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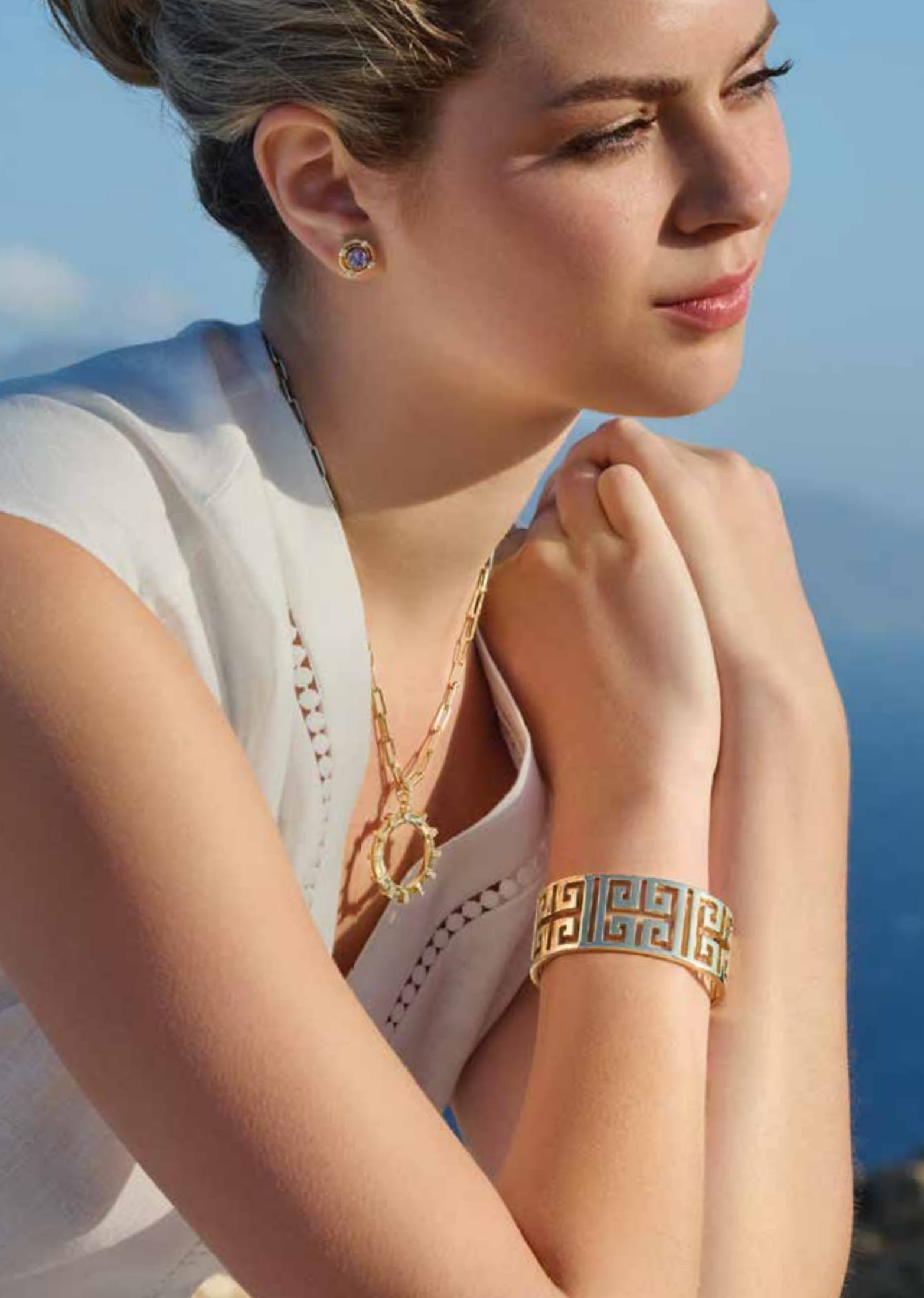
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The Trafalgar, 224-226 King's Road



JULY 10

CELEBRATING NAT KING COLE

A 30-piece swing orchestra will perform the beloved hits of Nat King Cole, from *L-O-V-E* to *Let's Face the Music and Dance*. You'll take a joyful journey through his life and music, with anecdotes and original orchestral arrangements to enjoy.

Cadogan Hall, 5 Sloane Terrace



Events diary

**JULY AND
AUGUST**

JULY 30 AND AUGUST 14

OUT OF HOURS DINO TOUR

Take a tour of the Natural History Museum before it opens up to the general public. You'll be met by a guide at 9am, then taken round the dinosaur gallery to learn more about Jurassic life.

You'll be able to ask any burning questions and get up close and personal with the exhibits.

*Natural History Museum,
Cromwell Road*

Calendar



THE HANDLEBARDS (FROM LEFT):
STANTON PLUMMER-CAMBRIDGE, MATT
MALTBY, LIAM MANSFIELD, PAUL HILLIAR
IMAGE: DANFORD SHOWAN

JULY 7

AS YOU LIKE IT

The HandleBards are a troupe of four actors who specialise in performing Shakespeare on bicycles. Their outdoor production of *As You Like It* promises hijinks, misunderstandings, disguises and more. *The Royal Hospital, Royal Hospital Road*



UNTIL JULY 25

ARCHDUKE

The next instalment in the Royal Court's 70th anniversary season is *Archduke*, which follows a hapless group of assassins who set out to kill Archduke Franz Ferdinand. Expect a darkly comic treat, which asks big questions about radicalisation, mortality and history. *The Royal Court, Sloane Square*

IMAGE: GUY SANDERS

AUGUST 7-9

**LONGINES
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CHAMPIONS TOUR**

Experience showjumping at the highest level at this star-studded showcase. You'll see international stars such as Pieter Devos and Jessica Springsteen alongside homegrown British talent including Ben Maher, Scott Brash and Harry Charles. *Royal Hospital, Royal Hospital Road*



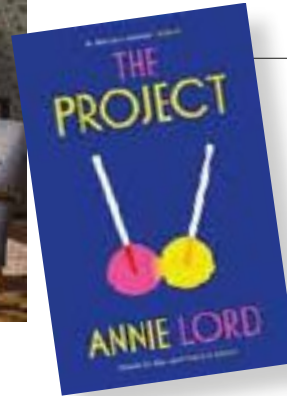
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AUGUST 7 HOME DESIGN TALK

If you're looking to refresh your home, this expert talk at Peter Jones could be the perfect place to pick up some inspiration. This month's focus will be the "modern rustic" aesthetic, with its combination of organic materials and clean lines. You'll receive a glass of fizz to enjoy as you listen.

Peter Jones, Sloane Square



JULY 14 AN EVENING WITH ANNIE LORD

Vogue dating columnist and author Annie Lord is coming to BookBar to discuss her new novel, *The Project*.

It's a messy, relatable rom com about two girls searching for love.

BookBar, 11 Chelsea Manor Street



AUGUST 7 - SEPTEMBER 11

THE INTERNATIONAL PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBITION

The world's longest running photography competition returns to Saatchi Gallery for its 167th exhibition. After a competitive selection process, the Royal Photographic Society chose the work of 48 photographers to be displayed. This year's chosen images engage with themes like family, culture, conflict and the environment, inviting you to look at our world from a new perspective.

Saatchi Gallery, Duke of York Square

JULY 27

ROBERT LYMAN LECTURE

Author and historian Robert Lyman will tell the Chelsea Society how a small group of men launched a raid on the German-held port of Saint-Nazaire during the Second World War, winning a victory that would change the course of history.

Chelsea Old Town Hall, King's Road





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JULY 12

EVERYMAN THROWBACK: INCEPTION

Everyman Cinemas is throwing a Christopher Nolan season in preparation for the release of his blockbuster adaptation of the *Odyssey*. Don't miss your chance to revisit *Inception* on the big screen – a mind-bending classic starring Leonardo DiCaprio. At Everyman you can enjoy the screening in a comfortable armchair, with food and drink brought to your table.
Everyman Chelsea, 279 King's Road



IMAGE: FLICKR

SEPTEMBER 3

MEET ANN PATCHETT

Ann Patchett, the author of *State of Wonder* and *Tom Lake*, is known for her gentle, wise and melancholy fiction. She's visiting Chelsea to sign her latest novel, *Whistler* – come along to meet Ann and secure your copy.

*Waterstones,
158 King's Road*



IMAGE: WIKIMEDIA



AUGUST 2

THE SINGING GARDEN

Singer and composer Muco will lead an interactive walk through Chelsea Physic Garden, focusing on the connection between plants, folklore and music. You'll learn about birdsong melodies, bards, poison, fairies and foxes, leaving with a new appreciation for the stories we've created about the world around us.
Chelsea Physic Garden, 66 Royal Hospital Road



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You'll be able to enjoy traditional treats including strawberries and cream, Pimm's and champagne, as well as the Duke of York Square Food Market on Saturday. Meanwhile, children can take part in fun tennis-themed activities led by expert instructors.

*July 10-12, with screenings of men's semi-finals and men's and women's finals. Duke of York Square
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298 King's Road

BLUEBIRD CHELSEA

Bluebird is transforming its terrace into an al fresco destination for sports lovers. You'll be able to watch everything from the Formula One British Grand Prix to the World Cup live on big screens with full sound, accompanied by delicious food and drink.

350 King's Road



THE TRAFALGAR

Is it coming home? Only time will tell. The Trafalgar will be holding big-screen live viewings of every England game, combined with cold pints and bar snacks. Every weekday from 4pm to 6:30pm and on Fridays and Saturdays from 10pm to midnight the pub offers a "£5 pour menu", allowing you to enjoy a pint or a glass of wine for just £5.

224-226 King's Road

THE COOPERS ARMS

Enjoy every match of the Wimbledon tennis championships with a sparkling summer spritz in the pub garden, or settle in for World Cup games with some traditional pub grub.

