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CELEBRATING 70  
YEARS OF ABTAPL

*OXFORD*

*26-28 March 2026*

# Conference Programme

## WEDNESDAY

*Wycliffe Hall, Oxford*

Afternoon Early arrivals check-in

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18:00-19:30 Early arrivals dinner (location TBD;  
Express interest when booking)

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## THURSDAY

*Wycliffe Hall, Oxford*

10:00 - 12:00 Delegate check-in / Committee meeting

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13:00-14:00 Tour of Stephen A. Schwarzman Centre  
for the Humanities Library

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14:30-15:30 Tour of Oxford Centre for Mission  
Studies Library

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17:00-18:00 Drinks reception, Wycliffe Hall

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18:00-19:30 Evening meal, Wycliffe Hall

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19:30-20:30 Short presentation from special guests

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FRIDAY

Wycliffe Hall, Oxford

9:30 Welcome to Wycliffe Hall

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9:45 *Teaching with Special Collections*  
Kirsty Stewart

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10:30 *The challenges and opportunities of integrating  
theological collections*  
Paul Carlyle

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11:15 Refreshments Break

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11:45 - 12:30 *Remote delivery of theological library services  
(online)*  
Mark Stirling

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12:30 - 13:30 Lunch

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FRIDAY

*Wycliffe Hall, Oxford*

13:30 - 14:15      Tour of Wycliffe Hall Library

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14:15 - 15:00      Helen Rimmer

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15:00 - 15:30      Refreshments Break

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15:30 - 16:15      *The Value of Leadership Development for  
Theological Librarians*  
Myka Kennedy Stephens

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16:15 - 17:00      *Leadership & the Roy Graham Library*  
Nevena Borcsok

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18:00              Conference Dinner

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19:30              Short presentation from special guests

# Conference Programme

SATURDAY

*Yarnton Manor, Oxford*

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9:00	Transport to Yarnton Manor from Wycliffe Hall
9:30	ABTAPL AGM (hybrid)
10:00	Refreshment Break
10:30	Panel book launch for <i>Theological Libraries in the UK and Ireland</i> chaired by Anna James
11:30	Teach Meets
12:30	Lunch
13:30	Depart no 1. Transport to Oxford Rail Station
13:30	Optional tour of Yarnton Manor
14:30	Depart no 2. Transport to Oxford Rail Station

# Conference Speakers

## **KRISTY STEWART**

Kirsty is the Scottish and University Collections Archivist at the University of Edinburgh.

## **PAUL CARLYLE**

Paul is the Curator of Non-Conformist Collections at the John Rylands Research Institute and Library, Manchester University.

## **MARK STIRLING**

Mark is the Librarian at the Highland Theological College Library

## **MYKA KENNEDY STEPHENS**

Myka is the founder of FOSGAIL Coaching, Consulting and Leadership Development and the Editor in Chief of Books@Atla Open Press.

## **HELEN RIMMER**

The Kind Brave Leader: Kindness and Wellbeing Coaching, Training and Consultancy. Helen is also the founder of Empower: the Library skills collective.

## **NEVENA BORCSOK**

Nevena is the Librarian at Newbold College of Higher Education