

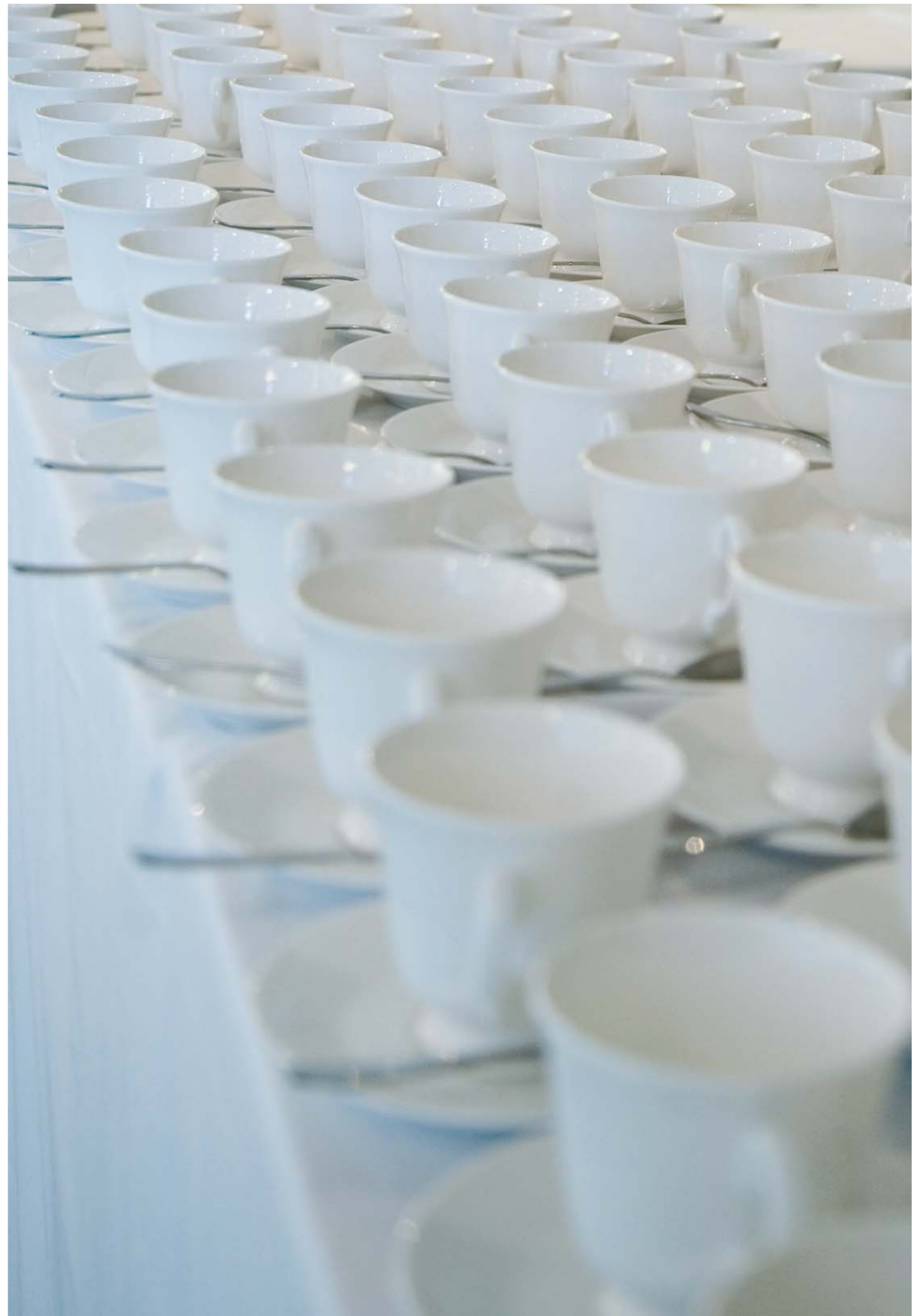
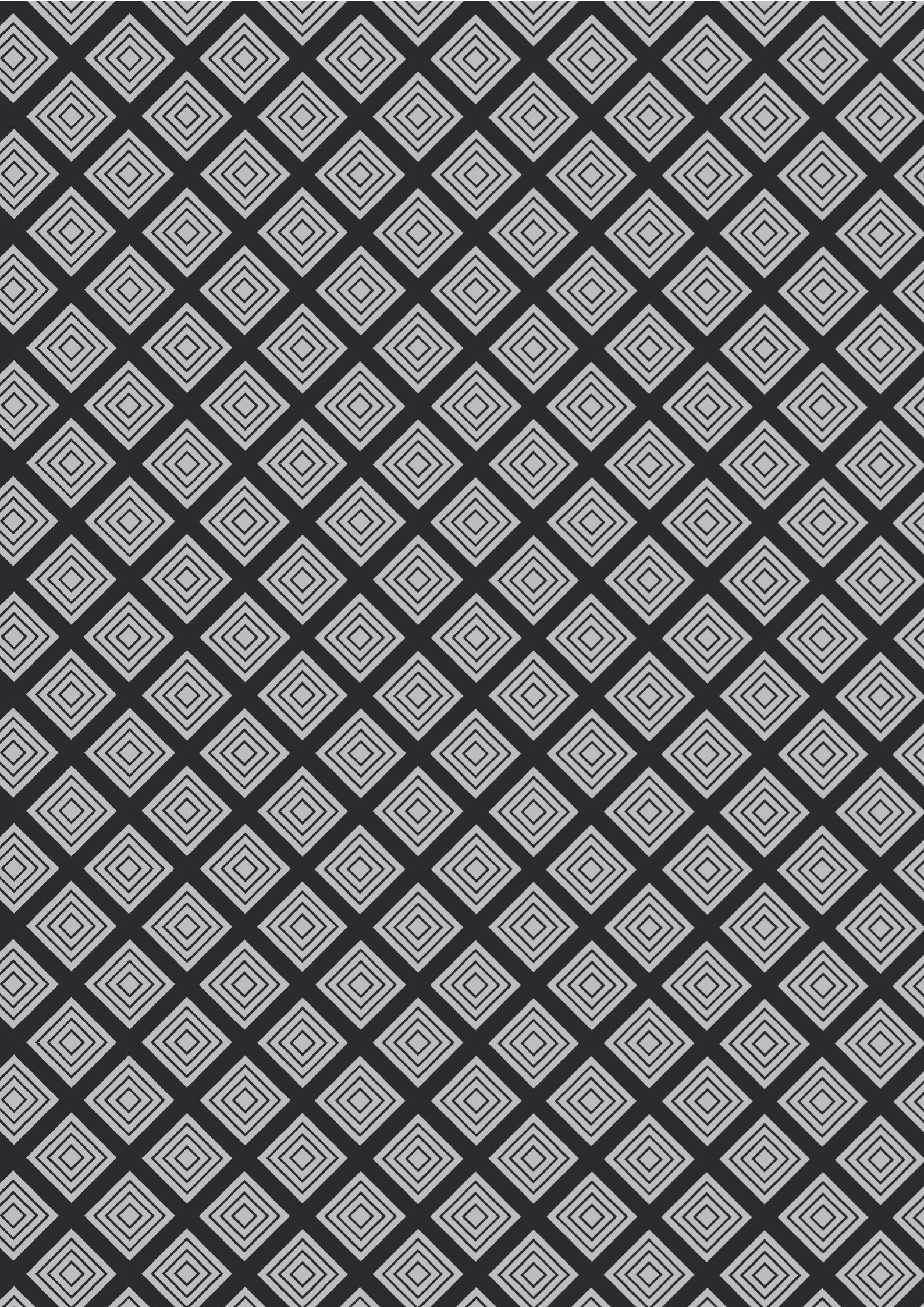
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Historic Royal Palaces is the independent charity that looks after the Tower of London, Hampton Court Palace, the Banqueting House, Kensington Palace and Kew Palace. We help everyone explore the story of how monarchs and people have shaped society, in some of the greatest palaces ever built.