87 Flood Street





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News / July



FOUR LOCAL ORGANISATIONS have joined forces to launch The Beacon Partnership, bringing advice, support and care to low income households on Chelsea's World's End estate. Formed by Family Friends, Nucleus Legal Centre, Ubuntu Pledge and the K + C Foundation, the Beacon Partnerships will support 250 households a year with everything from mental health care to skills training.

Funders including Cadogan have committed to support the Beacon Partnership for the next three years, so residents don't need to worry about their vital support suddenly disappearing.

THEO FENNELL HAS released his second autobiographical volume, *The Glory Years*. The Chelsea-based jeweller shares anecdotes from his colourful life, from sporting catastrophes to failed pick-ups and driving disasters.

Available at Waterstones, 158 King's Road



THE SCIENCE MUSEUM has launched an exciting new interactive afternoon tea. Rather than just sitting down to your scones and sandwiches, you're invited to create an electrical circuit out of cake, build your own fizzy lava lamp and run experiments with milk. Who said you shouldn't play with your food?

Science Museum, Exhibition Road



PAOLO CARAFFINI, co-founder of the beloved local institution Caraffini, has died aged 86. He established the restaurant with his colleague Frank di Rienzo in 1994, and it has since welcomed customers from Joan Collins to Princess Diana. Caraffini continues under the care of Paolo's daughter Francesca and di Rienzo's son Matthew.

Caraffini, 61-63 Lower Sloane Street



MASLOW'S KENSINGTON is a new private member's club, with a focus on wellbeing and fitness. You'll find a gym and movement studio with cutting edge performance diagnostic tools, a weekly run club led by former Great Britain athlete Georgia Francis, and a nutrition-led cafe serving lion's mane coffee, kombucha and cold-pressed immunity shots.

Maslow's, 1 Wrights Lane

CHELSEA JEWELLER Robinson Pelham is celebrating its 30th anniversary. Founded in 1996 by Vanessa Chilton, Zoe Benyon and Kate Pelham Burn, it has an ethos of sustainability and offers repairs and revamps to ensure that each piece can last you a lifetime.

Robinson Pelham, 39 Elystan Street





DEMELLIER IS OPENING its first London flagship on Sloane Square, full of chic, carefully crafted handbags made from the finest materials. Whether you're searching for the perfect versatile cross-body or the most elegant evening clutch, this will be your one-stop shop - opening in Autumn.
De Meller, 35-37 Sloane Square

MS LAURA RODGERS has been announced as the new head of Francis Holland from January 2027. She says: "I am absolutely delighted to be joining Francis Holland Preparatory School. It will be a huge privilege to lead such an incredible school community and I am very much looking forward to getting to know all of the staff, families and, most importantly, the creative, curious and courageous girls."

Francis Holland, 15 Manresa Road



SARAH EBERLE BECAME one of only three women in the history of Chelsea Flower Show to win Best in Show as a solo designer. Her garden featured a sleeping sculpture of Mother Nature carved from a fallen tree, as well as shallow pools, a dry stone wall and UK native flowering plants. The "on the edge" garden was created for The Campaign to Protect Rural England, and was inspired by the overlooked edgelands of towns and cities.

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CHELSEA IN BLOOM 2026 WAS A CELESTIAL SPECTACLE

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Cosmic creations



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TOWERING FLORAL SCULPTURES, creative installations and colourful rickshaw rides: Chelsea in Bloom returned in May for another unmissable spectacle. A record-breaking 146 businesses took part, allowing the botanical brilliance of Chelsea Flower Show to spill out into the surrounding streets.

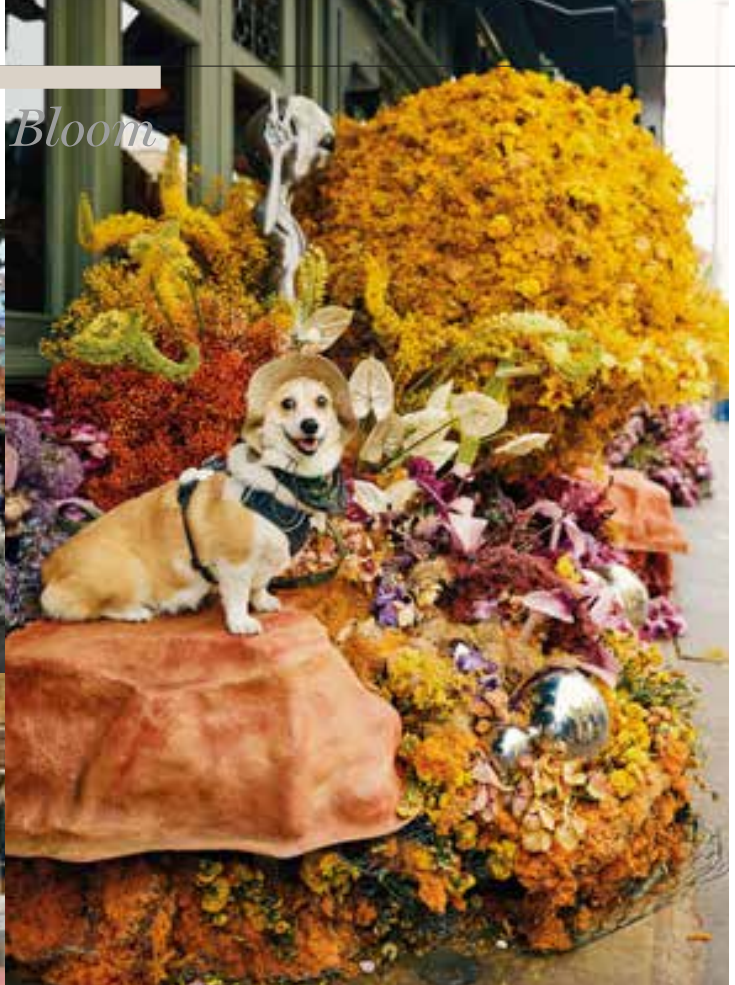
The theme for 2026 was “Out Of This World”, taking inspiration from the allure of space travel, astrology and spiritual symbolism. Participants interpreted it in a number of ways, from lunar landscapes and scenes from mythology to astronauts, aliens and tributes to the “Starman” himself, David Bowie.

This year there was even more to celebrate, with David Attenborough’s 100th birthday falling in May. An enormous floral globe on the King’s Road paid tribute to him and his immense contribution to the

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natural world.

Other displays included a dragon and Pegasus on Sloane Street and a colourful UFO hovering over Pavilion Road.

With so much to see, many visitors opted to take a complimentary rickshaw ride around the area, or joined a free guided walking tour to explore some of the highlights. As well as creating displays, many local businesses joined in the fun by offering themed products and experiences: visitors could buy limited-edition items, try themed cocktails, have free Tarot readings and dance the night away at vinyl discos.

The winners of Chelsea in Bloom were selected by a panel of expert judges, who visited every display before awarding four top prizes. The fifth and final winner was selected by public vote, with Chelsea locals encouraged to choose their favourite.

Here's to another year of floral brilliance!

Chelsea in Bloom is produced by Cadogan in association with the Royal Horticultural Society



MEET THE WINNERS

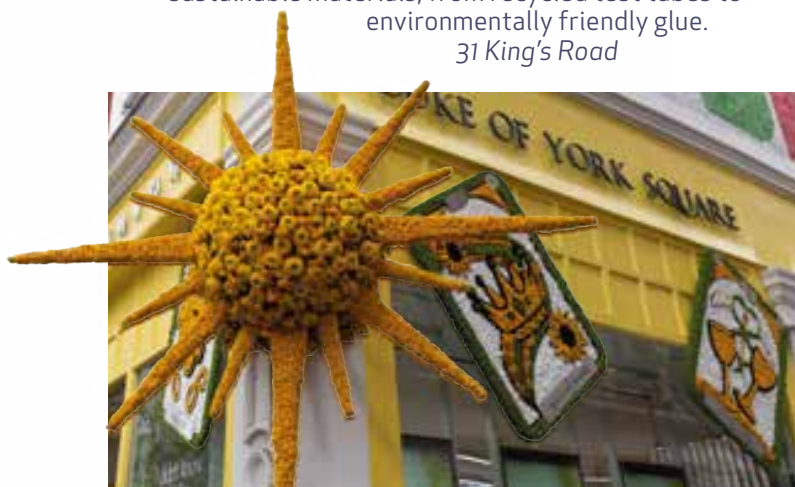
Discover the five displays that came away with top prizes...

People's Champion

Trinny London

The public selected this Tarot-inspired display as their worthy winner. The installation used sustainable materials, from recycled test tubes to environmentally friendly glue.

31 King's Road



Highly Commended

Chelsea Heritage Quarter

This display was created by Daniela Lane, the winner of a competition for floristry students at Capel Manor College. Her sculptural design was made with reclaimed driftwood and featured Poseidon flanked by his horses.

National Army Museum,
Royal Hospital Road



Best Floral Display

Astrid & Miyu

The judging panel awarded their top prize to this elegant display – a mossy landscape scattered with silver comets and constellations. The entire structure was fully recyclable and biodegradable.

192 King's Road



Innovation Award

The Conran Shop

This creative installation used pressed flowers set between sheets of acrylic, creating a swirling floral galaxy that required no maintenance.

16 Sloane Square



Highly Commended

N Peal

This striking display was inspired by Mongolian goat herders, whose lives are guided by the stars. Charred plywood shapes evoked a horizon of mountains, while many of the plants used were of Mongolian origin.

159 Sloane Street



MOVIE MAGIC

CURZON IS RETURNING TO CHELSEA THIS AUTUMN



IN 1890, pioneering film-maker William Friese-Greene used a custom camera to record “Traffic in King’s Road”, one of the earliest motion pictures of London. From his studio at 196 King’s Road (later the site of the Gaumont Palace cinema, now The Gaumont) he experimented with motion picture techniques, and even went on to patent an early colour filming process in 1905.

