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Echoes of a Vanished World: Robin Hanbury-Tenison

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Exhibition sponsored by:

Robin Hanbury-Tenison, one of the greatest explorers of our time, is a tireless champion of the rights of tribal people and, in the early years of his travels, was an obsessive photographer of their homelands as they were eroded by the modern world. This exhibition at Dimbola Museum and Galleries is a series of photographs and artefacts from Hanbury-Tenison's personal archives which unearth beautiful insights into a vanished world.

Hanbury-Tenison photographed extensively and collected objects from remote tribal people while travelling during the 50s, 60s and 70s. These objects and images were unearthed recently to create the exhibition, many having not been looked at for fifty years.

Robin Hanbury-Tenison, OBE, (76) is a founder and president of Survival International, the world's leading organisation supporting tribal peoples. He has been on over 30 expeditions, including as leader of the Royal Geographical Society's largest expedition, taking 115 scientists to study the rainforests of Sarawak. This research and his book, *Mulu: the Rainforest*, were instrumental in galvanising international concern for tropical rainforests.

Robin's publications, Echoes of a Vanished World: A Traveller's Lifetime in Pictures with an introduction by Joanne Harris and Beauty Freely Given: A Universal Truth, Artefacts from the Collection of Robin Hanbury-Tenison, as well as his new book Modern Explorers, will be available to buy in the Dimbola Museum Shop.

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'Echoes of a Vanished World' Talk at Dimbola

At 6pm on Saturday the 19th of October Robin will be speaking about his exhibition 'Echoes of a Vanished World'.

Tickets are £5 each and the talk will be followed by a reception in the galleries until 8pm. Numbers will be limited so advanced booking is recommended, visit Dimbola or call us on o1983 756814. All proceeds to the Julia Margaret Cameron Trust.

Image captions

Captions for the attached images as follows:

Image 1 (Brazil 1971).jpg: 'Xingu woman feeding parrot the proper way – just like its mother would. Brazil 1971'

Image 2 (Indonesia 1973).jpg: 'Little girl displaying a fabulous necklace including monkey teeth and coins. Indonesia 1973'

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NOTES TO EDITORS

Information on Dimbola Museum and Galleries

The former home of the pioneering Victorian photographer Julia Margaret Cameron now houses the largest public collection in the UK of Cameron's photographs and an historic camera collection. As well as hosting a programme of regularly changing contemporary photography and art exhibitions Dimbola is also home to a permanent display on the history of the Isle of Wight Festival.

For further information, please contact the Exhibitions & Collections Coordinator Rachel Flynn on: 01983 756 814 / rachel.flynn@dimbola.co.uk / www.dimbola.co.uk

Galleries, Museum and Tearooms Open Tuesday to Sunday and Bank Holidays 10am-4pm (November to March) and 7 Days a week from 10am-5pm (April to October)

Main School Holidays we are open daily.

Adults £4, Students £3.50 (with ID), Friends of the JMCT and Children under 16 years FREE

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