

ADAM SEDGWICK (1785-1873)

The museum, opened in 1904, was built as a memorial to Adam Sedgwick who was professor of geology at Cambridge from 1818 until his death in 1873.

Born in the Yorkshire Dales, he is one of the major figures of geology, deeply involved in unravelling the sequence of ancient rocks called the Palaeozoic, a time when trilobites dominated the oceans.

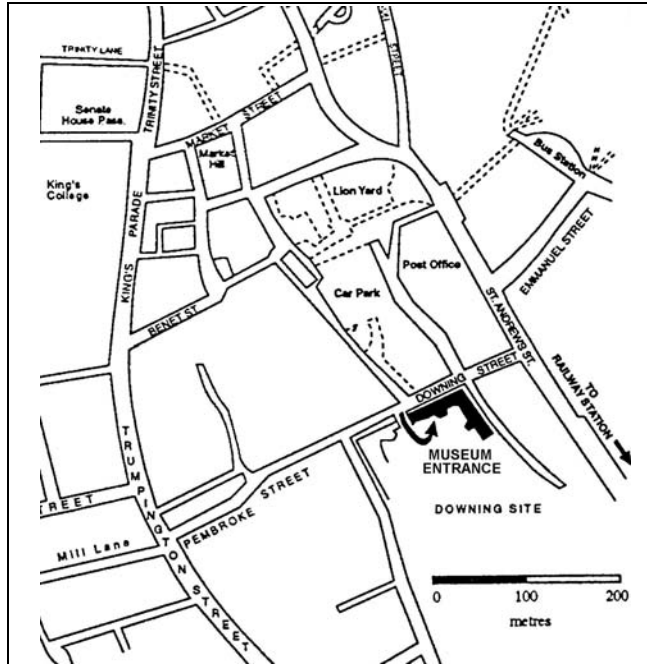
A charismatic teacher, very active in the life of the university, he was responsible for the rapid expansion of the collections. Many of the museum's finest exhibits were acquired through Sedgwick's efforts.

At his death the size of the collections greatly exceeded the capacity of the former museum and it was decided that a new museum would be a fitting memorial to Sedgwick.



The Sedgwick Museum

University of Cambridge
Downing Street Cambridge CB2 3EQ
Telephone: 01223 333456
Website: www.sedgwickmuseum.org



ADMISSION FREE

Opening times

Monday to Friday: 10am-1pm, 2pm-5pm

Saturdays: 10am-4pm

(Closed Christmas and Easter)

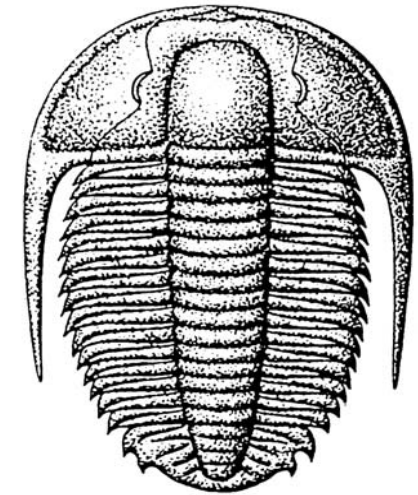
Museum shop

The shop stocks fossil replicas, models, postcards, posters, maps and books.

Access for the disabled

Please telephone if special assistance is needed.

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SEDGWICK MUSEUM

How you can
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geological museums

The Sedgwick Museum of Earth Sciences

One of the university's many hidden treasures, and actually its oldest museum, the Sedgwick is packed full of fossils with over one million specimens in its collection. These range from the earliest forms of life over 3000 million years old through to huge ammonites, giant marine reptiles, dinosaurs and a hippopotamus only 125,000 years old from the nearby village of Barrington, a striking testimony to climate and environmental change.

The museum also contains Britain's oldest intact geological collection (bequeathed in 1728) still in its original walnut cabinets and Charles Darwin's rock collection and field notebooks from his voyage on the *Beagle*.

A stunning mineral gallery shows minerals and gemstones in all their colourful glory.



The Friends of the Sedgwick Museum

The Friends exists to support and encourage the development of the museum and promote and publicise the collection to a wider audience.

Membership of the Friends is open to anyone and members will benefit from:

Talks about the Earth Sciences and on topics relevant to the museum and its collections.

Tours behind the scenes at the museum and its conservation unit to see natural treasures not normally accessible to the public.

Visits to places of geological interest.

Social events such as an annual dinner with a reception in the museum.

Newsletters to keep members informed about events and activities.

Exclusive previews of exhibitions.

Opportunities to become a volunteer and be involved in the work of the museum.

How to join

Complete the tear-off slip and send with your cheque to the membership secretary:

The Membership Secretary,
Friends of the Sedgwick Museum,
c/o Reception, Dept. of Earth Sciences,
University of Cambridge,
Downing Street, Cambridge CB2 3EQ

Note: Details entered on the attached form may be held on computer files.

APPLICATION FORM

Please use block capitals and return the form, with your cheque, to the membership secretary.

Name (Dr, Mr, Mrs, Miss, Ms) *(delete as applicable)*

Address.....

Postcode.....

Telephone.....

E-mail:

Age (if under 18).....

Subscriptions (please tick)

Individual: £12 per annum (Over 18 years)

Family: £18 per annum (Two or more members living at the same address)

Young person: £6 per annum (members under the age of 18)

Concession: £8 per annum (Full time students, unemployed or over 60s)

Membership is for one year and expires on 31 March. Members joining after 31 December will have the last quarter's membership included in the following year.

I attach a cheque for £.....made payable to The Friends of The Sedgwick Museum.

Signed.....Date.....

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Gift Aid Declaration. I am a UK taxpayer. I would like the Friends of the Sedgwick Museum to treat all membership fees and donations as Gift Aid donations from the date of this declaration until I notify otherwise.

Signed.....Date.....

