



Science City

Craft, Commerce and Curiosity in London 1550-1800

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- An accessible yet enlightening handbook exploring London's rich history as a world-leading city of science
- Richly illustrated with a myriad of scientific and mathematical instruments, drawings, paintings and maps
- Official companion to a new gallery opening at the Science Museum in autumn 2019 - an institution that attracts over 3 million visitors per year

Many cities around the world could claim to have a rich scientific history. However, between 1550 and 1800, London fostered its very own particular brand of scientific enquiry and practice. *Science City* explores how science shaped London, and London shaped science, as Britain's new capital grew to become a powerful world city, a nexus of administration for ambitious scientific projects and a place to obtain exceptional scientific equipment. This richly illustrated book accompanies *Science City 1550-1800: The Linbury Gallery* at the Science Museum, London, scheduled to open in the autumn of 2019. Introduction: Science City Chapter 1: A New Trade in London, 1550-1650 Chapter 2: Experiment and the City, 1660-1727 Chapter 3: Public Science in London, 1720-1790 Chapter 4: Science in a World City, 1745-1800 Chapter 5: Making Instruments Today: An Interview with Joanna Migdal Chapter 6: Experimental Science Today: The Role of the Royal Society Chapter 7: London Today: Inspiring Futures Endnotes Further reading Acknowledgements Author biographies Index

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