbon in 2007.

Monday 18 July at 12.30 pm Tavira Garden Restaurant
Literary Lunch with Marc Gee

Screenwriter and novelist Marc Gee will be signing and selling copies of his second book, *Declaration of Guilt*, over drinks at the bar before we enter the restaurant to enjoy a 3 course meal.

During lunch Marc will be talking about his work as a screenwriter and discussing his first novel, the highly acclaimed fast paced crime thriller *Autumn Kill*. He will be telling us about the inspiration for *Declaration of Guilt*, a psychological thriller *with a taut fast paced action that pulsates with energy from the first page (Adele Cosgrove-Bray)*. Marc is the author of 11 stage plays which include *Al's Lads*, *We Three Kings* and *HMS Thetis*. Marc will be giving a workshop on screen writing during his stay in the Algarve.



Calendar of talks

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| LAGOA | TAVIRA |
| 27 SEPTEMBER | 30 SEPTEMBER |
| The Visigoths in Iberia (David Johnson) | |
| 25 OCTOBER | 28 OCTOBER |
| The Princes in the Tower (Nick Lack) | |
| 22 NOVEMBER | 25 NOVEMBER |
| The Restoration of 1640 | |
| 13 DECEMBER | 16 DECEMBER |
| Stories and Myths from Portuguese History | |
| <i>TBA The Bicentenary Celebration of the Battles of Fuentes de Oñoro & Albuera</i> | |

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The Story of the Marranos and the Jewish Diaspora from Portugal



by Peter Kingdon Booker (as part of the initiative TAVIRA ILIMITADA (against racism and xenophobia))