

Tower of London

Member luncheons in the Perkin Reveller, hosted by Jascots Wine Merchant

Dates: 13 Dec and 17 March starting at 12 noon

Price: £45 for a three course lunch and accompanying wines.

These lunches are hosted by an expert from Jascots wine merchants to ensure the menu and the wines match perfectly. Come on your own or in a group to get to know more about food and wine pairing.



Exclusive member events...



White Tower tours

Date: 27 Feb, doors open 18.15 for a 18.30 start

Price: £15 including refreshments

The White Tower is one of the most famous castle keeps in the world. It was built to awe, subdue and terrify Londoners and to deter foreign invaders. It's an iconic symbol of London and Britain.

This is your chance to see the Line of Kings and St John's Chapel after hours with a White Tower guide. The tour will be followed by a drinks reception.



Member-only Carol Service at St Peter Ad Vincula

Dates: 16 and 17 Dec starting promptly at 18.30
Price: £10 for adults, £7.50 for children over 5 years old.

Following the re-opening of the Chapel Royal by Her Majesty the Queen in October 2014, we are delighted to be hosting the second member-only carol service at St Peter Ad Vincula. Join us for a service of lessons and carols sung by the Chapel choir and immerse yourself in Christmas tidings at the heart of the Tower of London. These dates will no doubt be extremely popular and the Chapel Royal has limited capacity. Booking is essential and the event is only open to Members of Historic Royal Palaces.

Please note tickets go on sale at 09.00 on 16 November and no tickets will be sold before that date.

Key:

Book tickets using the following methods

Phone

Online

Email

Ceremony of the Keys

Dates: 20 Nov, 11 Dec, 15 Jan, 12 Feb, 12 March and 16 April

Price: The event is free but we ask for a donation of £5 on the night towards conservation costs.

The Ceremony of the Keys is the traditional locking up of the Tower of London and has taken place on each and every night, without fail, for at least 700 years. We have a very limited allocation of places so **book early** to secure your place.

Please be there promptly at 21.30 as latecomers will not be admitted. This event is held entirely outside so please wrap up warm and weather-proof.



Members-only viewing of the Crown Jewels

Dates: 1 Feb, doors open at 18.30 for a 19.00 start

Price: £20 including refreshments

The Crown Jewels, part of the Royal Collection, are the most powerful symbols of the British Monarchy and hold deep religious and cultural significance in our nation's history. Come and see the jewels away from the crowds and enjoy a behind-the-scenes look at a unique working collection of royal regalia, which is still used by The Queen in important national ceremonies, such as the annual State Opening of Parliament.

Image: Royal Collection Trust © 2016, Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II

New Member tours of the Tower of London

Tower of London tour with an iconic Yeoman Warder

Dates: 3 Dec, 11 Dec, 4 Jan, 15 Jan, 4 Feb, 19 Feb starting at 16.45, 5 and 19 March starting at 17.45

Price: FREE for new members (suitable for children of all ages)

If you have recently joined as a member but not yet had the chance to visit the Tower of London why not come along to one of the 'New Member tours'? Each tour is taken by one of our iconic Yeoman Warders and really gives you an expert's guide of what there is to see and do. The tours are free and although advertised to new members, if you have missed out on the Tower of London experience then please feel free to book onto one of these excellent tours.

Please meet outside the Welcome Centre at the Tower of London at the allocated time.



Elizabeth Fremantle discussing Tudor and Elizabethan women

Date: 20 Feb, doors open 18.30 for a 19.00 start

Price: £15

Elizabeth Fremantle has written a number of novels about Tudor and Elizabethan women who were rule breakers. This talk will focus on these disobedient women, Katherine Parr, Lady Katherine Grey, Penelope Devereux, Arbella Stuart to name a few. Elizabeth will explore the unprecedented half-century of female rule through the prism of female disobedience, looking at the ways in which Elizabeth managed to retain her power and the effect of this on the women around her. This all makes fascinating subject matter for discussion. We hope that you agree and that we see you there.



Please note that events will go on sale on Thursday 10 November apart from the three carol services which will be on sale on Wednesday 16 November.

Events
As always member events are extremely popular so please book early to avoid disappointment.

Hampton Court Palace

Meet a State Apartment Warder in the Members' Room

Dates: 17 Dec, 14 Jan, 10 Feb, 11 March and 6 April – tours start at 11.00 and 14.00 respectively.

Price: FREE for new members (suitable for children of all ages)

Members are lucky enough to have the services of a State Apartment Warder for one day a month in the Members' Room to show new members around, answer any questions or tell you about the ghosts and characters inhabiting the palace.

The State Apartment Warder will be located in the Members' Room and run two exclusive tours at 11.00 and 14.00. Each tour will give you an expert's guide of what there is to see and do at each palace.



Book Club

The book club has become one of the most popular events for members each month.

Our winter meeting dates are: 17 Nov, 14 Dec, 18 Jan, 15 Feb and 15 Mar.

