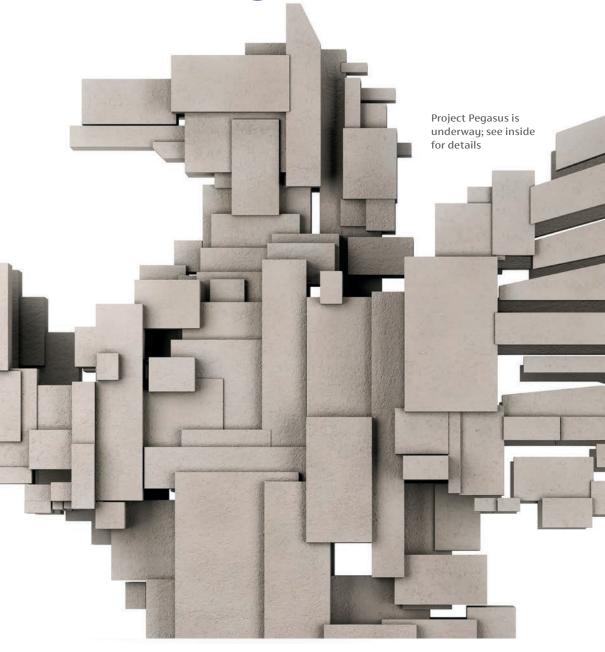


Newsletter of The Inner Temple

Easter 2019

# Raising the roof



# Project Pegasus

his new section of Innerview will keep you informed about the progress of the Project to deliver a new Education and Training Centre for the Inn, and to renovate and update the Treasury Building and Hall. Construction work will start in May this year with completion of the Project in spring 2021.

The current programme from April until July (with more information to follow) is broadly as follows:

- 18 April 2019 Last Lunch in Hall and Pegasus Bar closes until 2021
- 23 April Treasury Building decants
- 13 May Site handover to Sir Robert McAlpine Special Projects, the main contractor
- 20 May to 29 July Scaffold will be constructed over ten weeks
- 28 May Building works begin

# During Project Pegasus

During the construction period, all the Inn's activities that are housed in the Treasury Building and Hall will be relocated. If you are booking an event from May 2019 onwards, details of the venue will be clearly stated on the booking information. Please check the location carefully before booking. You can book events through our website



If you work or live in the Temple area and you would like to receive regular updates about Project Pegasus, please sign up for our Project Pegasus newsletter which will provide detailed information from Sir Robert McAlpine on planned phases of work during the construction period innertemple.org.uk/project-pegasus/ or you can contact us at views@innertemple.org.uk.



# The Inn's offices are located at:

### **1 Mitre Court**

Treasury Office, Treasurer's Office, Sub-Treasurer's Office, Porters' Office and IT Department

### 10 Fetter Lane (5th Floor)

Our temporary Library

### 3 King's Bench Walk South

Meeting rooms, Student Society accommodation and Catering Office

### 2 King's Bench Walk

Education & Training Department (as now)

### 6 King's Bench Walk

Collector's and Surveyor's Departments (as now)

### Lunch

During the intervening period, members will be able to exercise their reciprocal rights to lunch at the other Inns' Halls.

### **Car Parking and Showers**

The Car Park will still be available, though there will be a slight reduction in spaces. Daily parking permits can be purchased from the Treasury Office at 1 Mitre Court or online at **innertemple.org.uk/parking**. A shower facility can be accessed at 1 Mitre Court Buildings.

# The Inn's London based activities

The Inn will continue to deliver its entire Education and Training programme, with the only difference being that the main venue will be off-site. Most of the London-based education activities will take place at King's College London, at nearby Aldwych. Call Nights will continue to be held in the Temple Church, with receptions nearby.

A temporary Library will be situated at 10 Fetter Lane, a few minutes' walk from Inner Temple, and will continue to provide a full range of services to users.

The Inn's collegiate events will be taking place in a selection of prestigious nearby venues. We hope members will join us in discovering the beautiful livery companies on our doorstep. We shall have the traditional summer marquee in place again for this year and next for events such as our Summer Party and Temple Big Picnic.

# Catering Staff

As exciting as Project Pegasus is for the future of the Inn, the redevelopment work will necessitate some short-term upheavals. Due to rejection by the City of London to proposals for a temporary structure in the Garden, in which we had hoped to house the majority of our events and therefore retain our full catering operation, we will sadly be saying farewell to many of our friends and colleagues who have made the Inn's catering operation the great success it is.

The Inn wishes to continue working with our catering contractors, Searcys, and have signed a Heads of Agreement with them to cover the next few years. Searcys are also working

hard with their staff in the catering team to assist them into other jobs - the majority have already secured alternative jobs either with Searcys or elsewhere. Unfortunately, there will be a few redundancies.

We shall maintain a small Searcys team based at 3 King's Bench Walk to help with the transition including Vicky Portinari (Head of Catering) and Priya Patel (Deputy Head of Catering). Our intention is that with Searcys' help we will recruit back members of the team who wish to return to Inner Temple in the run-up to our reopening in 2021 and we look forward to seeing some familiar faces then.

### **Announcements**

Go to innertemple.org.uk/judicial to see our full list of judicial appointments

Master Sara Lawson (Sara Lawson QC) has been appointed to The Serious Fraud Office as its first female general counsel.

Master Marx (Dame Clare Marx DBE DL FRCS) was appointed President of the General Medical Council

His Honour Judge Andrew Menary QC has been appointed Senior Circuit Judge, Resident Judge at Liverpool Crown Court

Master Victoria Sharp (The Rt Hon Lady Justice Sharp DBE) has been appointed as President of the Queen's Bench Division from 23 June 2019. She will be the first woman President of the Queen's Bench Division.

## **New Silks**

### CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THE INNER TEMPLE NEW SILKS

Master Andenas (Dr Mads Andenas PhD MA
DPhil) (Honoris Causa)
William Bennett
Balraj Bhatia
Timothy Buley
John Cammegh
Nicholas Craig
Timothy Cray
Kevin Dent
Katherine Goddard
Michael Goodwin
Jonathan Hand
Mozammel Mohammad Hossain

Charlotte Kilroy
Dale Martin
Sian Mirchandani
Fionn Pilbrow
Jonathan Rees
James Roberts
Diya Sen Gupta
Mohinderpal Sethi
Daniel Shapiro
Christopher Smith
William Upton
Dr Guglielmo Verdirame
Damian Woodward-Carlton

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# Interested in becoming a Governing Bencher?

