

# A Conversation with Glenda Rousseau

## The Arts Society Grantham

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On yet another rather hot July morning, I met with Glenda Rousseau who is publicity officer for The Arts Society Grantham. Before I talked about The Arts Society Grantham, I wanted to know more about Glenda.

"I'm Australian, from Leongatha, south-east of Melbourne, (probably better known for the mushroom murders) and came to England in 1974. I've lived in Cambridge, London, Maidenhead and also in Brittany. After seven years in France, my husband wanted to move back to England and we ended up in Grantham. Friends suggested that people of our age would find many like-minded people in The Arts Society Grantham, so that's how I became involved and joined in 2012," Glenda told me. Established in 2000 and led by the late Jean Parker, CBE, the original name was Grantham & District Decorative & Fine Arts



Society (GADDFAS), but became The Arts Society Grantham (TASG) in 2017. It is an

independent member society of The Arts Society, which is a leading arts education charity with a global network of local societies, bringing people together through a shared curiosity for the arts. Grantham is one of 18 Arts Societies currently operating in the East Midlands. Monthly meetings are held in Grantham's Guildhall Arts Centre, bringing inspiring lectures from first-class speakers who cover a wide range of topics in the fine and applied arts, including architecture, furniture, music, ceramics, paintings, dance, theatre and many others. In addition, Special Days of Interest are offered, giving deep-level