The meetings start at 18.30 and are held in the Clore centre at Hampton Court Palace. Please email members@hrp.org.uk if you would like to be part of the group and receive emails about the books we are discussing. No need for a ticket but please let us know you're attending, £5 payable on the night. Find out more by visiting the members blog membersblog.hrp.org.uk



Lunchtime lectures

These monthly lunch lectures are a favourite among many members and the staff who have taken part. We have some super lectures coming up in the winter.

21 Nov: Tom Bennett, Creative Programming and Interpretation Manager, will be talking about the Kew Pagoda. Taking place in Apartment 33.

23 Jan: Deirdre Murphy, Senior Curator, will be talking about *Matters of national importance: clothing and textiles at the court of Queen Victoria* Hampton Court Palace, taking place in the Garden Room.

6 Feb: Viola Niscastro, Treatment Conservator, will be talking about Conservation of the Queen Anne Throne Canopy Hampton Court Palace, taking place in the Garden Room.

20 March: Ian Franklin, State Apartment Warder, will be talking about *Behind the Scenes* at Hampton Court Palace, taking place in the Garden Room.

24 April: Polly Putman, Collections Curator, will be talking about *Queen Charlotte's Cottage*, taking place in the Garden Room.

All the lectures start at 12 noon and tickets are £6, including a light lunch buffet.

Please note these lunchtime events are extremely popular so please book as early as possible to avoid disappointment.

Members' Annual Carol Service in the Chapel Royal

Date: 20 December starting at 19.30

Price: £10 for adults, £7.50 for children over 5

Firmly established as an annual tradition in the Historic Royal Palaces' calendar, the Members-only carol service is truly an occasion fit for a king – or queen! Join the choir of the

Chapel Royal and warm up those vocal chords for a very special service in Christmas week. This event is extremely popular and the Chapel Royal has limited capacity. Booking is essential and the event is only open to Members of Historic Royal Palaces.

Please note tickets go on sale at 09.00 on 16 November and no tickets will be sold before that date.



Kensington Palace

Kensington Palace Luncheons hosted by Jascot's Wine Merchants

Dates: 8 Dec and 9 Feb starting at 12 noon

Price: £45 including a 3-course lunch and wine

Lunch is led by one of our special guest experts from the Orangery wine supplier Jascots and features many different and interesting wines for you to try. These events are a great way to learn about delicious ways to pair food and wine.



Kew Palace

Kew Palace is now closed for the winter months and reopens on 1 April 2017

In the meantime you can still use your membership card to receive 10% off the entry fee to enter Kew Gardens. For more information please visit our website hrp.org.uk/KewPalace

How to book for members' events

You can book tickets for the members' events by telephoning 020 3166 6006 Monday to Friday, 09.00-17.00 or booking online at hrp.org.uk using your membership number and surname

Partnership Events

For more information about the Orchestra of the Age of Enlightenment please visit their website, www.oae.co.uk

Orchestra of the Age of Enlightenment rehearsals

We are delighted to be able to offer the following two Open Rehearsals to HRP members. They are very different programmes and fall in the first and second half of the Orchestra of the Age of Enlightenment's (OAE) season. Places are limited so please book early to avoid disappointment.

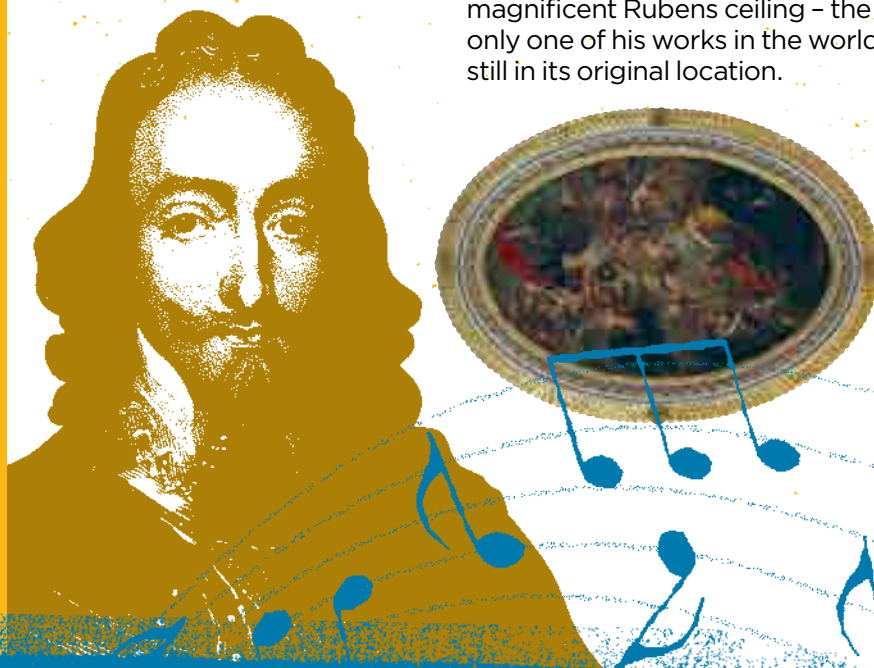
Banqueting House

The Execution of King Charles I

Date: 28 Jan, two tours starting promptly at 10.00 and 12 noon in the Undercroft

Price: £10

The Banqueting House at Whitehall was central to the Stuart dynasty, its magnificent painted ceiling by Peter Paul Rubens celebrating a monarch's Divine Right to rule. Join Siobhan Clarke to learn more about the war between King and Parliament and the execution of King Charles I at the Banqueting House on 30 January 1649. Find out what happened to the regicides – the men who challenged Divine Right and dared to kill a king.