Since then, Chelsea has continued to play an important role in the history of film. From early cinemas such as the Chelsea Picture Playhouse (opened in 1913) to local residents including Michael Caine, Laurence Olivier and James Barry, it has always had a special link to the silver screen. Settle in for a movie night and you may even catch sight of Chelsea’s distinctive streets and architecture, captured in classics such as *Skyfall*, *A Clockwork Orange* and *The Parent Trap*.

Now the next chapter in Chelsea’s cinematic story is about to begin. After an eight-year absence, Curzon will be opening a new cinema on the King’s Road as part of The Gaumont development. Curzon first opened on the site in 1983 but closed in 2018. This new evolution will be no ordinary cinema: it will be a creative hub hosting podcast recordings, experimental screenings, workshops, writers’ rooms and much more.

Philip Knatchbull, the chief executive of Curzon, said: “Our flagship location will span film, art, storytelling, content creation, podcasting, live performance and conversation-led events. In this sense, Curzon Chelsea brings together everything we have been envisioning for the future of Curzon and creative culture more generally. We’re excited to return to such an historic location with a new flagship that will actively promote the creation and





exhibition of the very best of British and international art and culture.”

At the centre of Curzon Chelsea will be an impressive 300-seat auditorium, equipped with Dolby Atmos and 4k projection – perfect for screenings of the latest blockbuster, as well as more experimental and independent releases and live events. For your food and drink needs you can visit The Atrium, a cafe, bar, restaurant and informal co-working space where you can grab a morning coffee, enjoy evening drinks or even attend a supper club.

Hugh Seaborn, the chief executive of Cadogan, said: “Curzon has long been part of the Chelsea community and we look forward to their reopening as part of The Gaumont, a landmark development designed to celebrate Chelsea’s cultural heritage and enhance its thriving creative scene.

“Curzon’s focus on not just incredible cinema, but a space for makers and creators to thrive, perfectly aligns with our vision of Chelsea as a place where innovators and artists can flourish and complements the young independent businesses now surrounding them as part of this exciting, fast-growing creative community on the King’s Road.”

Curzon Chelsea will open this autumn at 206 King’s Road. Visit curzon.com for more details

Art / News

JULY 10 & 24, AUGUST 21 **The Sun and the Moon: Lates**

This is your chance to visit Saatchi's celestial new exhibition after dark. You can grab a cocktail from the bar and take part in a number of themed workshops, including life drawing inspired by the first woman on the moon and carnival headaddress-making.

*Saatchi Gallery,
Duke of York Square*

HELIOS AT BATH ASSEMBLY ROOMS, 2025
IMAGE: LUKE JERRAM PHOTOGRAPHY



JULY 28-30

Design camp

Children will love these hands-on workshops at the Design Museum, with options suitable for ages seven to 10 and 11 to 14. Working with design experts, they'll learn how to use their creativity in new and exciting ways – from creating their own sculptural shoe prototypes to turning plastic bags into eco-friendly fabric.

*Design Museum, 224-238
Kensington High Street*

UNTIL SEPTEMBER 6

Cecily Brown: Picture making

This collection of Cecily Brown's artwork takes inspiration from Kensington Gardens, exploring themes of nature and park life with bold colours and vigorous brushstrokes. Brown, who has returned to England after three decades in New York, is inspired by children's book illustrations and the dark side of nursery rhymes and fables. *Serpentine Galleries, Kensington Gardens*

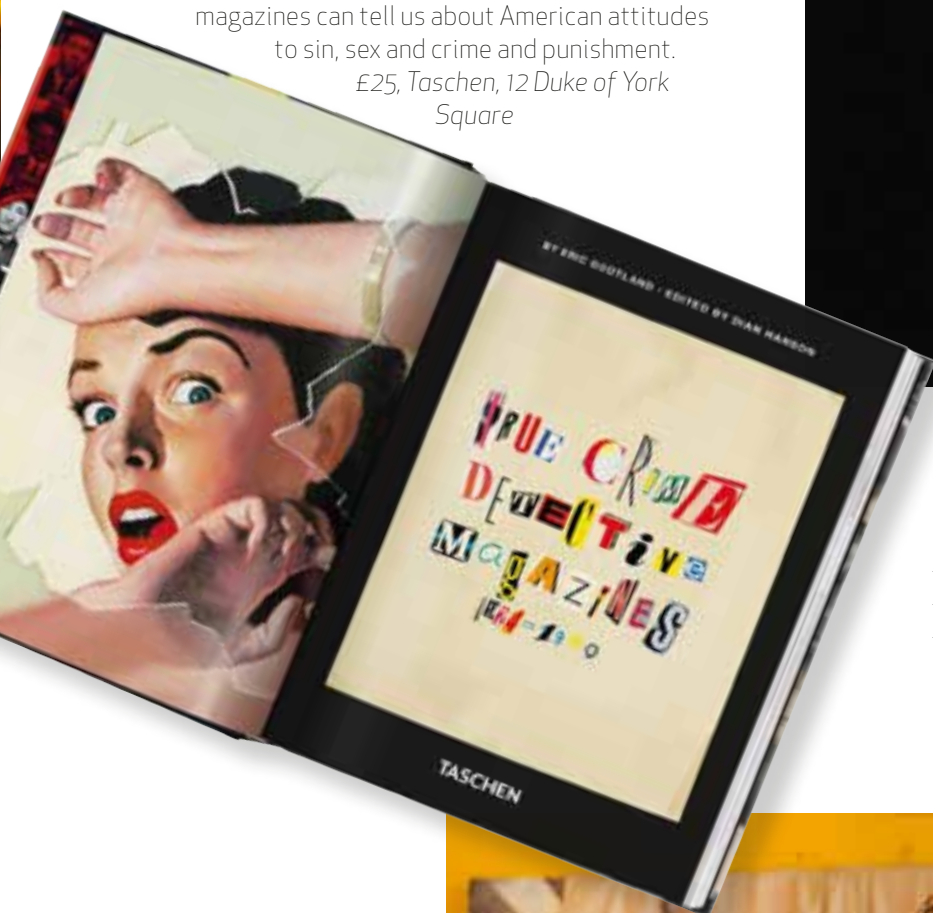


CECILY BROWN, NATURE WALK WITH PARANOIDA, 2024
IMAGE © CECILY BROWN, 2026/GENEVEVE HANSON

True Crime Detective Magazines

This new title from Taschen tells the story of America's crime magazines, a lavishly illustrated pulp genre full of dastardly deeds, hard-boiled detectives and femme fatales. This book explores what these magazines can tell us about American attitudes to sin, sex and crime and punishment.

£25, Taschen, 12 Duke of York Square



JULY 12

Botanical block printing

Enjoy a summery art workshop in the beautiful surroundings of the Chelsea Physic Garden. You'll learn the technique of traditional block printing before creating four linen napkins with a botanical design that you can take home with you – perfect for summer picnics!

Chelsea Physic Garden,
66 Royal Hospital Road

SUNDAYS AT 1PM

Paint your partner

Looking for a fun couples activity? This is your chance to paint a portrait of your partner, with step-by-step help from Art Play's resident artists.

All materials are provided, as well as a glass of prosecco to get those creative juices flowing.

Art Play, 19 Chelsea Manor Street





AUGUST 13-26 Wapping Group of Artists

The historic Wapping Group of Artists, fondly known as the Wappers, will be exhibiting their work in Chelsea. Founded in 1946, the group specialises in "en plein air" painting in London and is strictly limited to 25 members. As part of their annual exhibition, artist members will be bringing their easels out on to the King's Road and offering free painting demonstrations.
340 King's Road

ST JAMES'S PARK
IMAGE: JOHN KILLENS

JULY 27 TO AUGUST 26

Summer exhibition

Green & Stone's summer exhibition is a great way to discover the work of new and up and coming artists. Following an open call for submissions, a guest panel selected their favourite – a decision they made "blind", without information about the artist's age, gender or background. Expect to see sculpture, photography, painting, printmaking and more displayed in the shop, which has inspired and supplied countless creatives over the past 99 years.

Green & Stone, 251-253 Fulham Road



ONGOING Lost music venues

This immersive free display turns the spotlight on 50 lost music venues from the 1980s to the 2010s – hotbeds of music, dance and fashion where famous acts toured and youth culture was shaped. It features more than 150 relics gathered via an open callout, including the sound monitor from the Hacienda and the original sign for the Astoria, as well as posters, clothing and hand-written set lists. It's a nostalgic tribute to a legendary nightlife culture that is now somewhat in abeyance thanks to factors such as the pandemic and licensing laws.
V&A, Cromwell Road

WHITE HEAT INDIE NIGHT AT MADAME JOJO'S
IMAGE: GREGORY NOLAN, 2005

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JOHN PAWSON

The celebrated architect will be in conversation with Deyan Sudjic, discussing his body of work and his philosophy of rigorous simplicity. September 18, Saatchi Gallery, Duke of York Square



IMAGE: GILBERT MC CARRAGHER

DIARIES OF NOTE

Bestselling author Shaun Usher will be joined by a cast of acclaimed performers to read a remarkable selection of diary entries. You'll discover how people across the centuries have recorded their thoughts, both intimate and extraordinary, with vulnerability and humour. September 20, Cadogan Hall, 5 Sloane Terrace



Festival fever

CHELSEA ARTS FESTIVAL RETURNS FROM SEPTEMBER 16-20. HERE ARE SOME OF THE MOST UNMISSABLE EVENTS

SUSIE CAVE IN CONVERSATION

Designer Susie Cave will be in conversation with Bella Freud, discussing fashion, creativity and her new collaborative book *Susie*, created alongside her husband Nick Cave and photographer Dominic Issermann. September 16, Cadogan Hall, 5 Sloane Terrace



IMAGE: DOMINIQUE ISSERMANN



A POEM FOR EVERY NIGHT OF THE YEAR

Celebrate the 10th anniversary of Allie Esiri's acclaimed poetry anthology, with a star-studded line-up of acclaimed actors performing some of the most cherished poems from the collection. September 18, Cadogan Hall, 5 Sloane Terrace

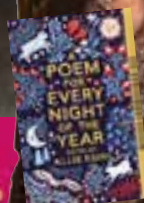


IMAGE: JOSEPH SINCLAIR

Tickets for the Chelsea Arts Festival are on sale now. To secure your spot, visit chelseaartsfestival.com





BLUE PLAQUES TALK BACK

Four local blue plaques will be brought to life in this immersive event. Speakers will include Mishal Husain and Nish Kumar, who will reflect on the lives and legacies of Jawaharlal Nehru, the first prime minister of independent India, and legendary guitarist Jimi Hendrix.

