

On **Wednesday 31 July 2024**, Daniel Yazdani of 13th Floor St James Hall will present the **2024 Forbes Lecture**, speaking on “*Francis Forbes and the Parable of the Gown and Wig: A History of Legal Dress in New South Wales*”. The Lecture will be chaired by Dr Simon Chapple SC, Secretary of the Forbes Society. The Lecture will be held in Banco Court Level 13 Law Courts Building, 184 Phillip Street Sydney starting at 5:15pm and concluding at 6:15pm. No registration is necessary for in person attendance.

The Forbes Society, and the annual Forbes Lecture sponsored by the Society, are named after Sir Francis Forbes (1784-1841), the first Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of NSW, 1824-1837.

The Society is very grateful to the Chief Justice of NSW, the Hon. Andrew Bell, for his permission to use Supreme Court facilities.

If you have any queries, please email secretariat@forbessociety.org.au.

Daniel’s bio: Daniel is a barrister on 13th Floor St James Hall. He contributed to the illustrated history of the Supreme Court’s *Constant Guardian: Changing Times – The Supreme Court of New South Wales 1824-2024* which may be ordered here <https://constantguardian.info/>. Daniel authored *The Habit of a Judge: A History of Court Dress in England & Wales, and Australia* (Talbot Publishing/ Lawbook Exchange, 2019), with a foreword by the former Chief Justice of WA, the Hon. Wayne Martin AC, KC. He practised as a solicitor in Perth from 2015 to 2019 and then from 2020 to April 2022, was Tipstaff and in 2021, Acting Associate, to the Hon. Justice Lindsay, before his admission to the NSW Bar.

Dates for diary

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| 31 July | Daniel Yazdani will present the 2024 Forbes Lecture: “ <i>Francis Forbes and the Parable of the Gown and Wig: a History of Legal Dress in New South Wales</i> ” |
| 13 August | Robert Turnbull, barrister (8 th Floor Wentworth Chambers) and previous tipstaff to the Chief Judge in Equity the Hon. P A Bergin – legal history tutorial on: “ <i>The History of precedent</i> ” |