### By Master McCarthy

Have you ever wanted to be involved the decision-making around the Inn's education and training activities? Are you interested to know more about how the Inn manages its estate, library, garden, archives or art collection? Do you want to play a central role in developing the Inn's international relations? Or perhaps your interests are more Epicurean and you aspire to be Master of Revels, Master of the Drama Society or Master of the [very impressive] Cellar? If so, you should consider becoming a Governing Bencher

# THERE ARE THREE TYPES OF GOVERNING BENCHER

### **Barrister Governing Bencher**

A member of the Inn in practice as a selfemployed or an employed barrister.

### **Judicial Governing Bencher**

A member who holds a salaried judicial office in England and Wales.

### **Other Governing Bencher**

A member who holds or has held an office, appointment or position which in the opinion of the Treasurer should entitle them to be considered for election.

First, a few myths to dispel: Becoming a Bencher is not about convincing a brigade of senior silks and judges that you are 'Clubbable'. You do not need to be a silk to become a Bencher, nor do you need to be particularly senior. By coincidence, I had taken silk earlier in the year I was elected (2018), but I was nevertheless still relatively junior (2005 Call). Although I played my part in the Inn's education and training programme (mentoring student members, conducting scholarship interviews, assisting with open days and mock trials as part of the Inn's Pegasus Access and Support Scheme and so on), becoming a Bencher was not something that had crossed my

mind. If you had asked me, I would probably have told you that I was too junior. However, that turned out not to be the case since a Bencher I knew from scholarship interviews approached me to see if I was interested.

# How do you get elected?

In the event, the election process was entirely painless. First, I needed to pen a short CV and 200 words on my involvement with the Inn and the future contribution I intended to make. Then I found two further Benchers to support my nomination. The first was someone I knew from professional practice (it did not matter that we had not taken part in Inn activities together). The second was someone I had met through the Inner Temple Golfing Society (it did not matter that my ball typically spent more time in the heather than on the fairway). My nomination and supporting evidence was first considered and approved by the Bencher Nomination Committee (BNC) before being put to a vote at the next meeting of Governing Benchers (called Bench Table). It is possible that a nomination might be turned down because there are too many suitable candidates. If that happens, unsuccessful candidates are encouraged to throw their hat into the ring again: there is no embarrassment in not getting elected first time.

In the forthcoming 2019 elections, nominations from existing Governing Benchers will be invited in the usual way. In addition, the Inn is introducing an application process so if you think you have much to offer the Inn, you are encouraged to apply. The Inn's main concern is to identify those who have made – or will make – a significant contribution to the life and work of the Inn. This could be by participating on committees, assisting with education and training, or providing knowledge and experience to the Inn according to their particular areas of

expertise. The Inn also recognises that it is under-represented by members on circuits outside the South East, by black, Asian, and minority ethnic (BAME) backgrounds and by women. The Inn wants to ensure that its governing body reflects the composition of the Inn's overall membership (including students) and is particularly keen to encourage a diverse range of nominations and applications.

# What does the role of a Governing Bencher involve?

The Inn operates through a series of committees consisting of Governing Benchers and barrister members appointed by the Bar Liaison Committee. I was recently appointed to the Education & Training Committee which meets four times a year and is concerned with matters such as advocacy training for students and pupils, scholarships, pupil supervisor training, the Inn's outreach projects, student societies and the content of qualifying sessions. Governing Benchers meet altogether once every two months at Bench Table to discuss issues fundamental to the Inn, such as the Project Pegasus plans for the extensive redevelopment of a significant proportion of the Inn's facilities. Governing Benchers are also expected to assist the Inn with education and training, and with assessing students' suitability to be called to the Bar. There is a social aspect too. The Inn hosts a Benchers' dinner once a term - where longstanding Benchers are always very welcoming to new faces - and the more junior Benchers informally meet for lunch with increasing regularity.

Being a Governing Bencher of the Inn is hugely rewarding in terms of the contribution you make, and the friends and contacts you will meet along the way.

### **Hui Ling McCarthy QC**

# Are you eligible?

When assessing candidates, the BNC considers (1) ability and distinction in practice; (2) whether the candidate has demonstrated a strong likelihood that they will make a positive contribution as a Governing Bencher; and (3) the extent to which the candidate has already played a significant role in the affairs of the Inn or, more generally, in the legal profession. Nominations and applications are strongly encouraged from members from all walks of life in terms of practice area, circuit location, gender, ethnicity, religion, belief, disability or sexual orientation.

# How to apply

In April 2019, the Inn will publish information about the next elections on the Members' section of the Inn's website. The Sub-Treasurer, Greg Dorey CVO, or his Executive Assistant, Jennie Collis Price, will be happy to answer any questions. All enquiries will be treated confidentially. Email elections@innertemple.org.uk to find out more.

# Social Context of the Law

**MONDAY 13 MAY 2019** 

# Is Anything More Needed to Ensure Freedom of Speech?

### The Hon Robert French AC

(former Chief Justice of Australia, 2008-2017) and **Alan Rusbrigder** (former editor-in-chief of *The Guardian*), moderated by

### **Desmond Browne QC**

(former Chairman of the Bar and Joint Head of 5RB Chambers – specialist in media and communications law)



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Students:

www.innertemple.org.uk/events

Benchers and Members of Hall: members@innertemple.org.uk

www.innertemple.org.uk/events, or 020 7797 8250

### COST

Members: Free but booking essential Non Members: £10.25

### WHERE

The Temple Church EC4Y 7BB

### WHEN

5.30pm for 5.45pm Followed by a drinks reception in the Round

Equivalent to 1hr CPD



## Schools Project

Through the Schools Project, the Inner Temple works with Pathways to Law, the Social Mobility Foundation and a number of widening participation teams to encourage further social mobility and diversity in the profession.

We are hosting two further Schools Days this term and expect to welcome approximately 200 young people from sixth forms across England to participate in workshops and discussions, providing crucial information

on careers at the Bar. Previous Schools Days have been very well received with most attendees overwhelmingly rating the days as either excellent or very good.

The continued success of the Schools Project is largely down to the members who generously offer their time to work with our school students. If you would like to volunteer for a future Schools Day, please contact **Daisy Mortimer**.

# Dinners for Legal Academics

The Inn holds three dinners annually for legal academics, with academics and members attending each. The first of this year's dinners took place in March, hosted by Master Treasurer. The Inn redevelopment, Project Pegasus, is an opportunity for the Dinners for Legal Academics to be held on circuit and to strengthen the Inn's local connections with universities and its membership. In May the

Dinners will be held in Manchester on 1 May 2019 at Manchester Hall and in Birmingham on 21 May 2019 at Edgbaston Golf Club. If you're interested in meeting other members and legal academics and wish to attend these dinners, please contact **Edwina Koroma**.

