

WOMEN SCIENCE

11th March 2015, University of Chester, Thornton Science Park

- 6.00pm – 6.30pm** Tea/coffee on arrival
- 6.30pm – 6.45pm** Chairman's opening remarks;
Professor Nick Avis, Executive Dean Science and Engineering Faculty
- 6.45pm – 7.45pm** Key note speaker: *Dr Maggie Aderin-Pocock*
- 7.45pm – 8.00pm** Chairman's closing remarks
- 8.00pm** Wine and nibbles

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Dr Maggie Aderin-Pocock, MBE

Renowned space scientist Dr Maggie Aderin-Pocock is the BBC's new face of space presenting *The Sky at Night*, BBC Two's *Do We Really Need The Moon?* and *Do We Really Need Satellites?*, as well as regular appearances on BBC One's *The One Show*.

Despite a difficult background, Maggie still managed to get to university, earn a Physics Degree and a PhD in Mechanical Engineering, both from Imperial College London. She also holds a Science in Society Fellowship awarded by the Science and Technology Facilities Council (STFC) and is a research fellow at the University College London Department of Science and Technology Studies.

"Science is a wonder: It's like poetry and music and yet people don't see it that way. In the heyday of the Royal Institution people were queuing up outside to get in, but now science has become a bit more remote, I don't want to talk about the science, but about the people behind the science. I try to answer three questions: why I became a scientist, how I became a scientist and, most important, what I do as a scientist. One of the problems is that physics careers are not very visible. If you do medicine or accountancy you know what people do. I try to show young people what you can do with a degree in physics."

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