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Dunedin Charitable Trust

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SOME DUNEDIN MONUMENTS

Series 1 2012

Dates: Tuesday, 6 March - Tuesday, 10 April 2012

Time: 10.00 am to 12 noon

Venue: Knox College, Arden St, Opoho

Enrolments for this course will be limited to 50

Course Fee: \$40.00

Tea and Coffee provided

Course Organiser: Rosemary Hudson

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You may apply to enrol in more than one course. If you wish to do so, you must indicate your choice preferences on the application form, and include payment of the appropriate fee(s).

All applications must be received by noon on Wednesday, 8 February 2012, and you may expect to receive a response to your application on or about 17 February.

Any questions about these courses after 17 February should be referred to the Secretary, U3A Dunedin, telephone 471 9913 or on email at <graysinn@clear.net.nz>

Please keep this brochure as a reminder of venue, dates, and times for the courses for which you apply.

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This course will focus on several well known Dunedin memorials. It will be presented on Powerpoint with a number of historical photographs and maps. The intention is to familiarise people who have passed by these monuments many times with the historical context at the time of their being constructed, then explore why a particular architectural style was chosen, controversies about the structures and their subsequent fates.

The course will be presented by Rodney Hamel, a landscape painter and historian with a special interest in Art History.

The Programme

- 6 March** **The Cargill Monument:** Dunedin's memorial to its founding father takes the form of a drinking fountain, now in Customhouse Square but originally situated in the Octagon.
- 13 March** **Doctor Stuart's Memorial:** a remarkable statue to a much admired public figure erected by subscription shortly after his death.
- 20 March** **Various Dunedin Primary School Memorials:** A frequently overlooked collection of memorials not without their share of now almost forgotten controversy.
- 27 March** **The Centennial Memorial on Signal Hill:** Dunedin's forgotten contribution to the New Zealand Centennial of 1940 was the product of a last minute change to plans and an outcome that nearly lost the spirit of the original idea.
- 3 April** **Two Memorials in the Lower Octagon that haven't survived:** These were the monument to Thomas Burns and the 'Star' Fountain that were both seen as unsuitable for their site.
- 10 April** **The recently restored Larnach tomb in the Northern Cemetery:** The final session will concern itself with the reasons behind Gothic revival in architecture and its popularity and have as its focus the recently restored Larnach tomb.