# **OPI Conference X** 25-28 June 2024

# Things to see and do during the conference

# **Around campus**

The Penryn campus has a long history with the site originally being a landed estate, with records dating back to 1309. After centuries of ownership and expansion by multiple families, the property was transformed into a convent school in the mid-20<sup>th</sup> century, before becoming a university campus in the late 20<sup>th</sup> century. The campus retains several historical features including the lime tree avenue (once a grand entrance to the estate), a walled garden and other beautiful areas. We will conduct a short walking tour on the first day to acquaint you with the campus, and (weather dependent!) we will maximise time outside by taking lunches in the gardens.



Views of historic Tremough House and the walled garden, complete with hammocks. © FXPlus and James Ram/Chetwode Ram Associates LTD.

#### At the beach

Falmouth has several beaches and sea swimming and rock pooling is popular at Gyllyngvase 'Gylly' and Castle Beaches, accessible from central Falmouth by a short walk. Morning (optional!) sea swims will be organised for enthusiastic delegates, as will campus or Falmouth runs.



A view of Falmouth with Gylly beach in the foreground and Castle beach in the background. Copyright: Tim Green, CC BY 2.0 DEED.

### On the Fal Estuary

On the final day of the conference there is a boat tour\* excursion with Fal River charters to take in the beautiful Fal Estuary, its wildlife and local history. Nearby villages and historic houses will be able to be seen from the boat, and we will explore both quiet wooded creeks and the outer estuary, where the Pendennis and St Mawe's castles (built during Henry VIII's reign) dominate the skyline.

\*Extra cost, prices will be made available soon with discounts for ECRs.



Our craft for the afternoon: The Moyana with its spacious outside and inside seating areas (pirate not included). © Fal River Charters.

#### At the National Maritime Museum

On the Thursday we are offering 'A night at the (maritime) museum'! This is a two-hour event\* where the museum is staying open especially for Oceans Past delegates, and you will have time to browse the exhibits while networking with your peers. There will be canapes, a welcome drink and a cash bar on site.

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The National Maritime Museum of Cornwall. © Wikimedia Commons.

# **Around Falmouth**

We will be hosting ECR networking opportunities in Falmouth on an evening, or you can simply relax in one of the many restaurants or pubs on the Fal waterfront on an evening while watching out for interesting boats and wildlife. More information to come soon!



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