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**The Dabis Lecture for 2012**

# **‘Why Pericles Matters’**

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**Thursday 9 February, 6.15 p.m.**

**Windsor Building Auditorium, Royal Holloway**

Pericles is the most famous political figure in classical Greek history. His Funeral Speech has been the admired model for democratic societies throughout the world. How does it seem nowadays in an era when war, imperialism and feminism have given it a new resonance? This lecture aims to reinstate Pericles' claim to greatness by giving a bold interpretation of his life and political vision.

Robin Lane-Fox has been Fellow and Tutor in Ancient History since 1977 and University Reader in Ancient History since 1990. His books and articles include major works on Alexander the Great and the relation between the pagan and early Christian religions of the Roman Empire. He has taught Greek and Latin literature, Greek and Roman history and early Islamic history in which he held an Oxford Research Fellowship.

**All are welcome**