September 18, Cadogan Hall, 5 Sloane Terrace



BOOKBAR INTRODUCES...

BookBar's founder, Chrissy Ryan, has curated a line-up of the hottest debut authors. Be the first to meet some future literary superstars!

September 19, Saatchi Gallery, Duke of York Square



AN EVENING WITH BERNARDINE EVARISTO

Meet Booker prize-winning author Bernardine Evaristo as she discusses women's writing and exchanges stories with other exceptional writers and performers.

September 17, Cadogan Hall, 5 Sloane Terrace



IMAGE: SUKI DHANDA

KATHERINE RUNDELL IN CONVERSATION

The bestselling author will discuss her prize-winning children's fiction, including the latest in her beloved Gilmouria Archipelago series.

September 19, Cadogan Hall, 5 Sloane Terrace

IMAGE: KAREN ROBINSON



A NIGHT OF T/REASON

Celebrate the 50th anniversary of punk with this special event. You'll enjoy the intimate photos of Jane Ashley, hear from Vivienne Westwood's collaborator Edie Ashley, meet pioneering fashion designer Lloyd Johnson and discover award-winning film director Celeste Bell, daughter of Poly Styrene.

September 18, Saatchi Gallery, Duke of York Square

Chelsea Arts Festival / Rambert

RAMBERT IS BRITAIN'S OLDEST DANCE COMPANY, FOUNDED 100 YEARS AGO IN 1926 BY POLISH ÉMIGRÉE MARIE RAMBERT.

TODAY, ARTISTIC DIRECTOR BENOIT SWAN POUFFER IS CHARGED WITH LEADING THE COMPANY FORWARD, STAGING EXCITING CONTEMPORARY WORKS INSPIRED BY EVERYTHING FROM THE 1980S AIDS CRISIS TO THE WORLD OF PEAKY BLINDERS. HE TELLS US MORE..

WORDS: ALICE CAIRNS

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WHAT DOES RAMBERT'S 100-YEAR LEGACY MEAN TO YOU?

It's an extraordinary responsibility, but also an incredible source of inspiration. When people hear, '100 years old', they often think about history. What excites me is that Rambert has reached 100 because it has never stood still. Throughout its history, the company has constantly reinvented itself, supported new talent and embraced change. That spirit is what I feel most connected to. Marie Rambert believed in artists, in experimentation and in taking risks. Those values remain just as relevant today as they were in 1926.

HOW CAN A 100 YEAR OLD COMPANY REINVENT ITSELF FOR THE MODERN DAY?

By remaining curious. The danger

for any historic organisation is becoming defined by its past. I believe our role is to keep asking what dance can be today and who it is for. That means commissioning new voices, embracing different influences and finding new ways to connect with audiences. We honour our history not by preserving it unchanged, but by continuing the culture of innovation that has always been at Rambert's core.

WHAT CHALLENGES ARE YOU FACING?

Like many arts organisations, we face financial pressures and changing audience habits. People's time is increasingly fragmented and there is enormous competition for attention. At the same time, I think there is a growing need for shared live experiences. Dance

offers something unique because it creates a direct emotional connection between performers and audiences. Our challenge is to ensure that connection remains accessible, relevant and exciting for as many people as possible.

YOUR RECENT PRODUCTION INSPIRED BY PEAKY BLINDERS WENT VIRAL...

What attracted me to Peaky Blinders was the combination of a powerful story and complex characters with a world that already carried a strong visual and emotional identity. But we never approached it as an adaptation. We approached it as a dance work. The themes of family, ambition, love, violence and redemption are universal and lend themselves naturally to movement.



DANCE

NEXT UP FOR RAMBERT IS A PRODUCTION INSPIRED BY IT'S A SIN, RUSSELL T DAVIES'S HEARTBREAKING AIDS DRAMA...

It's A Sin feels very aligned with Rambert's history of telling stories that matter. Russell T Davies created something deeply human, joyful and heartbreaking, and those qualities are incredibly rich territory for dance. The production allows us to explore themes of friendship, identity, loss and resilience through movement while honouring a generation whose experiences changed society.

WHAT DO YOU LOVE ABOUT LONDON?

London is one of the most creative cities in the world. It brings together people, cultures and artistic influences from everywhere,

creating an environment where new ideas can flourish. As an immigrant myself, I feel a strong connection to that openness.

In many ways, that story is part of Rambert's DNA. Marie Rambert arrived in London from Poland via Paris in 1914 and built a new life here. She found a city that gave her the opportunity to teach, create and eventually establish the company that still bears her name today. London became Rambert's home and the place where so many artists, choreographers and dancers were able to develop their talent.

HOW IMPORTANT ARE EVENTS LIKE CHELSEA ARTS FESTIVAL?

They are incredibly important because they create opportunities for people to encounter art in different ways. Festivals bring

together audiences, artists and communities, often introducing people to work they might not otherwise experience. They encourage curiosity and conversation, which is essential for a healthy cultural landscape. The arts thrive when they are visible, accessible and part of everyday life.

Rambert will perform at Cadogan Hall on September 19 as part of Chelsea Arts Festival. Chelseaartsfestival.com

RAMBERT



The place to be

THE SLOANE CLUB HAS REOPENED AFTER A SIGNIFICANT REFURBISHMENT – AND ONCE YOU STEP INSIDE, YOU WON'T WANT TO LEAVE

WORDS: CHARLOTTE PASHA

MEMBERS' CLUBS NEED to work hard to prove their worth: not only is there plenty of competition within the space, but they remain a luxury rather than a necessity.

But none work harder – or add more value – than The Sloane Club. It has an esteemed history, having been founded in 1922 by Queen Victoria's daughter Princess Helena as a place for ex-servicewomen from the First World War to gather and support one another. It has now had a significant £20 million revamp from Russell Sage Studio, becoming the ultimate all-day – and all-night – destination for Chelsea locals and those from further afield.

The decor is colourful and fun, with astonishing attention to detail and nods to the club's history, including wallpaper inspired by archival needlepoints and a repeating floor motif designed



THE LADY IN BLACK



THE LIBRARY



LILA

to represent the initial sixpence joining fee. Texture, fringing, scalloped edges and velvet abound.

Let's start with breakfast in the Venus restaurant, which is inspired by the Venus fountain on Sloane Square. Choose from buffet and à la carte options and enjoy the comfortable banquette seating and sensational oversized chandelier.

Once sated, you can head for a workout or exercise class in the state-of-the-art gym, followed by a steam, shock shower and sauna, plus a massage or facial in the treatment rooms.

Come lunch, try all-day dining destination Lila, named after Lila Davy, a chief controller in the First World War and one of the club's original members. The airy restaurant has excellent food and a retractable glass roof that can close automatically in only 20 seconds if it senses rain.

For serious work, there's an upstairs co-working space, or head to the light-filled library where you can catch up with friends, send some emails or simply relax. The library's coin wall was inspired by Gertrude Burford Rawlings, a former club member and author of *The Story of the British Coinage*.

Dinner could be at Lila again, or you could try Helena's, named after Princess Helena. If you're hosting a dinner, the Lady in Black, a chic private dining room, has dramatic high-gloss black walls and a portrait of an enigmatic



HELENA'S

socialite wearing a black dress and fur stole as a focal point.

Post dinner, you'll want to move to Demob, the cocktail bar. Its name comes from the term "demobbed", the moment of leaving military service. Seductive and intimate, the parachute-inspired ceiling is our favourite touch.

And fear not - there's no need to leave after drinks, as The Sloane Club has 66 charming bedrooms, where you can happily slumber before waking up to do it all over again.

Food / News



THE WORLD'S LONGEST tiramisu record was broken right here in Chelsea in April, as 100 Italian chefs at Chelsea Town Hall made a tiramisu on site using 20,000 eggs, coming in at a whopping 1,445 feet long. Now that's what we call la dolce vita.

IT'S WEDDING SEASON, and pub weddings are surging in popularity – just ask journalist Katherine Ormerod, who hosted her drinks reception in the Rose Room at The Cadogan Arms. The Chelsea pub, which hosted 67 wedding receptions last year, is a licensed wedding venue, meaning you can legally get married there. Just say I do.
Cadogan Arms, 298 King's Road



ADDISON ROSS'S new store at 165 Draycott Avenue is around the corner from the brand's original Eaton Terrace space. The shop showcases Addison Ross's fabulous homeware, perfect for hosting and use in the kitchen. We love the salt and pepper mills and all the Bobbin pieces. It will also host a calendar of in-store activations and events, bringing together the wider Chelsea community.



