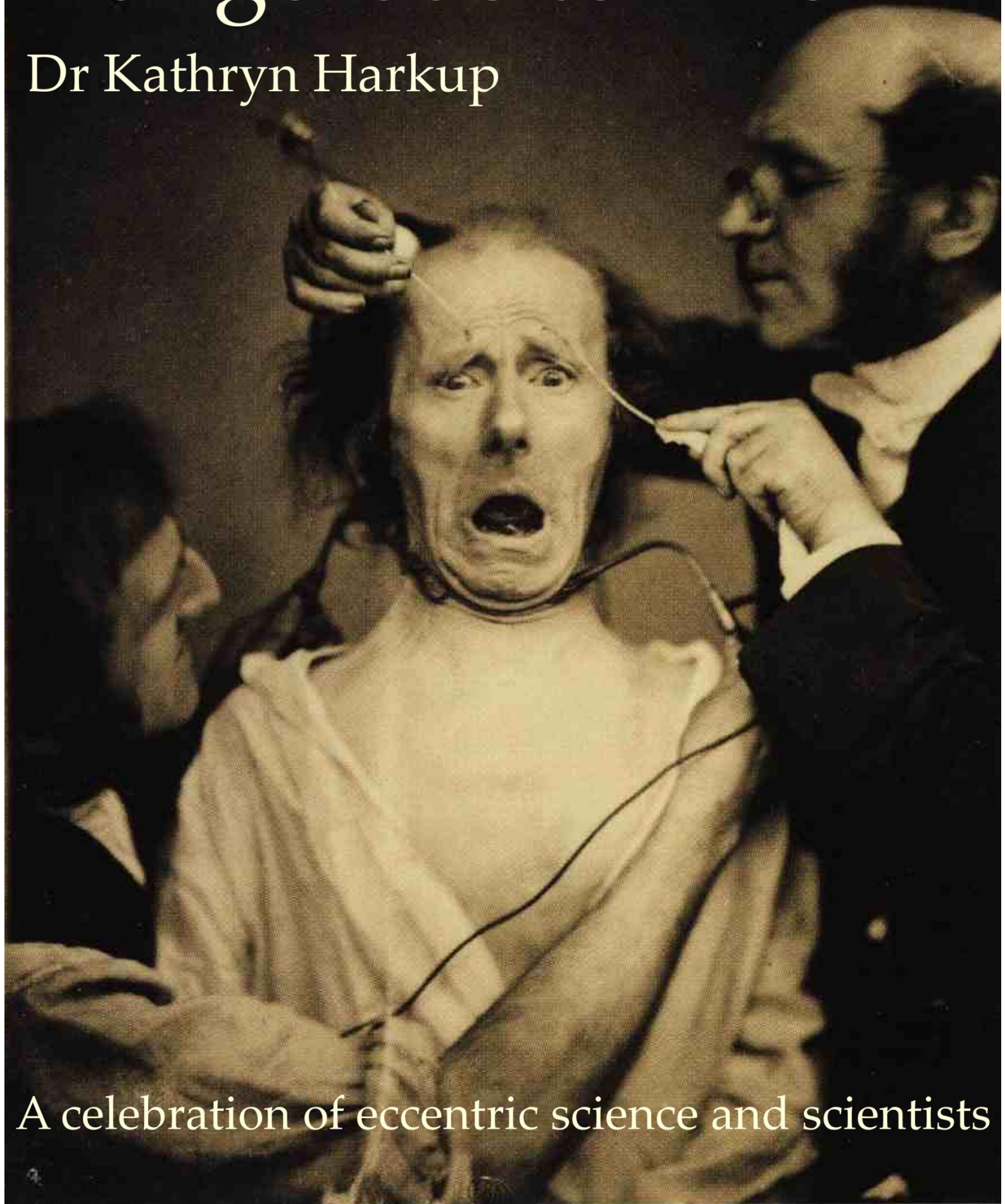


Mad, Bad and Dangerous to Know

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A celebration of eccentric science and scientists

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Bring Your Own Flux Capacitor

Scientists sometimes get stereotyped. Why are scientists depicted as chronically shy, slightly odd and carrying out crazy experiments to try and take over the world? Of course it's only Bond villains who are plotting to take over the world and most scientists are lovely sociable people. But the stereotype has to come from somewhere...



The Talk

30 to 60 minutes to any number of people

This talk looks at a selection of scientists who have gone the extra mile to discover incredible things. They did disgusting experiments and faced personal danger and ridicule to give us brilliant scientific insights. Their eccentricities may have even helped them in their work. There are sword fights, electrocuted frogs and buckets and buckets of wee.



Curriculum Links

Suitable for Key Stages 3 and 4

This talk relates to science curriculum topics on how science works - scientific enquiry, ideas and evidence, evaluating evidence and investigative skills; circulation; nerves; electricity; the solar system; gravity.



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