



Picture this! Life through a royal lens

For the very first time from 15 May 2020, groups to Kensington Palace can visit this exciting new exhibition of private photos taken by members of the Royal Family including works by celebrated fashion photographer and husband to Princess Margaret, Antony Armstrong-Jones.

For almost 200 years, the medium of photography has created an unprecedented intimacy between crown and subject. Learn how Queen Victoria and Prince Albert's enthusiastic patronage of photography during its infancy helped this new invention receive greater scientific and public attention. Visitors will

also get the unique opportunity of seeing some of the earliest photographs taken and examples of intimate portraits commissioned by Victoria and Albert.

From the Victorian era to the 20th Century, the display will explore the impact of Cecil Beaton and Norman Parkinson's work. Images of Her Majesty The Queen among other loyal sitters will reveal how their work shaped changing public perceptions of the Royal Family.

The exhibition will be included in admission to the Palace. Pre-book your timed admission at www.hrp.org.uk.



Meet the Tower of London's newest Yeoman Warders

The Yeoman Warders or "Beefeaters" have been guarding the Tower of London since Tudor times. In a space of one year, the Tower has welcomed two new Yeoman Warders to the body.



Yeoman Warder Scott Kelly

Yeoman Warder Kelly served 24 years in the Army Air Corps and finished his career as a Sergeant Major, one of the most coveted, senior positions in the Armed Forces.



Yeoman Warder Gary Burridge

Burridge served in the Royal Navy for 32 years. He served in the very elite trade of Mine Warfare and reached

the rank of Chief Petty Officer, the equivalent of Warrant Officer Class 2 in the Army. He finished his service on the most iconic ship in the world, HMS Victory.

Read interviews with Scott and Gary on the digital Fanfare at www.hrp.org.uk/travel-trade.

Welcome George the Raven

The new Yeoman Warders are not the only additions to the Tower.

In May, the Tower of London welcomed four new members to the raven family, the first born at the Tower for over 30 years! In keeping with the tradition, only one chick, George, will join the current ravens as guardian of the Tower.

Why was he called George you ask? George was born on St Georges Day, so it seemed most appropriate!

Legend has it that if the ravens ever leave, the kingdom and the Tower of London would fall. Luckily, this iconic

building's future is now secured for visitors from all over the world to immerse themselves in history and maybe even get a photo with one of the resident ravens!



Festival of Gold 2020 is getting brighter!

From 10 April 2020, visitors to Hampton Court Palace will be able to intimately explore the story of the Grand European Summit between Henry VIII and François I in 1520, known as the Field of Cloth of Gold.

The exhibition will consist of six rooms and will be filled with artworks and artefacts dating back to the event itself. Such objects include factual letters, spending records and accounts of activities undertaken such as jousting and mass.

All's fair in love and war - discover how Henry VIII quickly turned against the new alliance and attacked France just one year later.

This unique exhibition will be included in palace admission and will complement the nine-day sporting festival held from 23-31 May 2020. More information on the exhibition and festival can be found at www.hrp.org.uk/travel-trade.



Palace highlights



Tower of London

Tower of London Food Festival

12-15 September

Punish or Pardon

26 October – 3 November

Victorian Christmas at the Tower of London

27-31 December



Hampton Court Palace

Hampton Court Food Festival

24-26 August

New! Bacton Altar Cloth display

Opening 12 October

Tudor Christmas at Hampton Court Palace

21 December – 5 January 2020



Kensington Palace

Last chance! Victoria: Woman and Crown

Until 5 January 2020

Victoria: A Royal Childhood

Life through a royal lens
New! Opens 15 May 2020

A Victorian Christmas at Kensington Palace

21 December – 5 January 2020



Banqueting House

Palace group tours
On request

Hidden History talks
Daily



Kew Palace and Royal Kitchens

Group tours on request
Season closes

29 September 2019

2020 Season

3 April – 27th September

The Great Pagoda

Open daily until
29 September



Hillsborough Castle and Gardens

Wild Raven, fire and light woodland walk

31 October – 3 November
between 17.00 – 21.00hrs

Christmas at Hillsborough

9 November – 5 January 2020

Castle and Garden Tours
Daily

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