

## SAVE-THE-DATE

January 21, 2025

Dear Fellow WIS Members and English Ceramic Enthusiasts,

It is with great pleasure and excitement that we announce the next **Wedgwood International Seminar's Zoom Lecture**. It will be held on **Friday, February 21, 2025**, and will feature Dr. h.c. Gaye Blake Roberts, Chair of Keele's College of Fellows and former Director and Curator of the Wedgwood Museum. Gaye's lecture is titled, "I Suppose Those At The Academy Are Less Hacken'd & Better in General Than The Plaster Shop Can Furnish Us With." Gaye's lecture will look at Wedgwood & Bentley's introduction and production of busts and statuettes and their ambition to acquire a slice of the British sculpture market.

Details about the lecture and the Zoom link will be sent to all WIS members and additional Wedgwood enthusiasts via email on **Sunday, February 16, 2025**. You may also access this information on the WIS website and Facebook page.



Wedgwood & Bentley Black Basalt Bust of Faustina (Courtesy of the Horn/Hoffman Collection)