We receive no funding from the Government or the Crown, so we depend on the support of our visitors, members, donors, volunteers and sponsors.



Many meetings held in our Historic Royal Palaces have changed the course of history, and continue to do so today. In 1604, King James I presided over the conference of ministers in the Great Hall at Hampton Court Palace which resulted in the new version of the Bible; 400 years later British Prime Minister Tony Blair chaired the prestigious conference of the European Heads of State or Government in the same hall.

An impressive conference that demonstrates flair and imagination, or a dynamic, team-building session that inspires people in a new and exciting environment, can be hugely motivating. Historic Royal Palaces offers a wealth of opportunities and a range of modern facilities for any style of business meeting, with the added bonus of fascinating history and centuries-old tradition.

- The **Tower of London**, symbol of power and influence, has large, modern, conference facilities in the heart of an ancient, iconic building.
- Majestic **Hampton Court Palace** offers space and tranquillity in the Garden Room to refresh hard-working minds.
- The magnificent **Banqueting House**, with its Rubens-painted ceiling, has the wow factor for an unforgettable power breakfast or product launch.
- **Kensington Palace**, elegant and sophisticated, offers a conference organiser something a little different in the heart of central London.

Our experienced events teams, who know the palaces intimately, can advise on the best venue for your conference, and help you plan to the last detail an impressive and enjoyable occasion in a memorable location.



Capacities	
Banqueting suite	
Cabaret	80
Theatre style	150
Meeting suite	
Boardroom	15
Cabaret	42
Theatre style	100
Syndicate room	6

Tower of London

For over 900 years the Tower of London has dominated the City of London and today is still one of the capital's most prominent landmarks, a world famous visitor attraction and World Heritage Site. Throughout its long history, the Tower has served as a royal residence, fortress, mint, menagerie, jewel house, armoury and, most notoriously, as a place of execution for several of its more prominent 'guests'.

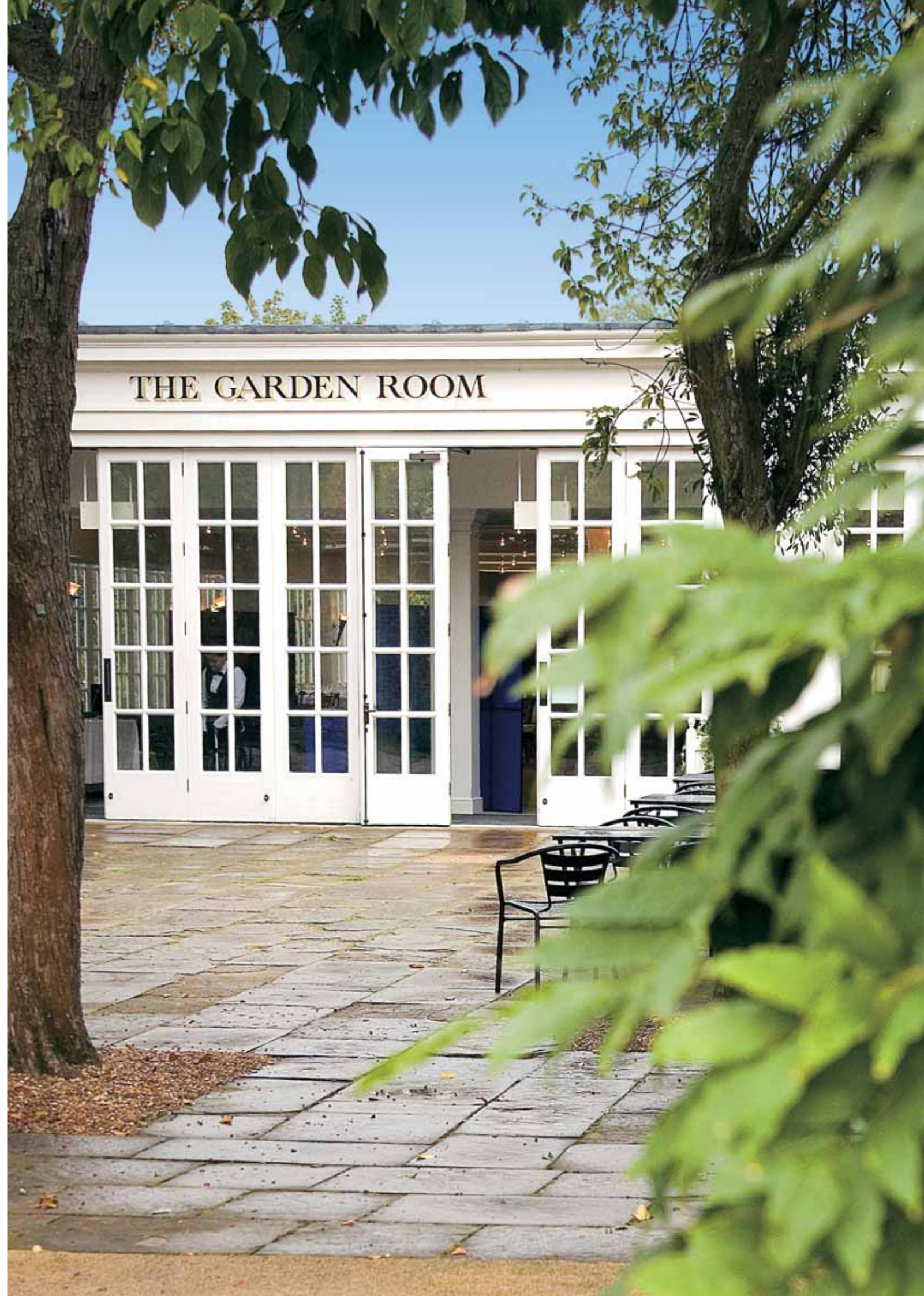
Today, the New Armouries building (originally constructed in 1663-4 as a military store) now houses a superb two-floor conference facility. The first-floor banqueting suite offers the meeting planner a range of options for larger meetings with over 100 delegates. The light and airy modern conference suite on the second floor is well suited to smaller groups. With room partitions in situ, this floor also lends itself to a variety of room set-ups, with the added bonus of state-of-the-art audio visual equipment and internet access available if required.

