



THE SOCIETY OF LONDONERS



Events programme

Spring
2018

February



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History dinner: Professor Kate Williams

Monday 5 February
7-10pm

Museum of London
150 London Wall
London EC2Y 5HN

Join our Chairman, Clive Bannister, and author, historian and television presenter Professor Kate Williams for dinner and a discussion on **Emma Hamilton: life in 18th Century London**. Kate is a specialist in modern history, royal and constitutional affairs and Professor of Modern History at Reading University.

Limited to 25 people
Luminaries only



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Private tour: The Painted Hall

Tuesday 6 February
3-4pm

Old Royal Naval College
King William Walk
Greenwich SE10 9NN

Designed by Sir Christopher Wren and painted by Sir James Thornhill between 1707 and 1726, the Painted Hall at the Old Royal Naval College is widely regarded as the Sistine Chapel of the UK. Now at the centre of one of Europe's most ambitious conservation projects, this private tour, led by Conservation Director Will Palin, provides an opportunity to experience the drama of this vast masterpiece up close.

Limited to 20 people
Free to the Society of Londoners and their guests
RSVP essential

February



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Private tour: Collect

Thursday 22 February
10.15-11.30am

Saatchi Gallery
King's Road
London SW3 4RY

Collect, the leading international fair for contemporary objects, brings together 38 galleries from four continents for a celebration of making, extraordinary in both scale and scope. This private tour during the fair's private view provides an opportunity to encounter museum-quality works and installations, from hundreds of the most talented makers, before the fair opens to the public.

Limited to 15 people

Free to the Society of Londoners and their guests
RSVP essential



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Director's Lunch: Votes for Women

Friday 23 February
12-2.30pm

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Somerset House
London WC2R 1LA

Join our Director, Sharon Ament, for a special lunch to commemorate the centenary of the passing of the Representation of the People's Act, which gave (some) women the right to vote in the UK. The lunch will take place just off the Strand, an area central to much of the Suffragettes' campaigning.

Limited to 16 people

Visionaries & Luminaries only
RSVP essential

March



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Private tour: London Mithraeum Bloomberg SPACE

Tuesday 6 March
5-6.30pm

12 Walbrook
London EC4N 8AA

The mysterious cult of Mithras first appeared in Rome in the 1st century AD. It spread across the Empire over the next 300 years, predominantly attracting merchants, soldiers and imperial administrators. Join curator Jackie Keily and archaeologist Sophie Jackson for a private guided tour of the recently opened London Mithraeum, followed by drinks nearby.

Limited to 15 people

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RSVP essential



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Living Londoners: George Osborne

(Date to follow)
10.30-11.30am

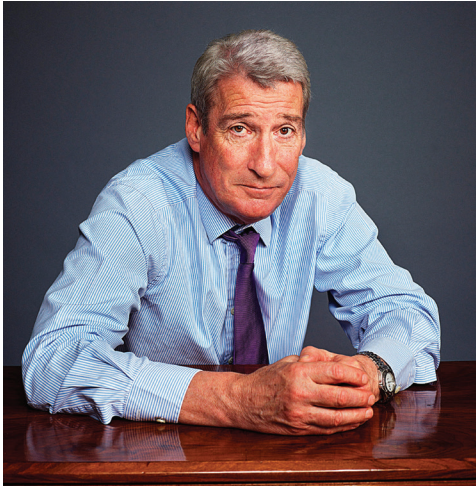
Northcliffe House
2 Derry Street
London W8 5TT

Join editor of the London Evening Standard and former Chancellor of the Exchequer George Osborne for a private tour of the Evening Standard offices. Please note that places are limited for this event and will be issued on a first-come-first-serve basis.

Limited to 10 people

Free to the Society of Londoners and their guests
RSVP essential

April



© Jeremy Paxman

History Dinner: Jeremy Paxman

Tuesday 24 April
7-10pm

Museum of London
150 London Wall
London EC2Y 5HN

Join our Chairman, Clive Bannister, and broadcaster, journalist and author Jeremy Paxman for dinner and a discussion on **How London Became the Centre of the World**. Jeremy is a prolific television and radio political broadcaster, most notably serving as presenter of BBC Newsnight for 25 years.

Limited to 25 people

Luminaries only
Invitations to follow



© H. Forman and Son

Private tour: H. Forman & Son

Saturday 21 April
11.30am – 12.30pm

Stour Rd
London E3 2NT

A fourth generation family owned salmon smoker, H. Forman & Son is the East End's last smokehouse, founded by Harry Forman in Stepney in 1905 and run today by his great-grandson Lance Forman at Fish Island in Hackney Wick. This private tour will include a visit to the smokehouse and factory floor, a salmon calving demonstration and a tasting. Taxis will be provided from Stratford station.

Limited to 15 people

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RSVP essential

Dates for your diary

Events

Breakfast view:

Votes for Women

7 or 8 March (invitations to follow)

8-10am

150 London Wall
London EC2Y 5HN

A private breakfast view of **Votes for Women**, the museum's commemorative exhibition dedicated to those who campaigned tirelessly for over 50 years to achieve votes for women. Includes a curator presentation and breakfast buffet.

Free to the Society of Londoners and their guests
RSVP essential

Late opening:

Pleasure Gardens display

Tuesday 20 March

6.30-9pm

150 London Wall
London EC2Y 5HN

An evening reception to celebrate the redressing of the Pleasure Gardens gallery, following the museum's successful crowdfunding campaign to fund the display.

Free to the Society of Londoners and their guests
RSVP essential

Launch party:

London Nights

Wednesday 9 May

6.30-9pm

150 London Wall
London EC2Y 5HN

Join us for a party to celebrate the launch of our **London Nights** photography exhibition, revealing the life of the city after dark.

Free to the Society of Londoners and their guests
Invitations to follow

Private guided tour:

New Museum site at West Smithfield

Wednesday 24 January 10-11am

Wednesday 7 February 10-11am

A hard hat tour of the Museum of London's new site at West Smithfield. If you are unable to attend any of the listed dates, please let us know and we will be happy to arrange an alternative time.

Limited to 10 people per group
RSVP essential

Exhibitions

Votes for Women

2 February 2018 - 6 January 2019

Part of the national commemorations marking the centenary of the 1918 Act that gave some women the right to vote for the first time, this exhibition features iconic objects from the museum's vast Suffragette collection, including Emmeline Pankhurst's hunger strike medal.

Beyond Documentary:

Recent Photography Acquisitions

28 April 2018 onwards

150 London Wall
London EC2Y 5HN

Beyond Documentary brings together some of most significant additions to the museum's photography collection made in the last three years. This includes work by Karen Knorr, Rut Blees Luxemburg and Vera Lutter. The exhibition is the culmination of an HLF grant to expand the scope of our contemporary photographic holdings.

London Nights

11 May – 11 November 2018

Fusing portraiture, documentary, conceptual photography and film, **London Nights** will reveal the city after dark through photographs ranging from the late 19th century to the present day. Drawing from the museum's extensive collection and loaned works, 50 artists, including Alvin Langdon Coburn, Bill Brandt, Rut Blees Luxemburg and Nick Turpin, will be represented through over 200 works.



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