



**Dear Members,**

It has been lovely to see so many of you at events, we will continue to run some events on Zoom as our face to face events re-start to allow as many opportunities as possible for us to meet up.

**We are holding our AGM on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> October at 11.40am on Zoom. It will be followed by our 4<sup>th</sup> Anniversary virtual luncheon in the presence of the Lady Mayoress. You will need to provide your own lunch, we will provide the company and the entertainment! It is a really important day in our calendar, a chance to look back over the past year and thank our wonderful committees for all their hard work plus a chance to look forward to the forthcoming year and our plans. More details and the booking form is on the website, please book asap if you haven't already done so.**

If you are unable to attend and would like to make 'formal' apologies for the minute book, please use this link: <https://cityconsortssociety.wufoo.com/forms/k1gz9hju1jjv5cq/>

The Annual review and agenda have already been circulated and can also be found on our website in the members only pages in the section called AGM and official documents. Our constitution can also be read here.

**Other forthcoming events (all details and booking forms on website in diary events):** [Diary Events \(cityconsorts.org\)](https://cityconsortssociety.wufoo.com/forms/k1gz9hju1jjv5cq/)

**13<sup>th</sup> October 12.00**– Wizardry in Wood at Carpenters' Hall, the Turners' Company have arranged a tour for us from 12-2pm on Wednesday, please book direct with them using the special city consorts reference. Some of us are meeting for coffee beforehand at Finsbury Square Gardens.

**18<sup>th</sup> October 11am** – **Tea & Coffee in the City – Guided walk on Zoom.** Tea and coffee were part of the fabric of the City of London in the 18th and 19th Centuries. One was big business and the other fuelled the business! This virtual tour in the company of City Guide Jill Finch goes from Aldgate to Bank looking at just how important and high profile the City's caffeine fix was. Make yourself a coffee, sit back and enjoy the walk.

**20<sup>th</sup> October from 10.45am** – The Surrey/Sussex/Hants group are hosting an informal meet up at the Watts Gallery Guildford, meet at the Gallery Café. Please join local members Maggie Macdonald and Peter Cave and meet other members who live in the area.

**21<sup>st</sup> October 10.30am** – The North/Scotland/Wales group are hosting a Zoom Coffee morning to meet up with old friends and meet new members. If you live in Scotland, Wales or indeed anywhere Midlands upwards, please do join Gill Dawson.

**28<sup>th</sup> October 6pm** – **The Other Side of the Lens, we've all been photographed at City events and now here's a chance to find out what it's like to be on the other side of the lens.** City Consort member, Andy Sillett gives us an insight into the work of a professional photographer. He will cover City event photography, portraiture and street photography and chat to us about the tricks of the trade, the difficulties of group shots, the importance of light and the relationship with the subject. He will also tell us about his work during the pandemic, documenting front-line NHS staff. He promises not to mention his vintage camera collection! (Zoom event)

**1<sup>st</sup> November 11am** – Museum of London Talk (Zoom). Please join us for this very special talk, an overview of the museum and its collections followed by a fascinating talk about their Memories of London programme. This has been specifically developed for people with dementia, a subject that will be relevant to every single one of us at some stage in our lives. An in person follow up visit is being planned for the New Year.

**9<sup>th</sup> November 6pm – Captial City (Zoom)** We are absolutely thrilled to have Andrew Catto back for a virtual tour of the Square Mile the Capitals financial District. “The City of London has held top spot amongst the world’s financial centres for some years now. That position is under threat and was also not always the case. Join London Guide Andrew Catto for a virtual tour across the square mile where, as we ‘walk’, we will take in our modern great institutions and explore their often-humble origins, as well as casting some thought to an uncertain future.”

**15<sup>th</sup> November 11am** – City Safari. Blue Badge Guide Katie Wignall is back for a virtual Safari in the City! Do you know where you can find the camels? Have you ever noticed the beaver on Bishopsgate, or the Kangaroo near London Bridge? The closer you look you will find the City of London is a veritable zoo! There are sculptures and details of animals everywhere and they always have an interesting story to tell. So, don your khaki, and join Katie on a City Safari. We will search for the domestic and exotic animals all over the City and find out the meaning behind them.

We have lots of other events planned, please keep looking at the website as events will always be there first. Our annual Ironmongers Hall lunch will be held on 17<sup>th</sup> January 2022. This will open for bookings after the AGM.

If you need any help accessing the website, please email [C2Membersonly@gmail.com](mailto:C2Membersonly@gmail.com)

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Have you checked our Members’ Directory – find out who lives near you, do you want to send someone you have met a card or an email? If you would like to be included or any of your personal details have changed, please complete a new form here: [Members' Directory \(cityconsorts.org\)](http://Members'Directory(cityconsorts.org))

We look forward to seeing you on Friday.

Kind Regards

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