Both room hire and Day Delegate Rate packages are on offer to suit a variety of budgets. All delegates have access to the public areas of the Tower during opening hours, providing an opportunity for your colleagues and clients to absorb some memorable history along with business!





Capacities	
Boardroom	44
U shape	40
Cabaret	108
Classroom	80
Theatre style	140



Hampton Court Palace

Only 35 minutes from Waterloo, Hampton Court Palace sits in 60 acres of beautiful gardens, which include the famous maze and the awe-inspiring Great Vine which dates back to 1768. Henry VIII is most commonly associated with this majestic palace, which he extended and developed in grand style after acquiring it from Cardinal Wolsey in the 1520s. In the 17th century Sir Christopher Wren added elegant baroque apartments for King William III and Queen Mary.

Although built centuries later, our 1920s Garden Room continues that elegant style. This large, light and airy room, set in a quiet and secluded spot in the Hampton Court Gardens, is a versatile venue for many types of function, relaxed or formal. Conferences, seminars, exhibitions and business 'away-days' can all be accommodated in this special location.

There is easy access for production set up and delegate arrivals from the nearby A3, M3, M4 and M25. With five sets of French doors opening out onto a terrace and pleasant, tree-lined lawns, guests can dine al fresco, take afternoon tea while strolling through the gardens or use the area as a break-out. For the event that concludes with drinks or continues for a formal dinner, the majestic palace and all its treasure is only a short stroll away!

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Banqueting House

When it was completed in 1622, the Banqueting House astounded London society, and today it still has the power to dazzle and impress your clients and guests!

Leading your guests up the sweeping staircase to the awe-inspiring grandeur of the Main Hall, with its magnificent ceiling paintings by the Flemish artist Peter Paul Rubens, will ensure that you start your function with a flourish. The proportions of this elegant room - a perfect double cube - were calculated to meet the ancient Roman idea of perfection and create a sense of harmony. What better place to host a conference or seminar!

In conjunction with the Main Hall, the vaulted Undercroft is an ideal area for registration, coffee breaks and lunch or used on its own is an intriguing place to host smaller conferences or meetings.



Capacities	
Main Hall	
Classroom	390
Theatre	400
Undercroft	
Theatre	60





Capacities	
Boardroom	20
U shape	20
Cabaret	40
Classroom	30
Theatre style	60



Corporate support

Historic Royal Palaces' corporate supporters share our passion for history and they help us share our palaces with others.

There are numerous ways of getting involved including the enormously successful Corporate Membership Scheme, sponsorship of events and exhibitions and donations to our education and conservation work. Such support is vital, and without it we could not stage our most ambitious exhibitions, presentations and events. In return, our supporters receive outstanding service and a highly individual range of benefits, tailor-made to suit their own particular interests. These include strategic branding opportunities, exclusive entertainment and events packages, complimentary admission to the palaces for staff and clients, VIP tours and invitations to historic ceremonies and dinners amongst others.

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Kensington Palace

Set amid the tranquillity of Kensington Gardens in the heart of west London, Kensington Palace has been a royal residence for over 300 years.

Originally a private country house, the building was acquired in 1689 by William and Mary who commissioned Sir Christopher Wren to transform the site into their elegant new London home, away from the noise and bustle of Whitehall.

Today, the North Drawing Room is available for organisations to host conferences, meetings and away days in a variety of styles. It was in this actual room a baby was born to the Duchess of Kent. This little girl, who spent a luxurious but rather lonely childhood here, was named Princess Alexandrina Victoria - the future Queen Victoria.

The room is presented as it would have looked on that momentous day, which adds a unique historic atmosphere for your function.

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