## In Focus Events

In reviewing the current outreach provision of the Inn, the Outreach Team and Outreach Committee have found that people have wanted focused sessions to cover specific topics in more detail. To support people finding out detailed information on the profession, the Inn is going to extend the Insight events to provide In Focus workshops to cover specific information for people who come from backgrounds currently underrepresented in the profession.

The launch In Focus event Being LGBT+ and becoming a Barrister is to be held at Garden Court Chambers on 14 May 2019. The next event in the series Having a disability and becoming a Barrister on 11 June is likely to be a webinar.

We would welcome any members who identify with these groups and are willing to share their experiences. Please contact **Edwina Koroma**.

# Q&A Day and PASS Skills Day: Calling All Junior Barristers!

The Question & Answer Day for prospective members is run in conjunction with the Junior Bar Association. Due to be held on 23 June 2019, this is an intensive annual event for undergraduate students who wish to learn more about the work of barristers and different areas of law. We would particularly welcome members of the Junior Bar, those who entered the profession as mature students and members who have a disability and wish to be involved in this event. For more information, please contact **Struan Campbell**.

Following Q&A Day, on 24 and 25 June our residential course for students on the Pegasus Access and Support Scheme will be taking place. These days will be for university students from under-represented backgrounds at the Bar. We are looking for barristers and judges to support students in mock interviews and training for a mock trial. For more information, please contact **Daisy Mortimer**.

## ITSA 2019

### by Andre Williams

Inner Temple Student's Association (ITSA) were delighted to host our annual Burns Night at Inner Temple Hall. We were very pleased to welcome so many guests to enjoy an evening of traditional Scottish festivities, including a three-course meal complete with haggis and a wee dram, a wonderfully rousing toast to the haggis delivered by Robin Kingham, of Gough Square Chamnbers, and a ceilidh band to lead the most brave/tipsy in a highland jig. ITSA would like to take this opportunity to thank all who attended and made it such an enjoyable evening.

Following the success of last year's one day clinic, ITSA hosted another, two day, Pupillage

Application Clinic in January, where Inner Temple students had the opportunity to meet with practising barristers to receive feedback on their pupillage applications and to enjoy an opportunity to network afterwards at a drinks reception. All students who attended found the evenings extremely useful. They received great advice from barristers ranging from QCs sitting on pupillage committees to junior barristers and current pupils who had a wealth of recent experience in the application and interview process. We are very grateful to those who gave up their time to make the clinic a success and are delighted to help students in such a stressful time.

# Inner Temple Debating Society

By Anne Hogarth, Co-debating president

On Friday 18 and Saturday 19 January, Inner Temple Debating Society hosted the Inner Temple Debating Open. More than thirty teams from universities throughout the country competed in six rounds across the two days, for the chance to win the Harrison Plate (named in honour of the late Master Peter Harrison). We continued the tradition of holding a Pro-Am final, which featured teams comprised of one experienced debater and one novice debater.

This year, the Inner Temple Inter-Varsity was sponsored by No5 Chambers, who offered both financial support and assistance judging the competition. The entire committee would like to thank No5 Chambers for their assistance and generosity, which contributed greatly to the smooth running of the weekend. At the grand final the motion centred around, if given one single opportunity to discover your statistically ideal partner, whether you would use that chance. A group of experienced debating judges from a wide array of universities were joined on the final panel by Rebecca Livesey and Hashi Mohamed from No5 Chambers, alongside

Master Treasurer, Master Reader, Master Hodge and Master Kabir-Sheik. We would like to thank all the judges for helping to make the evening such a success. The final and accompanying black tie dinner were attended by members of the Harrison family, who we would like to thank for their support of this competition and debating at Inner Temple. The winners were Darion Hotan and Teck Wei Tan, who convinced both the experienced debaters and masters of the Inn that they deserved the victory through their excellently analysed and stylish arguments. Darion Hotan also won the prize for best speaker.

We would like to particularly thank the Chief Adjudicators who worked so hard both before and during the event to make it a success, and our tab team. The Presidents Anne Hogarth and Helen Ball were assisted by the rest of the Inner Temple Debating Society committee, as well as a number of generous volunteers from the society itself. The society is exceptionally grateful to Master Hodge for his support throughout the weekend, and to Adam Bracegirdle and his team, without whom the event would have been impossible.

## Reader's Lecture Series

The first lecture in this year's Reader's Lecture Series, entitled The History of the Law Officers, was given on 18 February by Robert Buckland QC, MP, Solicitor General and Master of the Bench. The second lecture was given by Paul McGarry SC, on 11 March and was entitled Brexit and the Irish Bar. Both videos are available to view on www. innertemple.org.uk/education

# The Inner Temple Drama Society

**By Simeon Wallis** 

2018 ended on a high with the sell-out success of our annual Christmas Pantomime. With an original script and lyrics written by members and a cast including GDL and BPTC students, pupils, barristers and benchers, Mother Goose ended the year with a bang and attracted a diverse array of new talent to the society. Special thanks go to Master Hodge for a cameo performance, which few in the audience are likely to forget!

The Drama Society has begun 2019 with a series of improv nights, which offer student members the chance to develop their performance skills in a relaxed setting. Special thanks to Master Christie for sparking this series to life, and to new student member Adam Smith for giving us the benefit of his considerable experience and leading our new weekly session. These are currently held in 3 King's Bench Walk at 6 30pm on Thursdays and all are welcome —

especially those with interviews to prepare for!

Looking ahead, the society has a busy slate of productions scheduled for the summer including two rehearsed readings of modern and classical theatre, and a full Shakespeare play in July. We will be casting these productions in March and seeking actors of all abilities to take on a range of roles, performing in various venues, including the Temple Church. To receive information about auditions please register your interest with innertempledrama@gmail.com or follow us on Facebook or Twitter.

# Immigration Law in a Hostile Environment

Each year, the Inn hosts three residential weekend qualifying sessions for its BPTC students. The weekends serve to provide the students with the opportunity to meet senior members of the Inn, to develop their advocacy skills in a relaxed and informal atmosphere and to hear from high profile experts in the area of law under discussion.