COLBERT'S NEWLY TRANSFORMED summer terrace, created in collaboration with Pommery champagne and artist Rosanna Corfe, is now a floral Parisian-inspired escape in the heart of Chelsea. Stop by for your usual favourite dishes or try a limited-edition floral-inspired cocktail and dessert, Gariguet strawberry and elderflower pavlova with Chantilly cream. Open until late summer.
50-52 Sloane Square

CHEF-PATRON Peter Joseph from Chelsea's Kahani (1 Wilbraham Place) has partnered with Bestway Tours & Safaris to launch a 19-day culinary journey through India this November, personally led by Peter throughout. A rare opportunity to explore culinary hotspots with a much-loved Chelsea chef, the tour will take in the regions and traditions that shaped Peter's cooking, from Old Delhi spice markets and Kerala backwaters to Chennai, where he was born.
November 19 to December 7
Kahani, 1 Wilbraham Place





BREAD AHEAD

(249 Pavilion Road) has launched an initiative to teach one million young people to bake for free over the next decade, via workshops and a digital learning programme. The Future Bakers Project is all about giving young people confidence in the kitchen, discovering joy in baking and attaining practical life skills along the way.



DON'T FORGET TO visit Summer in Sloane Square for the ultimate al fresco dining experience, created in partnership with the Royal Court. Until September 20 you can enjoy seasonal Mexican food and drink on the open-air terrace, from fresh strawberry margaritas to burritos and nachos, while enjoying live music and watching the world go by.



AT BIRLEY CHOCOLATE there are delicious new treats in store. Three chocolate mousses each have a different cocoa strength: 62 per cent, 70 per cent and 80 per cent. New brownies are elevated with chunks of chocolate and a thin layer of cookie dough, while additional confectionery by weight includes pistachio, rose and cardamom chocolates, chocolate-coated coffee beans and moreish milk and dark almond clusters.

We can't get enough.
Birley Chocolate,
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Neighbourhood favourite

When you stroll down Yeoman's Row in Knightsbridge, there's a sense of place that's distinctly personal – something that Giovanni Restaurant has come to embody since it opened its doors. At a time when our city feels busier and more global than ever, Giovanni stands as a reminder of what a true neighbourhood restaurant should be: welcoming, familiar, and filled with good food and conversation.

The story behind Giovanni is deeply rooted in family and community. After many successful years in the restaurant business on Fulham Road – notably running the bustling and beloved Aglio & Olio, the owner, Adriano, took a leap and invested in his own restaurant right here in Knightsbridge. He chose a site with its own heritage, the long standing Italian restaurant once known as Monza and over time has built Giovanni into a local favourite. Named after his father and son, the restaurant reflects not just tradition but personal pride and commitment to the neighbourhood it serves.

At Giovanni, you'll find a menu of classic Italian dishes made with care, from fresh pastas to hearty mains and elegant desserts – the sort of meals that bring people together around the table. What sets this place apart isn't just the excellent food and wine, but the atmosphere: relaxed, friendly and unpretentious, where regulars are greeted like friends and where new faces soon feel right at home.

In a city of bars and global destinations, Giovanni is delightfully grounded – a true neighbourhood restaurant for Knightsbridge.



Food / Brasserie Olivia



THE EAGERLY ANTICIPATED BRASSERIE OLIVIA, FROM THE DYNAMIC FRENCH LA NOUVELLE GARDE GROUP, IS OPENING ON 9 JULY

WORDS:
CHARLOTTE
PASHA

Bonjour, Brasserie Olivia

YOUR SUMMER HOTSPOT IS HERE, as the chic and playful new restaurant Brasserie Olivia opens in a prime spot on Sloane Square.

The first international outpost from La Nouvelle Garde, Brasserie Olivia will serve delicious traditional home-style cooking: French classics for a fun, modern audience.

The menu features steak frites, boeuf bourguignon, pork rillettes and much more. The seafood - from the refined to lobster and fries - is a highlight and the dessert

selection is seriously indulgent. Ingredients are seasonal and sourced with care; the menu evolves throughout the year and everything is made from scratch.

The all-day dining spot boasts an open kitchen, wood-fire cooking and a seriously cool vibe

- don't miss downstairs bar Venus for a late-night cocktail.

Charles Perez, co-founder of La Nouvelle Garde says, "we established La Nouvelle Garde for one reason, to preserve the French art de vivre and bring a new golden age to the traditional

brasseries everyone is used to. We're so excited to be bringing this to London with Brasserie Olivia and look forward to introducing our cuisine to everyone."

We can't wait - and we know we'll be rebooking immediately.

1 Sloane Square



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THE DUKE OF YORK SQUARE FOOD MARKET IS A GOURMET DESTINATION IN THE HEART OF CHELSEA, 45 STALLS SERVING UP DELICIOUS PRODUCE, DRINKS AND STREET FOOD FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD. WE CAUGHT UP WITH SOME REGULAR TRADERS...

WORDS: ALICE CAIRNS



SOME LIKE IT HOT

NINA PARKER IS THE OWNER OF **SAUCY**, SELLING ARTISANAL CHILLI OILS WHICH ARE DESIGNED TO ACT AS FLAVOUR BOMBS IN EVERYTHING FROM NOODLES TO RAGU.

Tell us about yourself.

I am a chef, and I sell three homemade chilli oil products which I make myself using a lot of fresh ingredients and no preservatives. They can go on all savoury food and make everything more delicious.

Why are food markets so important?

It's amazing to meet customers and talk to people, explain about the making process and to get live feedback. It's important for people to taste the product, too - then they're hooked! I build trust and a loyal

customer base this way.

I see the benefit of food markets on my business every week.

What do you love about the London food scene?

It's always changing. There is always something new popping up and I think it is one of the most exciting places to be in the food scene. There are so many passionate food makers and they inspire me to carry on creating.

Favourite spot in Chelsea?

I love Amar Cafe (15 Cale Street). The coffee is delicious and the whole vibe feels local and community-led.





What makes your products special?

Everything is made by hand in our Hackney fermentation kitchen using organic ingredients and no vinegar, additives or shortcuts. As research continues to explore the connection between the gut, the brain and overall wellbeing, more people are becoming interested in fermented foods. For us though, it always starts with flavour. If it isn't delicious, it doesn't matter how healthy it is.

If someone hasn't visited your stall before, what's a 'must try'?

Our kombucha is brewed in small batches using organic ingredients, and served fresh on tap at the market. For many people, it's their introduction to fermentation and it's become the product that stops people in their tracks when they walk past our stall. It's refreshing and complex.

After that I'd encourage people to try our kimchi - we make it using house-fermented garums

WHAT A PICKLE JAMES VEROIT IS FOUNDER OF RE:ORGANICS, SERVING TRADITIONALLY FERMENTED FOOD AND DRINKS INCLUDING KOMBUCHA, RAW MILK KEFIR, KIMCHI, SAUERKRAUT AND SEASONAL PICKLES MADE USING ANCIENT KOREAN TECHNIQUES.

and pastes that give it a depth of umami flavour that's quite different from most kimchi people have tried before.

For anyone curious about fermentation, a sample of our raw milk kefir is a must. It's one of those products that completely changes people's perception of what kefir can be.

What do you love about the Duke of York Square Market?

Food markets create a sense of connection that simply doesn't exist in supermarkets. Fermented foods can be difficult to explain on a label. At a market, people

can ask questions, taste products and discover flavours they might never have picked up from a shelf. Sampling is a huge part of what we do - someone can try a kombucha, kimchi or kefir and immediately understand what makes it special. Markets also allow small producers like us to build genuine relationships with customers and receive direct feedback, which is invaluable when you're constantly refining recipes and developing new products.



Food / Fine food market



GO NUTS

NUT FARMS SPECIALISES IN DELICIOUS, LOCALLY GROWN NUTS. EDWARD LADE, AFFECTIONATELY KNOWN AS 'EDWARD THE NUTTER', TELLS US MORE.

What do you sell at the market?

We grow Cobnuts (Kent hazelnuts) and walnuts just 25 miles from Chelsea, in the Kent countryside. Our roasted Kent Cobnuts are especially prized for their naturally sweet, almost chocolatey flavour. While our walnuts are sold fresh in-shell or shelled - never pasteurised, preserving their natural flavour and character. We also produce small-batch cold-pressed nut oils, including a richly flavoured chilli Cobnut oil and a British Nut Butter made simply from roasted Cobnuts and walnuts.

Alongside the nuts we bring beautifully fresh organic eggs from

the last organic egg farm in Kent, laid on Friday and arriving at the market the very next morning, plus raw local honey from trusted Kent beekeepers.

What's your 'must try'?

Without question, the roasted Cobnuts. They've become something of a signature for us - deeply flavourful, wonderfully moreish and affectionately described by customers as "the finest roasted nuts in the land."

For those who enjoy eating seasonally, fresh green Cobnuts arrive in late summer, followed by fresh "wet" walnuts in mid October - a real treat if you've never tried them.

What's your favourite place to visit in Chelsea?

The Rose & Crown on Lower Sloane Street - a wonderfully unpretentious proper pub and a welcome pause after a busy market day.



*The Duke of York Square Food Market takes place every Saturday from 10am to 4pm.
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WORDS: ALICE CAIRNS



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A refreshing citrus sorbet – what's not to love?

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...OR
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KIKKOMAN

A returning favourite, with a toasted sesame base and the deep umami flavour of soy sauce creating a perfect salty-sweet scoop



MÜLLER CORNER

Swirls of frozen yoghurt and jammy strawberry make this a fail-safe flavour



LURPAK

Made with butter instead of cream – expect sweet, smooth dairy notes



TUNNOCK'S

Caramel ice cream studded with crunchy crushed pieces of chocolate caramel wafer



AUNT BESSIE'S

This golden syrup ice cream contains buttery chunks of Yorkshire pudding, a sweet twist on a Sunday roast



TASTE TEST

If you like surprises, you can enjoy a blind taste test at the Anya Cafe. You'll sample 15 scoops with wafers and sprinkles before filling out your own score card.