Member-only tours of the Banqueting House

Dates: 11 and 24 Feb, 11 and 24 March starting promptly in the Undercroft at 10.00 and 12 noon

Price: £10

What happened to Henry VIII's great Whitehall Palace and what did the early Stuart kings do at the Banqueting House, its last remaining part? Although intended for plays and masques, this building is more famous as the place of execution of King Charles I. Explore its colourful and turbulent history with Siobhan Clarke and climb to the viewing gallery (not open to the public) for a closer look at the magnificent Rubens ceiling – the only one of his works in the world still in its original location.

Open Rehearsal: Christmas Oratorio Parts 1-3

Date: 9 Dec, 14.00-17.00

Price: Free, spaces are limited

Location: Cadogan Hall, 5 Sloane Terrace, London, SW1X 9DQ

This festive spectacular involves two big OAE firsts. It's their first trip to gorgeous Cadogan Hall, and renowned Bach specialist Masaaki Suzuki's debut with the Orchestra. Performed over two nights, this monumental retelling of the Christmas story is Baroque music at its finest and most ambitious. Come and join us at the final rehearsal of Christmas Oratorio Parts 1-3 which the Orchestra will be performing later the same evening.

Open Rehearsal: Faust and the Mozart Concertos

Date: 18 April, 14.00-17.00

Price: Free, spaces are limited

Location: Royal Festival Hall, Southbank Centre, Belvedere Rd, London, SE1 8XX

International star violinist Isabelle Faust wowed audiences in her "Look! No Conductor!" concert in 2012. She's back for more with a double dose of Mozart at this concert. Isabelle also explores a Haydn symphony, *La passione*, with a lightness of touch and emotional depth that make for compelling listening. Come and join us for one of the final Open Rehearsals of the season at OAE residency: The Royal Festival Hall.

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Medieval Christmas

Dates: 27 - 31 Dec, 11.30-15.30

Spend Christmas with King Richard III, Queen Anne Neville, and the knights and ladies of medieval England. With jesters and minstrels adding to the entertainment explore how the Tower wasn't just a prison and a fortress but a palace fit for royal celebration.



Kensington Palace

Victorian Christmas

Dates: 26 Nov - 2 Jan

Experience a magical Victorian Christmas at Kensington Palace, and take part in drop-in lantern making workshops, live Christmas music, after-dark carol singing in the palace, and a series of talks about Victorian Christmas food and pantomime.



Hampton Court Palace

BBC Good Food Festive Fayre

Dates: 9 - 11 Dec, members go free during the day!

Stock up for the festive season and enjoy delicious treats from artisan producers. Plus pick up fantastic Christmas gifts and soak up the atmosphere.

New this year! Late night shopping only tickets available from 16.00 - 20.00

Tickets: £5

HRP members: £4

Elizabethan Christmas

Dates: 21 - 23 Dec and 27 Dec - 1 Jan

Travel back in time as we celebrate the festive season in royal Tudor style. The ageing Queen Elizabeth I is in attendance and her palace bristles with live drama, Tudor cookery and musical performance.

What's on at the Chapel Royal

The Chapel Royal at Hampton Court Palace has been in continuous use for over 500 years. Everyone is welcome to attend the religious services below and of course the calendar throughout the year.

27 Nov: Advent Sunday

Holy Communion starts at 08.30, Sung Eucharist at 11.00 and Advent Carol Service at 15.30.

18 Dec: Nine Lessons and Carols
18.00.

24 Dec: Midnight Mass
23.00.

25 Dec: Christmas Day Service
Holy Communion 08.30 and Sung Eucharist at 11.00.

No tickets are required for these services and entry is free for members but you are advised to arrive early to secure a seat as capacity is limited.

For details of all the Christmas services please visit www.chapelroyal.org.uk

Ice skating

With quiet morning sessions ideal for younger children and families, leading into busy afternoon and bustling evening entertainment, we have fun and excitement for all age groups and skating abilities.

Hampton Court Palace Ice Rink

www.hamptoncourtpalaceicerink.co.uk

Enter HRP10 at the checkout to receive 10% HRP member discount

Tower of London Ice Rink

www.toweroflondonicerink.co.uk

Enter TOLM10 at the checkout to receive 10% HRP member discount

No need to book for non-member events unless otherwise stated.

Please see hrp.org.uk for more information.



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