The second of this year's weekends was held in February at Highgate House in Northamptonshire and was entitled *Immigration Law in a Hostile Environment*. The 72 students and 18 barristers and judges in attendance were presented with a variety of opinions on immigration law, leading to spirited discussion and debate. Students

heard from a diverse panel including Grace Brown (Garden Court Chambers), Rehana Popal (10 KBW), Paul Dillane (Kaleidoscope), Lucy Mair (Garden Court North) and Owain Rhys James (Civitas Law), all expertly chaired by The Hon Mr Justice Peter Lane, who also delivered a highly stimulating key note speech on the Friday night. The weekend was a great success and we would like to thank all the students who attended as well as our barrister and judicial members from the Northern, North Eastern and Midlands circuits who taught at the weekend. In particular, we would like to thank Master Mark George for organising the event.



# The Inter-Varsity Mooting Competition 2019

by Kiera Oluwunmi

University College London's Neeva Desai and Robert Shu were the winners of this year's Inner Temple Inter-Varisty Moot, after a hard day's competition on 20 January 2019. Both Neeva and Robert were awarded the Inner Temple King of Bhutan Cup, mini-pupillages with QEB Hollis-Whiteman and a one-year free subscription to ICLR.

The runners up were Newcastle University's Chris Devine and Daniel Ingham who also displayed a very high standard of advocacy throughout the competition. The final took place in front of an esteemed panel of Benchers (Master Reader, Master Brougham and Master Hodge) as well as an enthusiastic audience.

This year's problem was set on the law of evidence and concerned the admissibility of an illegally recorded phone call and subsequent confession in an attempted arson trial. The 22 teams who took part submitted skeleton arguments for both the appellant and the respondent, giving them an opportunity to make submissions from each

# National Mooting success

Inner Temple's external mooters have enjoyed success in national competitions. Congratulations to Adeola Fadipe, Holly Armstrong and Serena Sekhon, who placed third in the LSE LGBT Featherstone Moot 2019 in February. Congratulations also to Liberty Crawford and Anastasia O'Brien who reached the finals of the University of Southampton Inns of Court Society Mooting Competition 2019. With international competitions

position in the preliminary rounds. The level of preparation and research conducted by all the teams was impressive, as was their ability to respond to judicial intervention, with all the mooters adapting and strengthening their arguments from round to round.

After lunch, the scores were counted, and the top eight teams competed in the quarter finals on a knock-out basis. A quick-fire debating workshop was held for the teams who didn't progress, which was much enjoyed by the mooters. The final took place in the Parliament Chamber, followed by an informal drinks reception to allow the remaining teams and the finalists to network with the judges and each other.

On behalf of the Inner Temple Mooting Society, I would like to thank all the teams who took part this year; the success of the competition really does depend on your participation. Additionally, a massive thank you must go to the practising barristers and academics who gave up their time to help judge the competition. Until next year!



2019 competition finalists, Liberty Crawford and Anastasia O'Brien

upcoming, it is hoped that the society keeps up this impressive track record. Our teams are a credit to themselves and the Inn!

# Call to the Bar Applications Deadline

The closing date for submitting applications for Call to the Bar is Friday 3 May. The Inn must have received a fully completed application by this date if you wish to be called at any of the ceremonies held this year.

All current BPTC students were sent a Call to the Bar application pack recently. If you have not received your copy, all relevant documents are available to download from www.innertemple. org.uk/calltothebar

# Marshalling

Judges with an interest in participating in the Inner Temple Marshalling Scheme, please contact **Richard Loveridge** for further information.

## Practice Management Course

On 12 January, the Inn hosted its annual Practice Management Course for pupils. This course offers advice to pupils on how to run their practice as a business in the modern world and provides information on the various obligations of new practitioners, including financial management, CPD, marketing, and the organisational aspects of

the business of being a barrister. We could not have provided this course without the participation of volunteers and would like to thank all those who helped, particularly the non-members including clerks, solicitors and Mason Bloom from Silver Levene accountants.

# New Practitioners' Advocacy & Ethics Course: April and June 2019

The Inn's New Practitioners' courses, which run in April and June, are already fully booked for this year, with only waiting list places available. There are two parts to the course: a residential weekend which includes the 9 hours' NPP advocacy requirement (plus a further 8 general CPD hours) and an Ethics Evening providing the full 3 hours' NPP ethics requirement.

The weekend events take place from the evening of Friday 12 April to lunchtime on Sunday 14 April, and Friday 14 June to Sunday 16 June at Wotton House in Dorking, Surrey

and cost £250, including accommodation, meals, course materials and a place on the coach to and from the venue. Participants will have the opportunity to cross-examine real expert witnesses. The Ethics Evenings are also included in this fee and will take place at King's College London on Monday 29 April and Thursday 20 June from 5.30pm to 8.30pm. Participants will discuss ethical problems in an interactive conference setting. To enquire about the waiting list for the course, please contact **David Miller**.

# Pupils Advocacy Course

So far this academic year, Inner Temple members have secured 121 first-six pupillages. In order to gain a practising certificate, first-six pupils must attend and pass an assessed advocacy course run by their Inn or circuit. The second of the Inn's annual compulsory advocacy courses for pupils took place in January and February, attended by 36 pupils. The

course comprises several sessions at the Inn (trial preparation, case analysis, and interlocutory applications) as well as a weekend of intensive advocacy training and video-review at Wotton House and a mock trial at the Royal Courts of Justice. We would like to thank the Inn's dedicated advocacy trainers for giving up numerous evenings and weekends to teach the Inn's pupils.



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# Bring a picnic and enjoy this family day in the Garden!

### **FEATURING**

Children's tree climbing with the Big Tree Climbing Company The Hobgoblin Theatre Company performing Hansel and Gretel; arts, crafts, activities and much more...



# Benchers' Night 21 February



The Treasurer gave a heartfelt speech on behalf of the Benchers to thank Head Chef, Mike Wilson, and all the catering staff for their years of excellent service.



# Temple Women's Forum: How Far Have We Come?











# Dinner for the Wales Circuit 15 March



# 28 February











## Recent Events

# Temple Employed Bar Forum 18 March



Master Cayley speaking on Prosecuting and Defending Before the International Courts







Bring a picnic blanket and come and enjoy the beautiful Inner Temple garden and hospitality with your family and friends

# TO BOOK



# Spring forward

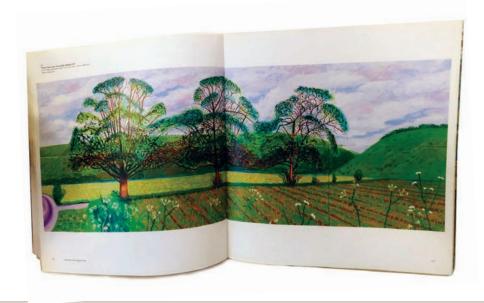
### Sean Harkin Head Gardener

new spring arrives and so a fresh season of renewal in the Garden. I do love all the seasons but there is something especially magical about spring with the lengthening days and burst of fresh energy. Blossom and bulbs are undeniably spring's defining image, though observing the unravelling buds on the bare branches of a tree becoming the first fresh leaves of the season has a quiet beauty which signals for me the re-awakening of the Garden.

