



Miss Jane Kirkby 1790 – 1825

Castle tenant

Miss Jane Kirkby was a tenant at the Castle from the early 1790s to 1825, and was a well-known independent, charitable and hospitable Nottingham resident in her day. She was famous for her oyster parties, small menagerie and night-time tours of the Castle Caves she's a real favourite of the Castle Project Team.

The Castle have an apron in their collection associated with a Miss Kirkby of Nottingham Castle and have been researching her life. **Judith Edgar Curator of Lace, Costume and Textiles at Nottingham City Museums and Galleries** said; "I was very excited when researcher Dr Richard Gaunt told me that Yvonne (a volunteer) had been researching Miss Kirkby – and even more so when Yvonne sent me her research – I'd love to have met her!"