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## Lost & found: the serendipity of collecting

With Jo Atherton & Dr Boris Jardine

**Saturday 25 November 2017 | 14.00-16.00**

**Cambridge University Library, West Road, Cambridge CB3 9DR**

In the mid-19th century Cambridge scientists setting up new museums relied on serendipity to acquire specimens—for example in 1865 when a huge whale washed up on Pevensey Bay, Sussex. Today, artist Jo Atherton works with found objects gathered on the UK coastline. In this talk, Dr Boris Jardine and Jo reflect on the moment of discovery, when lost becomes found, and explore the very human desire to collect. It is accompanied by an exhibition of objects from Cambridge University Library and from Jo's collection.

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