Each year I recall David Hockney's wonderful exhibition at the RA in 2012 which included a series of large paintings depicting a group of trees through the different seasons with *Three Trees near Thixendale: Spring 2007* capturing in paint the freshness of this time of year. There is currently an exhibition at the Van Gogh Museum in Amsterdam, *Hockney - Van Gogh: The Joy of Nature* on until 26 May which I could not recommend enough if you get the chance to see it.

One of the skills that I try to pass onto those new to horticulture is the importance of observation and thinking for themselves. Looking back to when I was training at Wisley, this was one of the best lessons that was passed on. It is easy when new to a subject to follow 'rules' to the book without questioning why. An example that comes to mind is the adage that spring and autumn are the best times to plant in the garden. This isn't wrong, though one should always consider the specifics of climate, soil, what is being planted and their schedule.

I try to carry out tree planting between January and the end of February in London, which is a self-imposed rule though I do still break it. This is partly due to it fitting into our calendar of tasks, but it is mainly due to climate. We have long warm and dry summers that extend almost to Christmas in our central London micro-climate. It takes some time before we receive significant rain to replenish the water table. Alongside this,







From left to right: Muntech Kaur from (Society of Asian Lawyers); Prerna Bhardwaj (City Hindus Network); Jasvir Singh from (City Sikhs); Saima Zia (The Association of Muslim Lawyers); Remy Mohamed (The Association of Muslim Lawyers); and Aya Bdaiwi (Faith's Forum for London).

spring can also be dry so it leaves a short window, before things come into growth, for a newly planted tree's roots to settle into cool, moist ground before the season ahead.

One of the many things that makes the Garden so special is our diverse collection of trees. I feel it is important to continue to develop the collection for the future. I am also keen to develop further interest during the winter months with special barks, textures and flowers brightening this time of year. Regulars to the Garden will have noticed some new trees were planted in February - we did not break the rule this year!

We were fortunate to be approached by Saima from the Association of Muslim Lawyers to see if the Garden would like to participate in a multi faith tree planting initiative by the Faiths Forum for London. We had been planning to plant some new small trees with interesting bark, foliage and flowers to extend the season so what could be better than to take up the generosity of this initiative?

It was a grey and drizzly afternoon when representatives from the Inner Temple, the Muslim Association of Lawyers, City Sikhs, City Hindus Network and the Faith's Forum for London gathered to plant five small trees. These included a multi-stemmed Japanese maple Acer palamatum 'Sango Kaku' that has wonderful red bark; two Snake-bark maples, Acer davidii 'Viper' and 'George Forest', which have dusty white and deep burgundy bark respectively; in addition to a Mimosa (Acacia dealbata) with soft feathery foliage and yellow blossom in February; and a flowering cherry, Prunus 'Ukon', which has beautiful soft yellow blossom in spring.

With so much news of division and hatred in the world, it was so nice to meet with such a wonderful group of people who exemplified through the simple planting of trees the Inn's commitment to progression, tolerance and unity. I look forward to observing the trees establish, grow, and each spring enjoy that special moment the buds break into the new leaves for the season ahead.



## Saturday Opening

Opening Hours 10am to 5pm May - July 2019

4 May	Middle Temple*
11 May	Lincoln's Inn
18 May	Middle Temple
25 May	CLOSED
1 June	Gray's Inn
8 June	Middle Temple*
15 June	Lincoln's Inn
22 June	Middle Temple
29 June	Gray's Inn
6 July	Inner Temple
13 July	Lincoln's Inn
20 July	Middle Temple
27 July	Gray's Inn

<sup>\*</sup> Please note change of order

# Advanced Legal Research

The Library will be offering a second Qualifying Session on advanced legal research for current students as part of the Inn's BPTC Advocacy Day on 11 May. Booking should be made via

www.innertemple.org.uk/events.

# Temporary Library

Alternative premises to house a temporary Library outside the Inn for the duration of Project Pegasus have been taken at 10 Fetter Lane (5th floor).

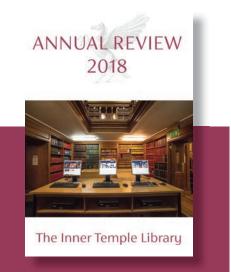
The Commonwealth collection, current and old editions of textbooks, journals and law reports as well as access to the subscription databases will be available in the temporary library, which will have about 30 reader places. Library staff will retrieve books from the Littleton Basement in response to users' requests, as they do now. The range of services provided by the Library including enquiries, document supply, legal research training and web services, will be available as usual. The opening hours will remain the same 9am to 8pm from Monday to Thursday and 9am to 7pm on Friday.

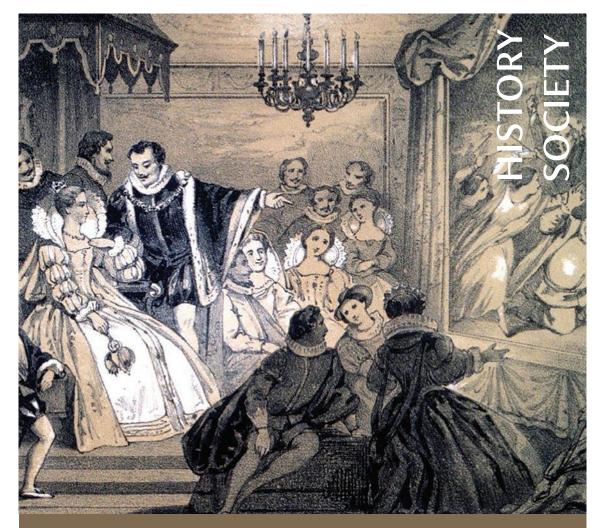
The Treasury Building and Library will close at Easter to allow time for the building to be cleared by mid-May.

More information on the opening date of the temporary Library will be posted on **www.innertemplelibrary.org.uk** as it becomes available.

## Annual Review

The Library's annual review of activities for 2018 is now on www.innertemplelibrary.org.uk





4 June 2019 5.30pm-9pm

# The Misfortunes of Arthur

The Temple Church

The Misfortunes of Arthur by Thomas Hughes is a tale of incest and murder based on the Arthurian legends. It was originally created for the 1587 Gray's Inn revels and last performed for Queen Elizabeth I at Greenwich Palace in 1588. The candlelit performance in the church will feature members of the Inn's Drama Society performing excerpts from the play, which will be interspersed with commentary by academics from King's College London. It will be the first time the play has been performed at an Inn of Court for 432 years and will be followed by a drinks reception in the Round.

