



THE CONSORT IN QUESTION
PRINCE ALBERT

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A much greater figure than he is usually judged to be, Prince Albert was a prodigious worker whose achievements have become legendary: Director of the Queen's Household; President of the Society for the Extinction of Slavery; Chairman of the Royal Commission for redecorating the Houses of Parliament; President of the Society for the Improvement of the Condition of the Working Classes; President of the Society of Arts; designer of Osborne House and of housing for the poor; educational reformer; principal collaborator on the Great Exhibition in the Crystal Palace; founder of 'Albertopolis' in South Kensington (V and A Museum, Science Museum, Natural History Museum; Royal Albert Hall and Imperial College); cataloguer of the works by Raphael in the Royal Collection; donor of major early German and Flemish pictures to the National Gallery; husband, lover and daily adviser to his Queen Victoria; beloved father to nine children, and, many pampered dogs. Might we not call him the greatest monarch Britain never had?

All **Culture in Question** lectures take place in the Art Workers Guild, Queen Square, Bloomsbury, unless otherwise indicated. Coffee is served at 10.30, the lecture begins at 11, and a light lunch with wine is served at 1 pm. The event ends by 3.30 p.m.

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