

Evening talk - Wednesday 15th February - 7.30pm

Professor Chris Stringer (Natural History Museum)
The Origin of Our Species

**Venue - The Studio, Royal Spa Centre, Newbold Terrace,
Leamington Spa**

7.00pm for a prompt 7.30pm start

Parking in Newbold Terrace - see below

Human Evolution can be divided into two main phases:

A pre-human phase in Africa prior to 2 million years ago

A human phase, with an increase in behavioural complexity

Chris will show that whilst evidence points strongly to Africa as the major centre for the genetic, physical and behavioural origins of both ancient and modern humans, new discoveries are prompting a rethink of some aspects of our evolutionary origins.

Prof. Chris Stringer, FRS, Research Leader in Human Origins, Natural History Museum, South Kensington:

Chris has worked at the museum since 1973, and is now Research Leader in Human Origins and a Fellow of the Royal Society. His early research was on the relationship of Neanderthals and early modern humans in Europe, but through his work on the 'Out of Africa' theory of modern human origins, he now collaborates with others in attempting to reconstruct the evolution of modern humans globally. He has over 200 scientific papers, and several books to his name.

THE MEETING POINT



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PARKING:
Newbold Terrace

Winter Meeting Schedule:

- 21st March 2012 - **Roy Starkey** (Russell Society)
- The mineralogy of Scotland, a personal view*
- (To be held at Jubilee House, Smalley Place, Kenilworth)

- 18th April 2012 - **Dr. Howard Falcon-Lang** (University of London) -
- Coal Forests and Climate Change*
- (To be held at the Royal Spa Centre, Newbold Terrace, Leamington Spa)