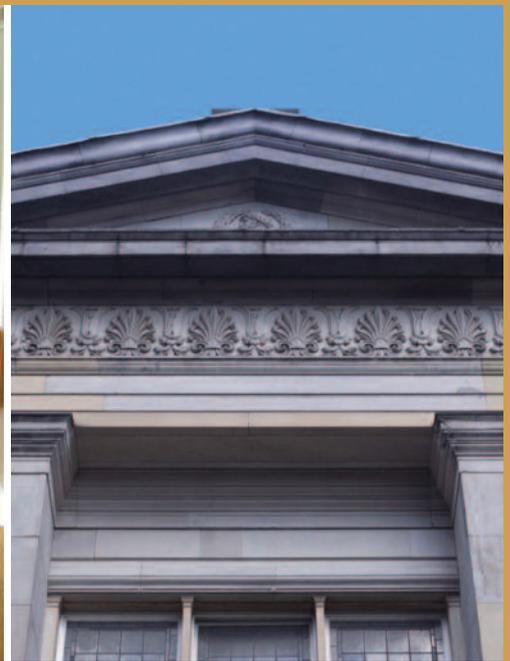




SURGEONS' HALL



# A UNIQUE MUSEUM WITH HIDDEN SECRETS



The Museum of the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh houses one of the largest and most historic collections of surgical pathology material in the United Kingdom and is one of the oldest and most complete of its kind in the world. Developed as a teaching museum for students of medicine, it has also been open to the general public since 1832, making it Scotland's oldest museum.

**Surgeons' Hall Museum** has been voted a Four Star Tourist Attraction by Visit Scotland and is recognised as a collection of National Significance by the Scottish Government. It is one of the few Pathology Museums that is open to the general public. Robert Knox contributed substantially to the design of the Museum, but unfortunately resigned from his post as Conservator in 1831 before the installation of the medical collection in the current Museum in 1832. This was due to his links with the Burke and Hare scandal. A special Committee of inquiry formed at Knox's request exonerated him from suspicion of complicity in the Burke and Hare murders but a general feeling of outrage persisted for many years. Eventually in 1842 he left Edinburgh for London never to return.





Besides the permanent displays of Pathology, History of Surgery, Dentistry, Facial Surgery and The Real Sherlock Holmes, the Museum runs temporary exhibitions throughout the year (New for 2011: *The Accoucheur: Sir James Young Simpson*; & *Sight for Scotland: 100 Years of Ophthalmology*).

The Events Team can organise discounted tickets for delegates attending a Conference if they wish to visit the Museum as part of their programme. Alternatively, private viewings can be booked in the evening, before a drinks reception or dinner. Tour Guides are also available who take you back in time showing how surgery has developed in the last 500 years. You may even find out what some of the hidden secrets are!

## Doing the Right Thing

The Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh provides education and assessment for medical students, surgical trainees and consultants, and supports research to advance standards of care for the future. Surgeons trained and assessed through the College here in Edinburgh bring life-saving and life-changing skills to all corners of the globe, particularly in Africa.

Profits from the Hotel and from Events and Functions held on the College's premises are invested back into supporting the activities of the College and its Fellows and Members around the world. So on behalf of surgeons and their patients please consider us when you are looking for a venue.



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