



Major General Professor John Pearn AO RFD is a senior medical officer at the Queensland Children's Hospital, Brisbane. In his medical career, he has served as a senior paediatrician based in Children's Hospitals in Brisbane for more than five decades. In his military career he served as the Surgeon General in the Australian Defence Force following operational deployment in Papua New Guinea, Vietnam and Rwanda. He has delivered many orations, including the Sherrington and Meryon Orations at the University of Oxford, and delivered the address in Westminster Abbey on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of Lord Florey's discovery of the clinical use of penicillin. In Australia, he has delivered the Cilento, Bancroft, Sir Lionel McCray, Ashdown, Copeland, John Thomson, Turner-Gibson and Kenneth Jamieson Orations. On this occasion, he will speak on some common words that memorialise great events of the real and legendary past.

Join us for the English-Speaking Union's first Sociocultural event for 2024



Join us at twilight in the historic Miegunyah House Museum.
Our guest speaker is the 2005 Senior Australian of the Year,
Major General, Professor John Pearn AO RFD.

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English Words with Classical Origins

Many of the common words in English describe figures, mythical and real, that form part of our collective heritage. Often taken for granted, they recall - even for the fleeting moment - the richness of our history.

DATE: Friday 23 February 2024

TIME: 6pm to 8pm

VENUE: Miegunyah Historic Museum

35 Jordon Tce, Bowen Hills

DRESS CODE: Smart casual

COST: \$55 members \$60 non-members includes canapés and two drinks (sparkling wine or soft drink)

Email esuevents@esu.org.au if you have any dietary requirements or if ramp access is required.

RSVP: For catering purposes it is essential that your reservation and payment be received by 15 February.

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