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Judy was born and grew up in the City of London and now lives close to the Barbican with her husband, Simon. Her education was at the University of London and the Institute of Archaeology UCL. She is a Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland. She also studied at the WSET School, where she obtained advanced qualifications in Wines, Spirits and Other Beverages.

Being a City-born child, Judy established involvement with the Civic City 29 years ago when she began employment with the City of London Corporation. She has worked in a variety of capacities in the Libraries and Archives Department, both at the City Business Library and the Guildhall. She has written many articles for City newsletters and magazines both on food and wine, but mainly on the City and its history.

Judy is a well-known face throughout the City. Recent and current roles include: President of the City Livery Club, Master of Cripplegate Ward Club, President of Farringdon Ward Club, Court Assistant & Hon. Archivist of the Worshipful Company of Upholders, Court Assistant of the Worshipful Company of Basketmakers, Member of the Governing Body of the United Wards' Club, Officer & Ale Taster for the Guildable Manor of Southwark, Hon. Archivist of the City Livery Club, Junior Vice Chairman of the City Livery Music Section, Dame Commandeur, Chancelier & Maître des Armes, for the Confrérie du Sabre d'Or, and Dame Chevalier of the Ordres des Coteaux de Champagne.

She is also a member of the Great 13, Past Masters Association, a life member of the Guild of Freemen, a member of the Royal Society of St. George (City of London and Westminster Branches) and a member of the Lady Masters' Association. Past roles include, Chairman and Hon. Secretary, City Livery Wine Circle (Founder member), Constable for the City of London for the Confrérie du Sabre d'Or and Immediate Past Chairman of the International Wine and Food Society, London Branch.

Judy's main interests include collecting antiquities, jewellery, science fiction/fantasy films, classical music/opera, fine dining and champagne.

