



Cripplegate Ward Club

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Master: Mrs Christine Nevard, MBE

A Tour of the Government Art Collection

with Supper at '*Steak & Lobster*'.

WEDNESDAY 23rd NOVEMBER 2016



This is a visit to a building in Queen's Yard, just off Tottenham Court Road, which is home to the UK Government's Art Collection or, more accurately, the part of it that is not currently adorning the walls of government buildings, embassies, and official residences throughout the world.

We will see a selection of works from the Collection which includes a mixture of traditional and modern pieces - portraiture, landscape and abstract.

We'll hear about the GAC's history and its role, and get a behind-the-scenes look at works as they are prepared for display. Our tour will also include the conservation workshop and with paintings regularly 'on the move' we'll discover some of the activities necessary to protect the artworks during shipping and how they conserve for differing climates. The tour will last about an hour and there will be plenty of time to ask questions. Photography is allowed.

Queen's Yard is a small alleyway off Tottenham Court Road (just opposite Howland Street), in-between two shops: "Cards Galore" and "Dreams, Bed Specialist". Go down the alley and about 25yards on the right hand side the GAC entrance is through a pair of large black doors. Your name will be with the Security Guard and we will all meet on the 4th Floor.

After what promises to be a fascinating and unusual visit, we'll walk just 3 minutes up the road to '*Steak & Lobster*' in Warren Street for a glass or two of wine and an informal two course supper. As the name suggests, the food options here are either Steak or (wait for it) Lobster. Please make your selections on the Booking Form.

BOOKING INFORMATION:

Members are again asked to return their Booking Forms to the Social Secretary using Royal Mail (enclosing a cheque or confirming EFT payment on the form). Places will be allocated in strict order of receipt of the completed booking form. E-mail or telephone reservations will not be possible. Due to very limited places, only one guest per member please.

You will be advised of the success (or otherwise) of your application as soon as possible.

- Arrive at 5.50pm for a tour starting at 6pm
- Nearest Tube: Goodge Street (2 minutes walk)
- DRESS: Casual
- Supper should finish around 9pm

COST: £45

(includes a tour of the Government Art Collection and a 2-course supper with red/white wines throughout).



**Please complete and return the Booking Form by Thursday 17th November 2016
Refunds for cancellations after this date cannot be provided.**

***Our next Event: Wednesday 14th December 2016
The Christmas Carol Service and Supper***

For further information on this and all other events, see the website at: www.cripplegatewardclub.org

Contact: David Herbert, Social Secretary