



# C.S. Lewis and Oxford: how a city of beauty and learning inspired him

The Council for Christian Colleges and Universities and SCIO  
invite you to an online lecture by

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C.S. Lewis lived in Oxford for most of his life – even when he was a professor at Cambridge – and Oxford inspired both his imagination and his intellect. He was a consummate storyteller, and the ancient colleges of Oxford, the city's landscape, and the remarkable people he knew there, notably J.R.R. Tolkien, profoundly affected his writing. In this lecture we consider how his stimulating Oxonian environment shaped his life and thought.



Jonathan Kirkpatrick is SCIO's Director of Studies in Classics and the History of Art. Like C.S. Lewis, he studied classics at Oxford as an undergraduate, and later graduated MSt and DPhil from Oxford. A former Scholar in Residence at Lewis's Oxford home, the Kilns, he now teaches SCIO's course on C.S. Lewis and the classics.

**Thursday,  
29 October 2020**

8pm UK  
4pm Eastern  
1pm Pacific

After the lecture, there will be a chance to hear briefly about opportunities for coming to Oxford virtually and in person.

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