



Jeremiah Horrocks  
Public Lecture Series

# Islands in Infinity

**Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> January, 6:30pm (refreshments from 6pm)**  
**Darwin Lecture Theatre, Preston Campus**

In this talk I will describe and discuss galaxies, from our own Milky Way, via spirals, barred spiral, ellipticals, irregulars and galaxies undergoing mergers and collisions, to the largest structures in the Universe, including clusters, super-clusters, filaments and voids, arcs and rings. I will also talk about my experiences with Sir Brian May in writing our book 'Galaxies in 3D'. In particular, I will discuss the making of the 3D galaxy images by our co-author J-P Metsavainio.



**Professor Derek Ward-Thompson** read Physics at Oxford University, before taking a PhD, some 40 years ago, in Astronomy at Durham University, specifically studying spiral galaxies. Since then, he has worked at the then Lancashire Polytechnic, Cambridge University, the Royal Observatory Edinburgh and Cardiff University, before returning to Preston to be Director of the Jeremiah Horrocks Institute of the now University of Lancashire.



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