

W Bryer and Sons (19th and 20th centuries) gold and silver refiners, watchmakers etc which is depicted here. This frieze was removed from their premises which were at 53-54 Barbican and their building was one of the few not completely destroyed by the bombing of December 1940 during the Second World War. The building was demolished in 1962 and this frieze erected here in 1975. Bryer Court commemorates them.



There is a ramp leading into a large concrete set of buildings. This is White Lyon Court and is the entrance to the Barbican Estate. You are about to go above ground and explore some of the high level City without having to cross a single road!

(walk up the ramp as far as you can an turn right were you should see part of an old tree)

Mendelssohn's Tree

This is part of a 500 year beech tree (fagus sylvatica) from Burnham beeches that fell in a storm in January 1990. It was said to be the favourite haunt of Felix Mendelssohn Batholdy (1808-1847). Sitting under the tree he gained inspiration especially when composing the incidental music to 'A Midsummer Night's Dream'. It was unveiled by Carl Davis, composer/conductor on 10th April1993.