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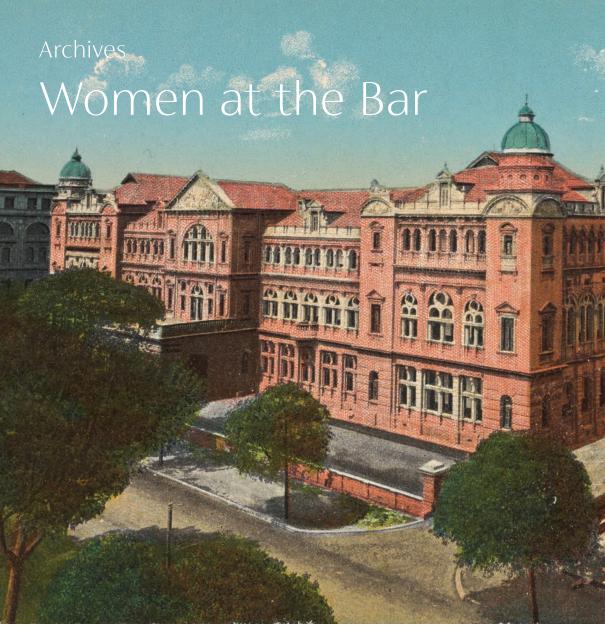
COST

Members & Public: £10.25 Inner Temple Students: Free WHERE

The Temple Church

WHEN

Doors Open: 5.30pm Play: 6pm - 9pm Followed by a drinks reception in the Round



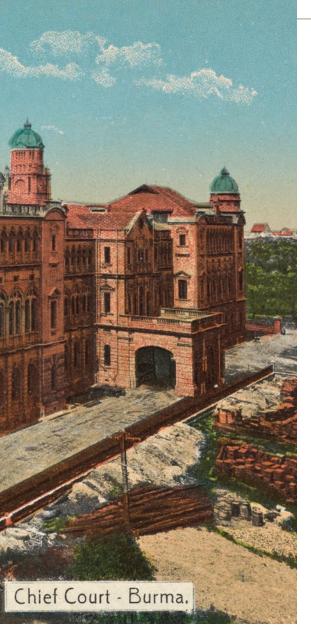
The Inner Temple is proud of the many firsts for women at the Bar; not only was the first English woman called to the Bar here in 1922 but both the first Burmese female law student and first female barrister were also members of the Inner Temple.

### First Burmese female law student

Coomee Rustom Dantra was the first Burmese woman to gain entry to an Inn of Court. Born on 23 September 1905 to a wealthy family in Rangoon. Dantra was the eldest daughter of Rustom Sorab Dantra and Shireen Spencer. Her father had been a member of the Middle Temple since 1892 and was called to the Bar in 1896. She was initially educated at Queen's Hill High School Darjeeling. In 1919 she came to England and joined South Hampstead High School. She then joined Inner Temple on 5 January 1924.

Her references include one from the headmistress of her school in South Hampstead who stated that Dantra was "one of our best pupils and is now Head Girl" and another from Bomanje Cowasjee, a family friend who was an English barrister, a senior member of the Burmese Bar and a member of Lincoln's Inn. His letter vouched for her suitability to be called to the Bar "I have known her since her infancy. She has lived with me and near me until she came to England and since then has spent her vacations with me and I have been in close touch with her." On the strength of these documents the Inner Temple admitted Dantra on 14 January 1924, making her the first Burmese woman at the Inns of Court.

Aside from her studies at Inner Temple, Dantra also achieved a BA degree in Law at Newnham College Cambridge. She was called to the Bar on 26 January 1928 and practised law as a barrister from until 1934. In 1932 she married a Dutchman, Jacob Cornelis Strooker, and afterwards became a translator charged with translating English from French, German and Dutch for publishing. She also translated for the International Military Tribunal in Tokyo in 1946.



The first Burmese female barrister

Ma Pwa Hmee was admitted to Inner Temple on 25 January 1924. As a strong supporter of women's rights, she initially decided to become a lawyer in order to benefit the women of Burma, believing that "many Burmese girls were well educated but were too timid to take up public work and needed encouragement." One of her letters of testimonial for entry to this Inn was written by the former Lieutenant Governor of Burma Harvey Adamson, who stated that "her family is well known and respected in Burma. Her father holds a position of trust in Rangoon Municipality. Ma Pwa Hmee has come to England to study for the Bar, an enterprise which I believe no other Burmese lady has hitherto undertaken. From what I see and hear I am confident she is worthy of encouragement".

She was called to the Bar on 17 November 1926. As only one of two women to be called to the Bar she attracted the attention of the press and was interviewed, providing us with a description on London and Londoners

through the eyes of a Burmese student in London:

Never in my life had I seen people in such a hurry as those tearing down the streets of London. I thought that their haste must be due to some special attraction in the next street. In one of the busy streets of the West End I remember waiting five or ten minutes to cross the road, and expecting the traffic to wait for me. Another of my difficulties was in understanding the language of the bus conductor who several times told me to 'Ole tight'.

She also mentioned the dress of the British girls "They have none of daintiness of our national costume, but of course our dress would be ridiculous here, for we wear skirts down to our ankles and we could not possibly run to catch to buses and trains as British girls do." She admired "the bearing of the British people, their erect bodies and even strides which show they have loved for generations long walks in the open air."

On 10 December she boarded the boat to Rangoon and in 1927 she became the first woman to be called to the Bar in Rangoon. Eight years later in February 1935 she made history again when she was appointed one of the first Honorary Magistrates in Rangoon. She married U Myint Thein, also a barrister and called to the Bar at Lincoln's Inn in 1925 and Chief Justice in Burma from 1957 to 1962.

All the above is taken from the research of Li Chen who has kindly provided the archive with biographical information relating to several pioneering Chinese and Burmese women.

# International News

### SINGAPORE

The Singapore Inner
Temple Association
held a successful
dinner in Singapore
on 9 January. The Inn
is well represented
in the Singapore
judiciary and at the
Singapore International
Commercial Court. The
dinner was organised by
SITA Secretary Master
Teh. Master Thorley,
Master Rix, Master Reyes

and Master Wei attended, as did Justice Vinodh Coomaraswamy, a member of the Inn and judge of the Supreme Court of Singapore. A further 14 members and guests were in attendance.



