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**WHAT: Discover the Creative Genius of
SIR STANLEY SPENCER
in the 'Village in Heaven', Cookham**

WHEN: THURSDAY 22 OCTOBER 2015

TRANSPORT: Minibus (15 seats)

TIME AND MEETING PLACE:

Meet 10.00am for prompt 10.15am departure at
Teddington Baptist Church. Return approx 3.30pm.

COST £9 Minibus Ticket – Pay ASAP (by 11 Oct latest)
Plus gallery £5 Ad (£4 Conc) Free for carers, ArtFund
Friends of the Gallery. Lunch & refreshments

LEADER: Trevor King



**Art – Portraits – Landscapes
Religious Works – Garden
Scenes – Lunch – Village Walk
Church – War Memorial - River**

An astonishing array of work by one of the most **original artists of the 20th century** is brought together for the first time in the Berkshire village of Cookham, situated on one of the most beautiful stretches of the Thames. Sir Stanley Spencer CBE, RA (1891-1959) worked ceaselessly throughout his life beginning as a young child. His parents didn't approve of the local school so a small shed in the garden next door was turned into a home-school and Stanley and his brother received rudimentary but inspirational teaching involving nature walks and drawing. Many paintings reflect his ideas inspired by family Bible readings and reveal an extraordinary imagination. On arrival at approx 11.15am we will visit the **Stanley Spencer Gallery** before enjoying lunch together at 12.15pm at **The Teapot Teashop** www.teapot-teashop.co.uk which has an interesting collection of over 100 teapots! After lunch enjoy free time exploring Cookham on foot, perhaps taking the interesting self-guided Village Walk (approx 45 mins with flat paving and two gates) that takes you past Spencer's early childhood home and some of the most important landmarks. The minibus will leave at 2.30pm for the return journey.

FURTHER INFORMATION: Stanley Spencer Gallery www.stanleypencer.org.uk, The Teapot Teashop menu <http://teapot-teashop.co.uk/food/4579667947> (we'll make a group table reservation).

TO BOOK A PLACE: Please speak to or email Trevor trevorkinguk@gmail.com or Steph swstephwilkinson@btinternet.com or Janet Dilley dilleyjanet@hotmail.com or **sign up on a Sunday and please pay your £9 for the minibus to Janet or Steph by 11 October.**

Maximum of 15 places available – Come along and invite your friends and family members too!
Please note refunds can only be given in the unlikely event of cancelling the minibus.

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