Visit the Ice Cream Project until August 17.
The Anya Village, Pont Street





BIRLEY CHOCOLATE
Cool off with a fruity magnum, made from lime and yoghurt ice cream encased in a zingy shell of blended berries, banana, vanilla and spices. Other flavours include chocolate-coconut and mango yoghurt.
24 Cale Street

ICE CREAM UNION
Each scoop is created with the freshest and finest ingredients, with everything from honeycomb to fruit juices and ripple sauces made by hand. Pick from flavours such as creamy banana split or nostalgic cornflake – you can even book a home delivery slot if you'd prefer not to brave the heat.
166 Pavilion Road

AMORINO
These Instagram-ready ice creams look just like roses, with petals of Italian gelato in flavours such as lime and basil, Brazilian banana or salted butter caramel. Add a macaron to your order for extra crunch!
67a King's Road

FIVE OTHER ICE CREAMS TO TRY IN CHELSEA...

COLBERT
Indulge in a childhood classic with a banana split, that perfect marriage of sweet, fruity, creamy and crunchy. The dish begins with a caramelised banana served with lashings of whipped cream and vanilla ice cream, then topped with tangy raspberry purée and flaked almonds.
50-52 Sloane Square

VENCHI
The gelato shake is a tasty, customisable treat – pick your favourite flavour of ice cream to be blended with milk and topped with cream and sprinkles.
71 King's Road

Culture / Sloane Square



11AM: TIFFANY
After breakfast, head to Tiffany. You can book an appointment for one-to-one jewellery styling or care advice, or just browse the glittering pieces on display.



10AM: MARTINO'S
Did you know that Sloane Square's buzziest new restaurant also serves breakfast? From ricotta pancakes to baked eggs arrabiata, there's something for everyone.



9AM: VITA BOUTIQUE FITNESS
Get an early morning endorphin rush with a reformer pilates class at Vita. It's a full-body workout that promises to leave you sculpted, strengthened and energised for the day ahead.



9PM: THE KNOX
Designed like a secret speakeasy, this underground bar has a delicious cocktail menu and DJ sets till late. Get ready to dance the night away!

A day in Sloane Square

CAN YOU ENJOY A WHOLE DAY WITHOUT LEAVING SLOANE SQUARE? OF COURSE YOU CAN!

WORDS: ALICE CAIRNS



7PM: THE ROYAL COURT
Known as the writers' theatre, and home to all things experimental and boundary-pushing. Since 1979 it has offered £15 tickets every Monday.



6PM: BRASSERIE OLIVIA
The chic Parisienne dining destination is now officially open. Stop by for a delicious dinner, enjoying seasonal French cooking made with locally sourced ingredients.

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12PM: RALPH LAUREN

The Ralph Lauren flagship store is easy to get lost in, with its eclectic artwork and unique products. The Sloane Square shop offers bespoke appointments and style trials for those looking to update their wardrobe.



1

1PM: COLBERT

Stop for lunch at Colbert, with its Parisian-inspired all-day menu. The fresh salads or omelettes are perfect if you're feeling peckish but want to save room for dinner.



2

2PM: PETER JONES

You could spend hours in this jam-packed department store, exploring everything from fashion to board games, home decor and tech. Head to the rooftop restaurant to grab a coffee with a panoramic view of Chelsea.

3

3PM: BUNS AT HOME

Time for a snack? Buns at Home serves up homemade baked goods, from classic cinnamon rolls to seasonal specials. On Tuesdays you can get your hands on the cult favourite tiramisu bun - though they do sell out fast!



4

4PM: TONI & GUY

As we move towards evening, this could be a good time for some pampering. The signature blow-dry will leave you looking fresh, or book a free consultation to discuss fun ways to update your look.



5

5PM: SUMMER IN SLOANE SQUARE

Enjoy a cocktail on Sloane Square as part of its summer-long transformation into an al fresco dining experience. An aperol spritz beside the Venus fountain sounds dreamy...



Fashion / News



CASSANDRA
GOAD'S Place des
Vosges design celebrates the
jeweller's love of architecture
and vibrant colour, taking its
inspiration from the Parisian
square of the same name. The
rings catch the light and
showcase vividly coloured
gemstones, an array of
cuts and styles and
of course, brilliant
craftsmanship.
147 Sloane Street



TIFFANY
& CO HAS
launched the
first chapter
of Blue Book
2026: Hidden
Garden, a high jewellery
collection celebrating nature
as flora and fauna come to life
through gemstones. The
Paradise Bird story features
pieces with a beautiful bird
atop an exceptional
gemstone – Mexican
fire opal, Brazilian
rubellite, Ethiopian
blue chalcedony
or Madagascan
spessartine. It's the
colourful juxtapositions
and unexpected
combinations that add a
touch of magic.
145 Sloane Street



THE MAJE HIGH
summer collection
transports you
straight to the
beach, with
flowing linen
dresses, playsuits
and floral crochet
tops. Fabrics are
lightweight and
we're loving the air
of 70s nostalgia
thanks to the
postcard prints
and tropical
motifs.
109 King's Road

ELIZABETH SCARLETT AND Nobody's Child have reunited for their second collaboration, Dear Summer, a collection told in two chapters: Letter to the Ocean and Signature Blooms. Inspired by the beauty of the natural world, Dear Summer draws on the calm of the coast and the abundance of summer, with long days spent outdoors. To celebrate the collaboration, the brands are donating £15,000 to the Blue Marine Foundation, a charity dedicated to protecting and restoring life in the ocean. *Peter Jones, Sloane Square*



NO ONE DOES wedding guest dresses like Rixo. Slinky midi dresses in bold colours and patterns are versatile and fun, working just as well for a holiday as a party. The brand's accessories are also worth knowing about: the shell-adorned bag has our name on it. *114-116 King's Road*



CONGRATULATIONS TO Kiki McDonough and Anya Hindmarch, who have both received royal warrants from Queen Camilla. McDonough, founder of the eponymous fine jewellery brand, said: "To be recognised in this way for craftsmanship and consistency over decades feels incredibly special. A royal warrant is the ultimate mark of trust and excellence, built over time, and that makes it all the more meaningful."



ON-TREND BRIDES should head to sustainable brand Reformation, which has collaborated with Sara Walker for a second time: last year's bestselling Sara linen dress is now available in white. Made from 100 per cent linen in the perfect midi length and complete with scalloped trim and belt-buckle detail, it deserves a spot in your wedding wardrobe.

11 King's Road



WHEN YOU NEED to look pulled together while still staying relaxed, Veronica Beard hits the spot, from a tailored pink jacket to perfectly cut denim flares. There are some special eveningwear pieces, but separates lead the way.

2 Symons Street



HACKETT'S HERITAGE spring/summer collection has been created in collaboration with London Rowing Club. It is built around daily pieces: think tees, polos and rugby shirts alongside bombers, jumpers, joggers and hoodies. Each garment is distinctly Hackett and branded with the embroidered London Rowing Club crest. See you on the river.

137-138 Sloane Street

WAGNER'S Die Walküre

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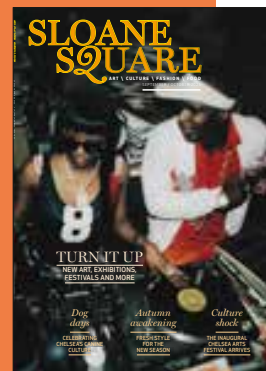
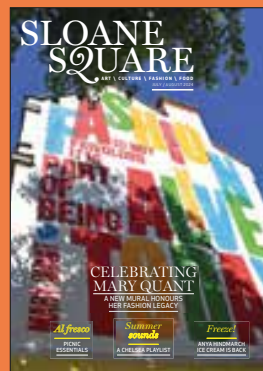
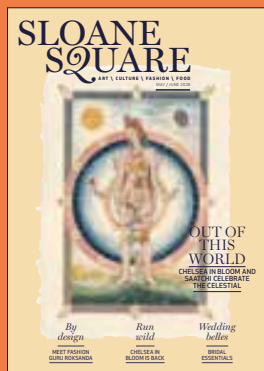
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chunky ear cuff and
droplet chain, £23.50
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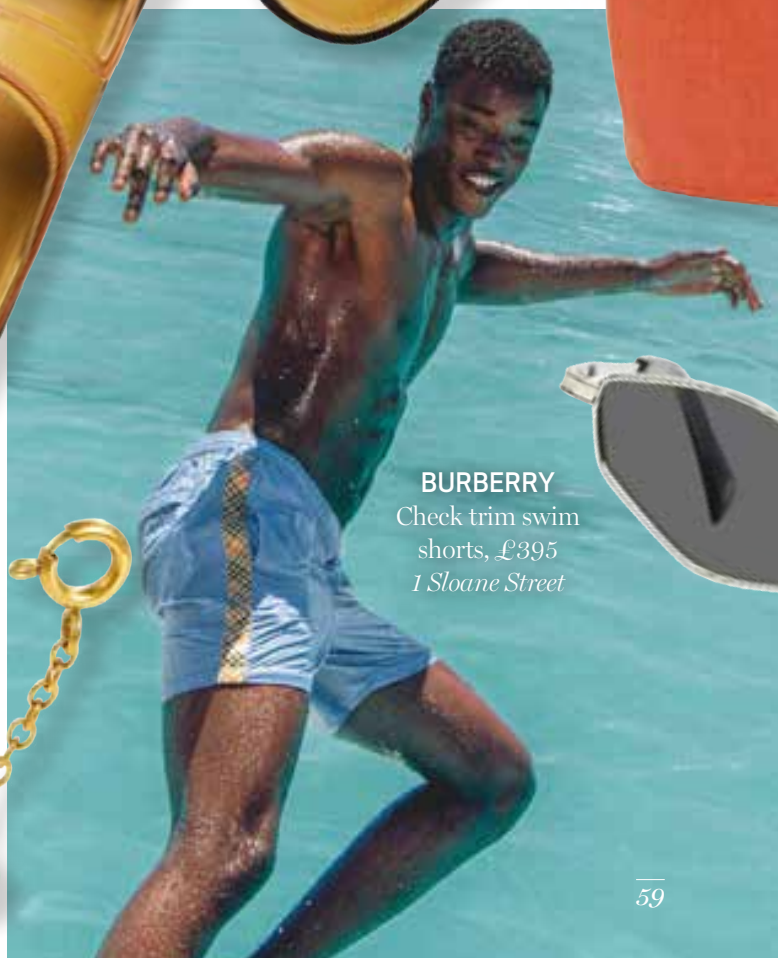
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Trotters, 34 King's
Road



