

## **BBC Club Prospero Society and Retired Members**

Dear Member,

We have had a very wet and windy quarters events. I certainly found out which items of my clothing were waterproof. I went to the Wallace Collection Tour and really enjoyed it. Our tour guide was very passionate and informative regarding the items and painting she brought our attention to. A painting by Fragonard of a girl on a swing wearing a pink frilly dress looked very chocolate box until she told the underlying story of erotic substance. Very saucy!!! At time of writing I am due at the Old Bailey on Saturday, only a tour, it should be interesting and I hope the leader counts us in and out, as it is not the sort of place to get left behind until Monday morning.

Thank you to the committee for the effort put into new ideas for events at our meeting last month. Again, as always, thank you to Gayner for this coming quarters events. Thank you to the leaders and co-ordinators who volunteer to help. We always need more, we cannot do the events without you and it always seems to be the same people, let us have some new ones please.

Please come and join us for the AGM which, we hope will be in the new Club. Have your say or come and support us. It would be equally good to know we are doing something right.

Happy Easter, don't eat too many chocolate eggs and see you at one of the events

Carol Elliott

Chairman, BBC Club, Prospero Society.

**Only 2 months of events in this newsletter. June events will be sent in May together with July and August.**

**REPLIES TO POSTAL AND EMAIL APPLICATIONS WILL BE SENT OUT ON TUESDAY 26TH MARCH AT THE EARLIEST.**

Please **do apply** but don't expect a reply before then as this is the first date that Gayner and I can get together to process the applications. After this date applications will be processed regularly.

Carol Elliott

Chairman, BBC Club Prospero Society.

*PLEASE NOTE! BBC Club Hub's new office address. Please email me your application request so I can save you a place even if you prefer to post a cheque. No need to use the application form if you prefer not to. A quick reminder, Some events do not require payment until quite close to the day so if no money has been handed over then a refund is possible. However increasingly now, payment is required at the time of booking so no refund is allowable as Prospero cannot be expected to incur a loss for nonattendance. If such an event does have a waiting list then the ticket can be reallocated. Booking deadlines are often payment deadlines. If an event doesn't have a deadline then availability can be found on the website: <https://www.bbcclub.com/clubs/connect/prospero>*



## Behind the Scenes Tour

Another chance to go behind the scenes at the National Archives in Kew, nearest Tube Kew Gardens, address postcode TW9 4AD. Tour includes the repositories and the reading rooms. It also includes a small display of documents en route. Lasting about 75 minutes the tour does involve walking or standing most of the time.

**A Coordinator is needed for this trip. Please indicate if you are willing to act as such.**

### Wednesday 10th April 2024 11.15am

Prospero Members £10 per person

Club members and Guests £12 per person

**limited spaces available, see the website for availability**

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### National Archives Tour

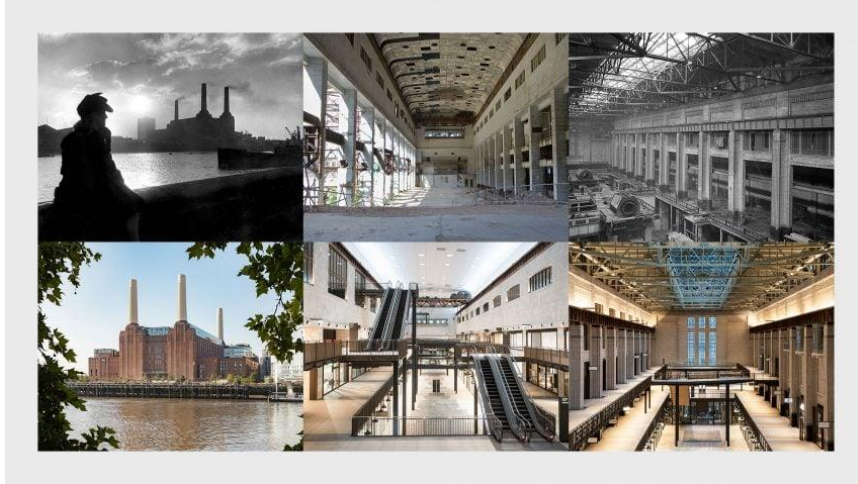
Name.....

Phone no:-..... e-mail.....

Prospero Member @ £10 ..... Club Member/guest @ £12.....

Total Amount £.....

Please email the application details to [BBC.Club@bbc.co.uk](mailto:BBC.Club@bbc.co.uk) (no need to use the form here if it is easier not to) and make a bank transfer to **BBC Club Sports & Leisure Ltd**, account number **01443319** Sort Code **30-00 02** using ARCHIVE as the reference **OR** write a cheque for the full amount to **BBC Club Sports & Leisure Ltd**. Alternatively if you don't have email, post a cheque with the application and any guest name(s) to Gayner Leach, BBC Club Hub, Floor 2, Zone A BBC Broadcasting House, Portland Place, London W1A 1AA. Please include an SAE for full details of the trip or returned cheque if fully booked.



## **BATTERSEA POWER STATION DEVELOPMENT**

Join Diana Kelsey on her walk. See the remarkable and imaginative redevelopment of Battersea Power Station. The industrial wharves and riverfront have been transformed into impressive gardens. The centre-piece of the residential development is by Frank Gehry – his first housing project in the UK. Only being up close to, and inside the power station can one fully appreciate the monumental scale of the building and the well-preserved Art Deco and 50's interiors of the two turbine halls – now a shopping mall. 2 – 2.5 hours duration starting at Battersea Power Station Tube on the Northern line.

**Thursday 25th April 2024 11.00 am**

**Prospero Members £17.00 per person  
Club Members and Guests £20.00 per person**

**This event needs a coordinator. Please indicate if you are able to help**

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**Battersea Power Station Walking Tour**

Name.....

Phone no:-..... e-mail.....

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£.....

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# Prospero AGM

Have your say and contribute to the way your Club is run.  
Prospero needs enthusiastic volunteers to keep going.  
No experience necessary!

**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2024 at 11am**

**BBC Club W1 at Media Cafe**

**BBC Broadcasting House, Portland Place,  
London W1A 1AA**

**Agenda for the Prospero 2024 AGM to be held on 14th May at BBC Club W1**

1. Opening remarks and welcome.
2. Apologies received
3. Submission and acceptance of Minutes of the 2023 AGM (available on the Prospero page of the BBC Club website)
4. Submission of financial report provided by the BBC Club office
5. Election of committee for 2024/2025 including Chair
6. General forum of members present

If you can indicate if you will be attending that would help us get an idea of numbers but please do come even if you haven't!

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING PHOTO ID AND YOUR BBC CLUB CARD  
TO GAIN ADMITTANCE TO BH.**



## Eyes on the Spies Walking Tour

London has always been central to the aims and objectives of both friend and foe From WW2, through the Cold War to present day conflicts. We visit the locations of espionage related deaths including the 'Polonium Plot' and The Mystery of The Body in the Bag'.

Join Paul Barfield who will show you where shadowy agents lured British intelligence personnel into betraying their own country. We pay tribute to the fallen at the site of one of British Policing's greatest tragedies, a murder at the hands of a tyrant.

Starting at Green Park station this walking tour covers about 2.5 miles and lasts about 2 hours 40 minutes.

### Thursday 23rd May 2024 11.15 am

**Prospero Members £16.00 per person**  
**Club Members and Guests £18.00 per person**

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**Eyes on the Spies Walking Tour**

Name.....

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