

History of Barber-Surgeons' Hall



The Worshipful Company of Barbers has had a Hall on the edge of the City, in the area of the northwest corner of the Roman Fort of London, since the 1440s. The first hall, built on the present site in 1441, burned down in the Great Fire of London in 1666. The hall was rebuilt and lost again, this time to the Luftwaffe in 1940, along with the rest of the old Barbican.

The current Hall opened on the 13th May 1969 by Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother.

The Hall has an amazing array of art and antiques dating back to Tudor times, central to this magnificent collection is a painting commissioned by Henry VIII by Hans Holbein showing the unification of the Company of Barbers and the Guild or Fellowship of Surgeons in 1540.

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An elegant London townhouse in the heart of the City of London built for entertaining.

Few venues rival Barber-Surgeons' Hall for grandeur and location. Situated against London Wall, with its own private garden and an art collection to rival any major gallery, its ideal for entertaining on a grand scale.

The Great Hall with its wood panelling, chandeliers and French doors opening onto the terrace is perfect for receptions, large dinners and conferences. The adjoining reception room is ideal for pre-dinner drinks.

The gardens surrounding the rear of the building make the venue popular with summer events allowing guests to access the medicinal garden, the ruins of the ancient Roman wall and spacious terrace.

Capacities

The Great Hall

RECEPTIONS	200
DINNERS CONFERENCES	152 170

The Front Rooms

RECEPTIONS 150

The Great Hall



The Front Rooms



Capacities

The Court Room

RECEPTIONS	50
DINNERS	20
CONFERENCES	60

The Livery Room

RECEPTIONS	80
DINNERS	40
CONFERENCES	60

The Court Room



The Livery Room



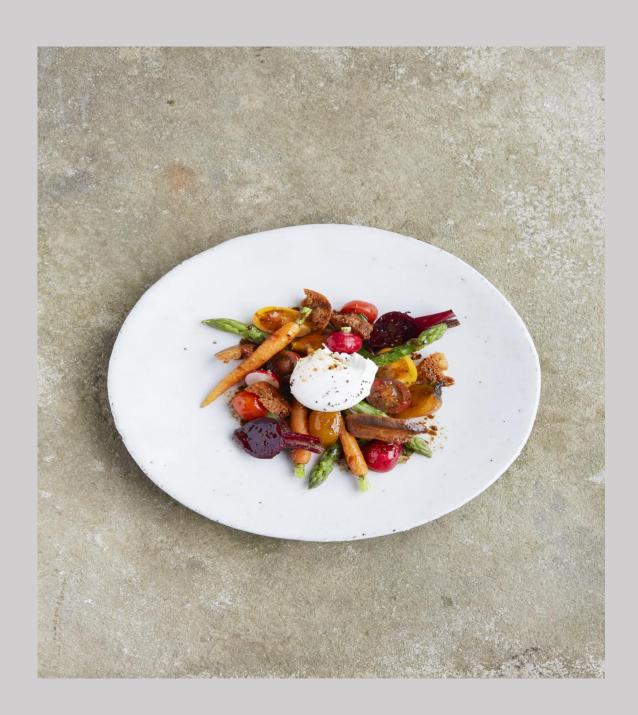


The WC of Barber-Surgeons' charitable work

The early guilds were benevolent and religious societies and charitable giving has always been an important feature of Livery Companies. Until the twentieth century charity in all but the richest Companies was dispensed largely to Company members, but nowadays the Company's charitable objectives reflect, in large part, its medical origins.

They embrace education (particularly in the field of medicine), the relief of suffering, and also the support of causes connected with London, particularly the City.





Party Ingredients

Great food and attention to detail are at the heart of every successful event. For over 40 years we have been creating perfectly styled and expertly executed events and here are a few reasons why:

The right people with the right experience

We are a team of specialist event professionals - chefs, managers and waiting staff with experience of catering at the very highest level. Our clients expect the finest seasonal produce, sourced from local suppliers in Royal Palaces, at State Banquets, and for Private Clients and we would bring that same level of service to your event.

Elegant Styling

Your event co-ordinator will work with you to create your ideal event, with advice on décor, linen, flowers and table settings.

SAMPLE MENU

Gin Cured Gravadlax, Shaved Fennel & Radish , Dill Crème Fraïche

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Poached Fillet of Hereford Beef, Beef Cheek Tortellini, Baby Vegetables, Basil Salsa

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Lemon and Yuzu Meringue Pie, White Peaches, Lemon Verbena Gel



SAMPLE MENU

Courgette Flowers stuffed with Feta and Pinenuts, Honey Dressing

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Mosaic of Salmon, Halibut and Monkfish, Dill Beurre Blanc, Balsamic Reduction, Fine Bean Bundle, New Potatoes

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Rich Chocolate & Sea Salt Pot, Blackcurrant Sorbet, White Chocolate Rosemary Soil



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