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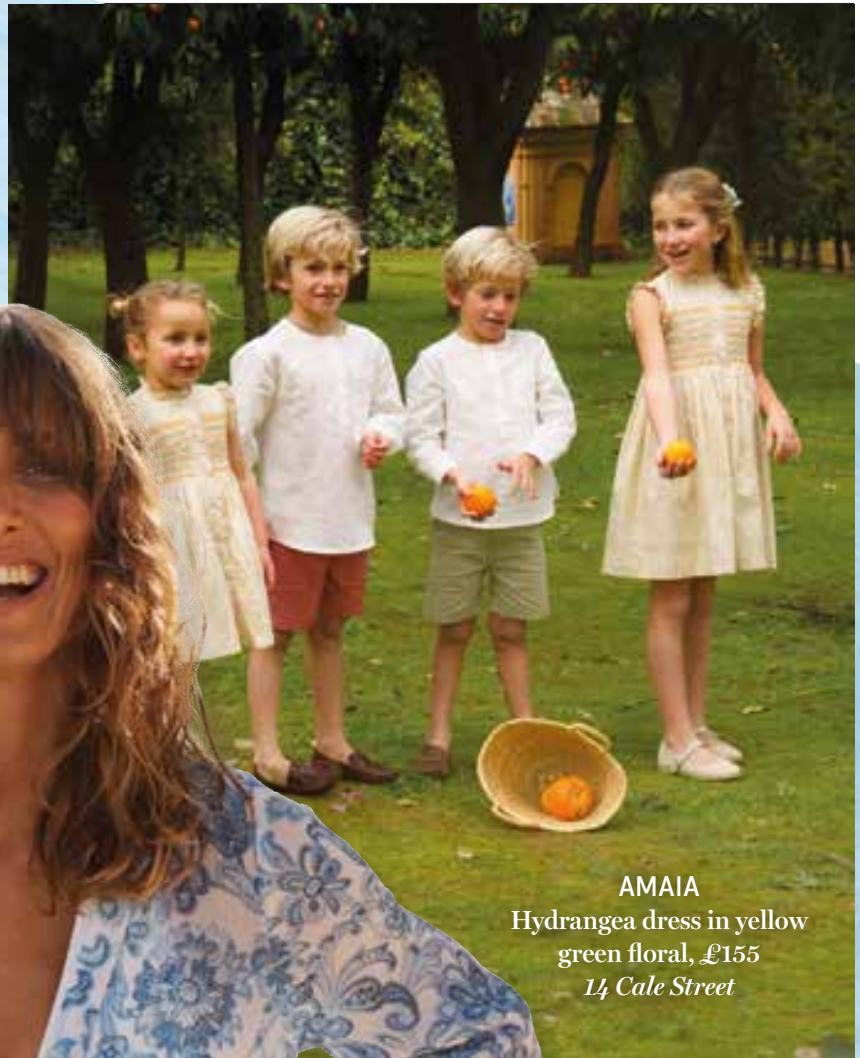
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THE GREATEST SHOW

CHELSEA FLOWER SHOW

The Chelsea Flower Show returned for another blooming year, with floral displays, panel talks and fine dining. This year the 100-year ban on garden gnomes was lifted, raising money for the RHS Campaign for School Gardening.



Mary Berry



Angela Rippon



Caroline Quentin





Hugh Seaborn, Mark Upstone,
Lord Cadogan, The Conran Shop -
Innovation winner



Chloe Young and
Charlotte Driver,
Rixo - Gold



Jiya Gurung and Anissa
Tahri, Astrid & Miyu -
Best Floral Display

FLORAL TRIBUTE

CHELSEA IN BLOOM AWARDS

The winners of Chelsea in Bloom were announced at an awards ceremony in Duke of York Square, with people from across the neighbourhood coming together for champagne and celebrations.



Heather Hamilton,
Stuart Coombes,
Kapil Gaur and
Julia Dalrymple,
Sloane Square Hotel - Gold



Millie Gardner, Lola
Cavanilles and Suzy Dixon,
Francis Holland School - Gold



CLAY CREATIONS

GIVING CLAY A FORM

The Conran Shop celebrated the launch of its London Craft Week exhibition, Giving Clay a Form. The hand-formed pieces on display were made by female artists in northern Tunisia, using locally sourced clay and traditional techniques. Each piece was presented alongside a card telling the story of the women who made it.

16 Sloane Square



An outdoors affair

NOTHING SAYS SUMMER MORE THAN AL FRESCO DINING AND ENTERTAINING. CHELSEA TASTEMAKERS TELL US HOW TO DO IT RIGHT, FROM WHAT TO WEAR TO THE SMALL HOSTING TIPS THAT MAKE A BIG DIFFERENCE

WORDS: CHARLOTTE PASHA

ON WHAT TO CONSIDER WHEN GETTING DRESSED TO HOST...

LUCY MACNAMARA, FOUNDER OF ASPIGA, 320 KING'S ROAD

"Think about practicality first – you're moving around, greeting people, serving food and wanting to feel comfortable all day. I never want to feel overdressed or restricted when hosting. I like pieces that don't crease too much and can transition easily from daytime into evening. I also think about the atmosphere I want to create. Hosting at home should feel warm and relaxed. Our collaboration with the RHS this year for Chelsea Flower Show has some easy to wear, feminine dresses with the prettiest floral prints, inspired by their archives."



NADJA SWAROVSKI, CHIEF CREATIVE OFFICER, REALLY WILD CLOTHING, 53 SLOANE SQUARE

"While hosting at home in the summer months, I reach for our Meryl summer suit in raspberry or that beautiful mid blue, worn with a Liberty silk print blouse underneath. The kaleidoscope butterfly motif feels so joyful and summery. Flat ballerinas always – I want to feel relaxed and move freely. Though by the time everyone arrives, a pair of heels might appear."



"Natural fibres are non-negotiable for me. Cotton, silk and linen breathe and drape beautifully, they don't let you down over a long evening."

"As the host, you set the tone – but you mustn't be too dressed. The moment you outshine your guests, you've lost the warmth of the evening. I want people to feel at ease the minute they walk through the door, and how you look communicates that before you've said a word."

ON DECOR, CROCKERY AND FINISHING TOUCHES...

MARK UPSTONE, HEAD OF CREATIVE AT THE CONRAN SHOP, 16 SLOANE SQUARE

"Using colour and colour blocking is a great starting point for your table, and matching glassware and napkins is an easy and accessible update to your existing tableware. Using smaller bubble vases running through your table is a great way to bring some nature and life to your table without breaking the bank."



"Pops of colour and pattern are good for bringing the summer vibes. Our Nova stripe glasses are great for fruity summer cocktails and our Groove cocktail glass is also perfect for a scoop of ice cream. Our Mocha fade plates are perfect for a fresh green salad."

"A great playlist should always be a top consideration and is a perfect way to set the tone."

"Find novel ways to tie your napkins, either with a fresh flower or fun keepsake. Instead of using name cards, having a fun photo of each

guest on the place setting is a good conversation starter."

"Whether you are indoors or outdoors, lighting is key. Candlelight or small portable lights are the perfect way to create ambience or switch up the mood – our Torus portable light comes in multiple fun colours."





ON KEEPING THE CHILDREN ENTERTAINED...

SOPHIE MIRMAN, FOUNDER AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE, TROTTERS, 34 KING'S ROAD

"My seven-year-old granddaughter, Frankie, loves helping with the



cooking when friends come over. Peeling carrots, topping and tailing beans, mixing ingredients for the dessert, helping to set the table. I think that generally children enjoy helping to prepare things and feel a sense of achievement when they

have assisted.

"Keeping children entertained is important. Sticker books, colouring-in books, role-play toys and treasure hunts are always firm favourites.

"What children wear for summer parties very much depends on what the event is – and what the weather forecast is!"

Transforming lives

MAYOR OF KENSINGTON AND CHELSEA SELECTS THE KENSINGTON + CHELSEA FOUNDATION AS MAYORAL CHARITY FOR COMING YEAR



Kensington and Chelsea's newly appointed mayor, Councillor Janet Evans, has announced that the Kensington + Chelsea Foundation will be her chosen mayoral charity for the coming year.

The partnership reflects a shared commitment to supporting local, grassroots organisations delivering vital services across the borough. The foundation currently works with community projects that support more than 18,000 residents each year.

Evans has lived in Kensington and Chelsea for nearly 40 years and has served as a councillor for Courtfield ward since 2018.

She said: "I am delighted to be partnering with the Kensington + Chelsea Foundation, a local charity working across the entire borough to support vital services that improve the lives and livelihoods of our most vulnerable residents.

"The foundation plays a crucial role, bringing people and communities together to strengthen local connections, positively impacting the lives of over 18,000 residents a year.

"I look forward to raising further awareness of their exceptional work, which supports projects and services that provide a lifeline to those in crisis."

She added that she was looking forward to raising awareness of the foundation's work and supporting fundraising activity throughout the year.