## SRI LANKA

The new Sri Lankan
High Commissioner,
Her Excellency Manisha
Gunasekera (appointed
23 October 2018),
lunched in Hall with
Master Treasurer, Master
Gloster, Master Dias,
Master Prandzioch and
the Sub-Treasurer on
22 January.

# International Appointments and Membership Activity: Making more of our members

The Inn's International Committee would like to hear from members with news of their, or any other Inner Templar's, appointment to an international court or in another jurisdiction. We would also be keen to learn more about the activities our members undertake overseas, including – but not

limited to – advocacy training; lectures; and of books they publish.

Please contact Jennie Collis Price, Secretary to the International Committee, at jcollisprice@innertemple.org.uk.

# Wellbeing

# Employee Assistance Programme

Wellbeing support available to the entire self-employed Bar, kindly funded by Bar Mutual Indemnity Fund (BMIF)

The Bar is a high-pressure profession, and self-employed status can often lead to a lack of support for wellbeing. To help tackle this, the Wellbeing at the Bar initiative (sponsored by the Inns and the Bar Council), has partnered with Health Assured\* to provide the profession with a free confidential\*\* telephone support and counselling service offering help and advice on issues including:

- Counselling and emotional support
- Family issues
- Bereavement
- Trauma
- Relationship issues
- · Stress-related conditions
- Addictions
- Tax information
- Legal information
- Medical information
- · Money management and debt

The service also includes access to a range of wellbeing factsheets, videos, self-help programmes, interactive tools and educational resources including webinars, mini-health checks and four-week self-help programmes covering topics such as sleep, smoking cessation, hydration and healthy eating.

The Criminal Bar Association successfully pioneered the Employee Assistance Programme for its members and the new Wellbeing at the Bar programme enhances this support and extends coverage to the whole self-employed Bar. (At this time the service does not cover undergraduate or BPTC students, who should be directed to their academic institution or student union for wellbeing advice.)

The service is also available to members of the Institute of Barristers' Clerks and members of the Legal Practice Management Association (who are covering costs for their members).

To find out more about the service, visit www.wellbeingatthebar.org.uk/eap



- \* All Health Assured staff are appropriately qualified and experienced and are governed by and adhere to the respective Code of Ethics and Practice of the British Association for Counselling and Psychotherapy and the British Psychological Society.
- \*\* The service is entirely confidential. No personal details are provided to the Bar Council or the regulator. You will be asked to identify as a self-employed barrister, member of the IBC or member of the LPMA for cross-billing purposes by Health Assured, who are running the service. The Bar Council will only receive anonymised data showing which groups have used the service and how. In order to provide the support services, Health Assured will collect personal data such as name, address, date of birth and in the case of structured counselling, GP contact details. All personal data is stored securely and will not be shared with the Bar Council or the regulator.

# Wellbeing

# SAVE THE DATE: Wellness for Law Forum 2019 Friday 21 June 2019 8.30am-5pm

For the third year, the Inn is proudly sponsoring the Wellness for Law Forum, an annual conference by Wellness for Law UK.

Wellness for Law UK is an initiative of Master Rachel Spearing, a practising barrister and Bencher of the Inn who is engaged with academic study and support for wellbeing in the legal profession. The co-founder of the Wellbeing at the Bar project, Master Spearing is also the Master of Wellbeing for The Inner Temple.

The 2019 Forum topic is *Trauma Risk Management for Law*. The one-day event will share updates in research, clinical knowledge and good practice to inform and support the legal profession on issues of wellbeing. It will include keynote addresses and talks; training sessions; and practical presentations for individuals, Chambers and organisations in developing policy, practice and support for staff and practitioners.



# Wellness for Law

Members of the Bar, Judges, Clerks, Practice Managers, Academics, Clinicians, Students and anyone with an interest in wellbeing and performance will be warmly welcome to attend.

The Wellness for Law Forum is a CPD event.

Further programme and booking details will be available in due course innertemple.org.uk/wellness2019 and on www.wellnessforlawuk.org

# Staff News



### **WANDA SZWED**

Wanda has joined the Sub-Treasurer's Office, as Personal Assistant to the Sub-Treasurer, from our Catering Department team, where she was the Office and Events Coordinator. We are delighted to welcome her to the team.

# Long Service

Many congratulations to the following members of staff who have completed significant periods of employment at the Inn.

## **30 YEARS**

Michael Ellis, Electrician's Labourer

## 20 YEARS

Jacqueline Fenton, Membership & Records Assistant

### 15 YEARS

Rene Hicks, Estates Office Manager

## 10 YEARS

Celia Pilkington, Archivist



6.45pm to 7.30pm
We are delighted to be hosting Private
Guest Night from the spectacular Vintner's
Hall. Champagne reception followed by a
three-course dinner.

### Tickets

Benchers: £84.00 Members of Hall: £70.45 Students: £33.70 Student guests: £37.45

### Book

innertemple.org.uk/pgn Rosy Humphrey on 020 7797 8264 members@innertemple.org.uk

# Dress Code Black tie

The Inn holds three Private Guest Nights each year. These wonderful social occasions are black tie events to which Students, Members of Hall and Benchers can invite friends, family, colleagues and clients to enjoy dining at some of London's historic livery companies.

Benchers may invite one guest. Members of Hall and Students may invite more than one guest, subject to capacity.



The Inner Temple, Middle Temple and Master's Garden are taking part in Open Garden Squares Weekend.

Buy a weekend ticket to explore a variety of private London gardens usually closed to the public.

# Temple Church

We are holding a choral service every Wednesday at 5.30pm during term-time.

# Special Services and Events

### MAY

Wednesday 1 May, 5.30pm EASTER CAROL SERVICE Music: Five Mystical Songs (Vaughan Williams)

Wednesday 22 May, 5.30pm CHORAL EVENSONG IN HONOUR OF WILLIAM MARSHAL Hero of Magna Carta, buried in the Temple

Church, 20 May 1219.

Guest Speaker: Professor David Carpenter

Thursday 23 May, 7.00pm CONCERT: HAYDN NELSON MASS The Temple Church Choir, Outcry Ensemble

Roger Sayer conductor

Tickets: www.templemusic.org

## JUNE

Wednesday 5 June, 5.30pm CHORAL EVENSONG IN COMMEMORATION OF D-DAY, 6 JUNE 1944.

