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Käthe Buchler & Early Colour Photography

by *Matthew Shaul*

Art & Design Building • College Lane Campus • Hatfield

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Beyond the Battlefields: Käthe Buchler's Photographs of Germany in the Great War at UH Galleries showcases a unique series of images of German everyday life before, during and after the First World War, seen through the eyes of photographer Käthe Buchler (1876-1930).

Different picture cycles examine the care of orphaned children and wounded troops, Germans at work and at leisure – including a fascinating series made late in the war entitled 'Women in Men's Jobs'. Buchler presents the dislocations of war along with striking moments of human warmth; in so doing she offers us a fascinating window on the preoccupations of ordinary Germans, living hundreds of miles away from the fighting.

Buchler was an early adopter of the 'Autochrome' process (the world's first colour photographic process) and colour imagery starts to appear in her work as early as 1913.

In this talk, Mr Matthew Shaul, Curator of the exhibition on behalf of *Everyday Lives in War* engagement centre at the University of Hertfordshire, will provides us with an insight into Käthe Buchler's life, with a special focus on her pioneering work as an early colour photographer.



MATTHEW SHAUL is Director of Departure Lounge, Luton, and former Artistic Director of UH Galleries.

PLACES ARE LIMITED TO 100 for this event.

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