Victoria Steward Todd, director of the Kensington + Chelsea Foundation, said: "We are honoured to have been chosen as the mayor's charity. The mayor shares our belief in the power of local giving and the transformational impact that grassroots community projects can have."

She added: "We look forward to a year of celebrating community and working together to benefit residents across the borough."

A programme of fundraising initiatives and public events will be announced in support of the mayor's appeal in the coming months.

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Local Hero / Clarissa's Campaign

AFTER HER DAUGHTER
DIED OF AN UNDIAGNOSED
HEART CONDITION, HILARY
NICHOLLS LAUNCHED
A CAMPAIGN TO OFFER
YOUNG PEOPLE FREE HEART
SCREENINGS

WORDS: CHARLOTTE PASHA



Heart to heart

CLARISSA NICHOLLS WAS JUST one week away from her 21st birthday when she suffered a sudden cardiac arrest during a hike in France. She was fit, healthy and sporty, a long distance runner, a keen hockey player, and a student at Cambridge University. No one who knew her suspected that she had a symptomless and life-threatening heart condition.

Today, Clarissa's mother Hilary Nicholls campaigns for free heart screenings for young people between the ages of 14 and 35. In July and August, young people can visit Craven Cottage, home of Fulham FC, for potentially life-saving checks.

"When a young person has symptoms of a heart condition, such as dizziness or chest pains, in many cases a doctor is going to assume it's anxiety causing those symptoms," she says.

"They'll tell you to go away, and come back if it carries on. Even more worryingly, 80% of people can have no symptoms. That means that the first time they have a symptom, it's fatal."

In the UK, 12 young people die every week from an undiagnosed heart problem. 1 in 300 who receive a screening are found to have a life-threatening condition.

"I cannot think of anything more important than this, than actually, positively saving young lives" Hilary says. "Having your heart checked should be routine - it should be like going to the dentist."

In partnership with the charity Cardiac Risk in the Young, Clarissa's Campaign launched a screening programme to test young people at Cambridge University. Now Hilary has turned her attention to South West London, where she hopes to see a further 4,500 people screened across the next three years. The programme is expected to save 15 young lives.

"The response we get from the government is that they don't want to cause anxiety to young people,

or to put people off doing a sport. These are such non-arguments, because how can you compare the anxiety over potentially being identified as needing further tests with the tragic loss of life? As for putting people off sport, the majority of young people who are diagnosed with something are absolutely encouraged to go back to sports, but to do it within the safety net of advice from a specialist.”

In recent years, the collapse of footballer Christian Eriksen on the pitch and his subsequent, life-saving use of an ICD (Implantable Cardioverter-Defibrillator) has raised public awareness of heart conditions.

“Christian Eriksen has the same condition as Clarissa” Hilary says. “His diagnosis saved his life.

“... EVEN IF WE CAN BRING THE NUMBER OF DEATHS DOWN BY HALF, WE’LL HAVE SAVED YOUNG PEOPLE, JUST LIKE CLARISSA, WITH SO MUCH LIFE LEFT TO LIVE”



Book your free heart screening at Craven Cottage on July 7 and 8 or August 11 and 12. Follow @clarissascampaign for a booking link and for updates. Hilary supports Cardiac Risk in the Young (c-r-y.org.uk) which raises awareness about screenings for young people, and the British Heart Foundation (bhf.org.uk) which is researching new treatments and cures.

Our programme is all about prevention, about early diagnosis and early intervention. Let’s not wait for things to escalate - even from a purely pragmatic, financial perspective, the cost of waiting till someone needs heart surgery is a lot higher.”

The need for education about heart conditions doesn’t just extend to young people - Hilary believes that doctors and healthcare professionals also need to be made aware of the risk.

“At the heart of our tragedy is the fact that a year before Clarissa passed away, she fainted at Cambridge while playing a game in the park with some friends. She went to hospital and had a number of tests, including an ECG. Someone missed her condition on that ECG. I don’t know if it was misinterpreted, or if it was simply not read. Whatever the reason, the chance to save her life was lost.”

Now Hilary is determined that other young people should not lose their chance to access life-saving care. She is looking for supporters to help her raise £150,000 to continue to offer free screenings to young people.

“I’m not saying that with free screenings, nobody will die. You’re not going to be able to catch absolutely everyone. But even if we can bring the number of deaths down by half, we’ll have saved young people, just like Clarissa, with so much life left to live.”

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Beauty / News



GIVENCHY HAS LAUNCHED a new Perfecto Serum Lip Oil and Prisme Libre Highlighter Powder, available at Harrods. Perfecto is the house's first lip oil with skincare effects – it's made up of 99 per cent skincare ingredients but enhanced with a bright colour. The four jewel-like shades are a nod to the gems used in Sarah Burton's first women's ready-to-wear fashion collection for Givenchy. The highlighter features two complementary marbled shades that combine blurring powders and light-reflecting pearl for the ultimate glow, thanks to Givenchy's exclusive Prismatic Light technology. Harrods, 87-135 Brompton Road

H&M BEAUTY'S summer fragrance launches are inspired by turquoise waves and white sandy beaches.

Layer the scents in their various formats, from body mists to hydrating body butters and hand creams, to give increased impact. We like Coconut Escape, with coconut, ylang ylang and vanilla.

H&M, 72 King's Road



DERMALOGICA HAS tapped into biohacking with its latest launch, FutureCode Booster. Designed to work with the skin rather than override it, it focuses on optimising the skin's natural repair processes over time, targeting daily cellular stress. Think long-term support rather than a quick fix.

*Dermalogica,
37 Duke of York Square*



HIGH-PERFORMANCE skincare brand Salt & Stone has added a new scent, Lily & Yuzu, across a deodorant, body wash and body mist. The brand is a cult favourite in its native LA and there's a delicious-smelling new body oil, too: snap it up at Space NK. *Space NK, 27 Duke of York Square*



THIRD SPACE CHELSEA has opened at 19 Mallord Street. Five floors of facilities include a three-lane track and functional rig, red light therapy, sound and vibration therapy beds and more than 250 classes a week. The wet spa has a hydrotherapy pool, a Löyly Helsinki sauna and steam room and a cold plunge pool.

SKINWORK FACIALS are now available at Harvey Nichols, with a new space in the ground-floor treatment room. The brand's treatments aim to rejuvenate the skin and improve common conditions, from acne scarring to visible signs of ageing. Facials combine professional skincare with technology – give it a try. *Harvey Nichols, 109-125 Knightsbridge*





JO MALONE LONDON'S popular room sprays now come in miniatures – perfect for travels, when you can make anywhere smell like home with Lime Basil & Mandarin, English Pear & Freesia and Peony & Blush Suede.

Jo Malone, 17 King's Road



14 DAY MANI has launched Nail Gloss, available at Neville Hair & Beauty. Created in five easy-to-wear shades, it's ideal for summer travel as it delivers up to two weeks of glossy, gel-like colour without the lamp or salon visit. It's also easy to remove and switch up. Designed to work as a complete system, it pairs with a base coat and top coat for extra shine.

Neville Hair & Beauty, 5 Pont Street



THERE'S BEEN A huge makeover to the fourth floor at Harvey Nichols, making it a serious wellness destination. Start with a session from cult favourite Pilates in the Clouds, before picking up some new athleisure wear from niche and popular brands or grabbing a Smoov smoothie and supplements from Healf. The floor is also now home to Harvey Nichols Clinic, offering a range of beauty services.

Harvey Nichols, 109-125 Knightsbridge





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HOW DID YOU END UP IN CHELSEA?

I've always loved Chelsea – I used to go out on the King's Road back in the day, 30-odd years ago. During the pandemic, a friend encouraged me to open a store as the business was growing, and Chelsea felt like the right fit.

WHAT MAKES THIS AREA SPECIAL?

Chelsea has such a strong sense of history and fashion. Back in the 1960s and 70s it was a real cultural hub – from Granny Takes a Trip to Vivienne Westwood – with musicians and creatives shaping its identity. It

WHAT INSPIRED YOU TO SET UP YOUR OWN LABEL?

It happened quite organically. I was doing a yoga teacher training course in Thailand, very open to a new direction, and the idea came to me there. I started by designing scarves and shawls in India. Fifteen years on, it's a full ready-to-wear collection – something I never could have predicted, but it's evolved very naturally.

YOU'VE HIT A LANDMARK YEAR – HOW WILL YOU CELEBRATE AND WHAT'S NEXT FOR HAYLEY MENZIES?

I can't believe it has been 15 years – it's flown by,

which is slightly terrifying. I'm celebrating like Paris Hilton in the 90s, with a series of events across the month, including a customer dinner in our Duke of

York Square store, a press day and in-store celebrations. Looking ahead, I'd love to expand into new product categories – potentially homeware and menswear – and continue building the brand into a broader lifestyle space.

FAVOURITE: HIDDEN GEM?

The fashion fairs at Chelsea Town Hall – they pop up every few months and you can always find real vintage treasures.

RESTAURANT?

Colbert – it's a classic. There's always a great atmosphere, and it always feels like a treat.

COFFEE SHOP?

The Black Penny on Duke of York Square – I often nip out there for meetings and they always look after me.

AS FASHION DESIGNER HAYLEY MENZIES CELEBRATES HER Eponymous LABEL'S 15TH BIRTHDAY THIS YEAR, SHE LOOKS BACK ON HER JOURNEY AND REVEALS HER FAVOURITE THINGS ABOUT CHELSEA

AS TOLD TO: SOPHIA CHARALAMBOUS

takes me back to when I first moved to London, shopping for my Ministry of Sound outfits. It's always had that blend of style and edge.



TOP: HAYLEY MENZIES FASHION
ABOVE: THE BLACK PENNY COFFEE
LEFT: COLBERT CHELSEA
INSET: VIVIENNE WESTWOOD
IMAGE: EMMA PHARAOH
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