Followed by Temple Organ Recital Soloist: Thomas Trotter

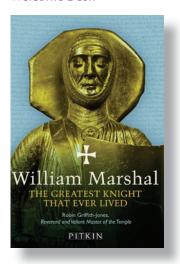
Wednesday 26 June, 5.30pm CHORAL EVENSONG FOR ST PETER'S DAY Followed by Temple Organ Recital Soloist: Olivier Latry

## JULY

Sunday 28 July, 11.15am CHORAL COMMUNION, BAPTISM AND CONFIRMATION

President and Preacher: The Rt Hon. and Rt Revd Dame Sarah Mullally If you, your children or grandchildren would like to consider confirmation this summer, kindly contact the Master of the Temple, **The Reverend Robin Griffith-Jones** who would be delighted to hear from you.

New book on sale at the Temple Church Welcome Desk



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Tuesday 30 April 7pm Temple Church

# Matthew Rose and Friends

Including: Katherine Broderick *soprano*Jan Schmolck *violin*Anna Tilbrook *piano* 

David Bruce New work for soprano and bass
Kate Whitley Full cycle of settings of Charlotte Mew poems
for bass and strings | Martin Suckling Songs from a Bright
September for bass and piano trio | Jordan Hunt Songs Without
for soprano and piano trio Richard Strauss Metamorphosen for
string septet

Matthew Rose's "gloriously, rich bass" (The Independent) has taken him to the leading opera houses and concert halls of the world, as well as gaining him a Grammy Award. It is hardly surprising therefore that he has an array of hugely talented musical friends to work with. Together they will present an exciting programme of new works written for voice and strings, followed by what is largely considered to be Strauss' greatest work, performed as he originally composed it, for string septet.

£20 £35 Includes post-concert drinks

In association with The Michael Cuddigan Trust



Tuesday 7 May 7pm Temple Church

Temple Song Czech Songs

Barbara Kozelj mezzo-soprano Nicky Spence tenor Julius Drake piano

Dvořák Biblical Songs; Gypsy Songs Janáček Moravian Folksongs; The Diary of One who Disappeared

This concert, of dramatic Czech songs, is in expert hands with Nicky Spence, who garnered huge critical acclaim for his role of Nikita in Janáček's *The House of the Dead* at the Royal Opera House in Spring 2018, and Slovenian mezzo Barbara Kozelj who, despite making her debut only five years ago, has rocketed to the top of her profession, making her BBC Proms debut last summer.

"The vocal star of the show was Barbara Kozelj. She is certainly a singer to watch in the future." Classical Source

£5 £15 £25 £35 £45





Thursday 23 May 7pm Temple Church

Haydn Nelson Mass

Temple Church Choir
Outcry Ensemble
Augusta Hebbert soprano
Ruth Kiang mezzo-soprano
Guy Cutting tenor
William Thomas bass
Roger Sayer conductor

Haydn Symphony No. 73; Te Deum; Nelson Mass

The renowned Temple Church Choir and outstanding musicians of the Outcry Ensemble open with one of Haydn's particularly adventurous works, the Symphony No. 73, before moving on to the glorious choral drama of *Te Deum*. However, the climax of the concert is the *Nelson Mass*, arguably Haydn's greatest choral work with its spirit of triumphant victory and honour.

"The Choir of Temple Church sang with passion as well as precision." The Independent

£15 £25 £35 £45



Thursday 6 June 7.30pm Temple Church

### Holst Singers

Stephen Layton conductor

Bruckner Motets | Bryd Mass for four voices

Bruckner's motets stand as monuments of sacred choral music: expressive, peaceful and yearning; quite possibly because, unlike so many other composers of sacred music, he was devotedly religious. Byrd lived in a different era, when his Catholic devotion had to be hidden, and yet his Mass is none the less powerful and passionate. Both will be given exquisitely beautiful performances in the magical atmosphere of the Temple Church by one of Britain's foremost choirs.

"The choir is not large, but the sound they make is immense, with each chord given a resonant afterglow by the souring spaces of the Temple Church.
The immensity isn't just a matter of power; it's to do with total focus and precision."

The Telegraph

£10 £15 £20





Thursday 4 July 7pm Middle Temple Hall

Temple Song A Rachmaninov Drama

## Sofia Fomina *soprano* Roderick Williams *baritone* Julius Drake *piano*

Rachmaninov The Solder's Wife; I was with her;

Oh, do not grieve!; Oh, never sing to me again; A ring;

She is as beautiful as midday; Before an icon;

In the silence of the night; Upon death of Chizhik;

Oh, no, I pray, don't leave!; Christ is risen; How fair this place is;

To children; Fate; The sounds are man; It cannot be; Music; Yesterday we met;

Two partings; Letter to K.S. Stanislawski

Rachmaninov composed over seventy songs and they all reflect an emotional, romantic temperament and the spirit of his homeland. Julius Drake has assembled a collection of these marvellous songs for two superb singers, the young Russian soprano Sofia Fomina and the British baritone Roderick Williams.

"Williams' rich, expressive tone was matched, for variety of tonal colour and rhythmic nuance, by Drake's admirable accompaniments.

Diction was crystal clear."

The Evening Standard

£5 £15 £20 £25 £35 £45 Includes interval drinks



## Temple Organ

The magnificent Temple Church organ is put through its paces at the hands, and feet, of some of today's finest organists performing a programme of glorious organ music.

Wednesday 5th June Thomas Trotte
Thursday 13th June Roger Sayer
Tuesday 18th June Greg Morris
Wednesday 26th June Olivier Latry

7.30pm Temple Church Tickets from £10 (£15 for 26th June) With 20% off for a series pass for all concerts.

To book for all of these concerts, and for details of the rest of our concerts this season, visit www.templemusic.org or call 020 7427 5641

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# Easter Term Diary

### **APRIL**

- 29 New Practitioners' Ethics Evening
- 30 Easter Term Law Sittings Begin
- 30 Education & Training Committee

### MAY

- 1 Student Societies Sub-Committee Pension Scheme Trustees Dinner for Legal Academics
- 2 Bench Table
- 2 Pupil Supervisors' Training Session
- 7 Investment Sub-Committee Advocacy Training Committee
- 8 Dinner for New Silks
- 11 BPTC Advocacy Day & Legal Research Training
- 13 Bar Liaison Committee
  - Social Context of the Law Series
- 14 Executive Committee
- 15 Scholarships CommitteeCOIC Board Meeting (LI)Rawlinson Cup Debate Final andReception
- 16 Benchers' Night
- 17-19 Highgate House Weekend
  - 21 Dinner for Legal Academics
  - 24 Easter Term Law Sittings End

## JUNE

4 Trinity Term Law Sittings Begin **History Society Play** 

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**Green: Qualifying Sessions** 

**Blue: Special Events** 

Bronze: Bencher only Events



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### catering@innertemple.org.uk

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