



ORIENTAL RUG SOCIETY OF NSW

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NEXT MEETING

Thursday, February 12, 2026
National Trust Centre,
Observatory Hill
7.00 PM: Refreshments
7.30: Talk

William Morris: Islamic Influences on his Textiles in

William Morris (1834–96), whose designs revolutionized textiles, stained glass, carpets, wallpapers and other decorative arts, collected oriental carpets and used them as sources for his own work (eg, left).



Our speaker, **Christopher Menz**, a authority on Morris, will cover key aspects of Morris's design work, focusing on the Islamic influences in his carpet and textile production.

RSVP to info@rugsociety.org.au ASAP (we've acknowledged all registrations so far).

Entry: **ORS members \$25, non-members \$35.**



Pay by **cash** or **card** on the night, or **pre-pay** to our account: Oriental Rug Soc. of NSW, BSB 062 217, Acct: 10491173 Ref: 'Entry'.

Meeting Dates for 2026

Feb 12 April 16 Jun 11
Aug 13 Oct 8 Dec 6 (party)

Membership Renewals

As a voluntary non-profit society, we rely on your financial, as well as moral, support. If you haven't renewed your membership, please do so ASAP—see the attached form with your choice of three payment methods.



Last Meeting

Our End-of-Year Party was roundly successful, as you saw from the images we emailed in late December.

Thanks again to Ian and Belinda Perryman for hosting us in their gorgeous Woollahra gallery.



Congratulations to the Rug Quiz and raffle winners, and to those who donated prizes.

And special praise for ORS member **Bani Varda**, who designed, hand-made and donated this exquisite pair of sterling silver earrings, with ruby cabochons, as a Rug Quiz prize! See Bani's

work at: www.instagram.com/p/DQprIXrk685/

