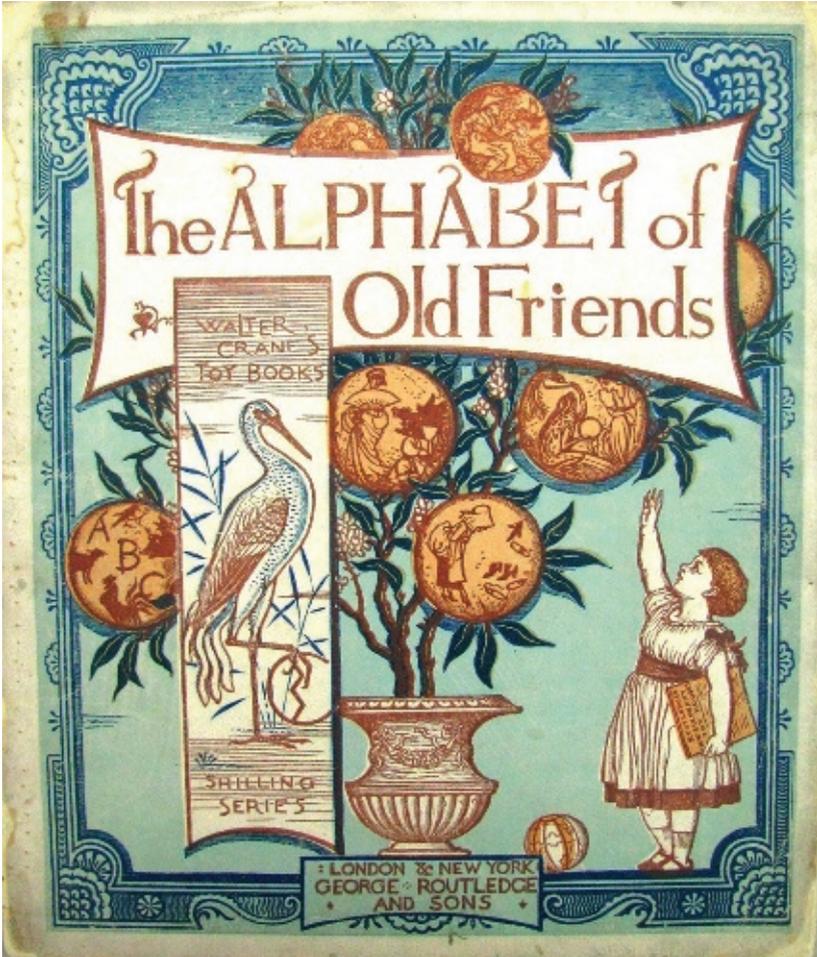


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Palm Sunday 14th April

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Quite often the monthly theme for this magazine takes on a life of its own and this month has been no exception. Holland Street, a unique 'Kensington village' just off Kensington Church St. provided us with so much material. Memories of shops past, architectural heritage and social history together with a look at the current crop of unique and independently run retail businesses gives us an all-encompassing perspective on this tiny street in W8.

If you are concerned about the current state of what might appear to be the demise of Kensington High Street, why not join residents, business owners, landlords, cultural institutions and members of the Council on the evening of 10th April, to hear about exciting plans for it now and to have your say in making contributions to future plans? Please see page 30 for more information.

We hope you enjoy exploring and finding out more about hidden gems in Kensington, Lucy

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Holland Street: Conflicts over Construction are Nothing New in Kensington

By Sarah Goldsmith

Almost three hundred years ago, the first development of Holland Street ended with the developer fleeing prison and proceedings for a wrongful arrest. A relatively small street running west to east from Campden Hill Road to Kensington Church Street, Holland Street was originally called Parson's Yard, most likely due to the proximity to St. Mary Abbott's Church. The land itself had been ceded to the church by Aubrey DeVere in 1100, as requested by his son who credited the church with his cure from illness.

In 1538, during the Dissolution of the Monasteries, the land reverted back to the Crown. Passing through a number of hands in the late 16th century, Sir Baptist Hicks (later the first Viscount Campden and whose descendants became the Earls of Gainsborough) purchased the property sometime after 1600. His grandson, Baron Noel, the third Viscount, sold the property in 1656 to John Sams, whose descendants sold it to John Jones in 1722.

Jones had been a bricklayer in Kensington, and his development of Holland Street was on a large scale, with plans to build houses on both sides of the street, with those on the north side fronting towards what is now Dukes Lane. At that time, Dukes Lane was known as Campden Lane, leading to Campden House, which was occupied by Nicholas Lechmere, the 1st Baron Lechmere. When one of the houses Jones was building collapsed onto Holland Street, he was forced to use Campden Lane to bring building materials to his development site. Lord Lechmere claimed that the Lane was private and objected to Jones's use of the Lane. He complained to two justices of the peace about the use of the Lane, and as Lechmere was the former Attorney-General, the justices responded quickly. The next day, they stopped two

of Jones's carts, filled with sand, at the entrance to the Lane. There are several accounts of what happened next, but one camp stated that "with much rudeness and saucyness" a fight broke out between Jones's workmen and the justices and Lord Lechmere. According to the Survey of London, Jones's workmen then made "very loud Huzzas and Shouts", "making fun of the justices and "urging disrespectful words of Lord Lechmere." Jones was "fetched from a barber's shop, climbed onto the scaffolding, and was seen to be encouraging the workmen to resist." He was fined £20 on the spot, but refused to pay, and was sent to Newgate by one of the justices. Jones then made a run for it when the constable escorting him to prison stopped to talk to the prison guard, slipping away "as fast as he could towards the Temple to his Lawyer'...with one of Lord Lechmere's servants in hot pursuit." Jones's lawyer, Thomas Vaughan, returned with him to Newgate, where he paid the fine and an additional amount to be entered into the admission book so as not to have additional proceedings against him for fleeing from prison!

Lord Lechmere was then granted an injunction restraining Jones from building on Holland Street. Jones himself began proceedings against the justice that arrested him for wrongful arrest. Lechmere was not the only heavy-handed participant in these proceedings; apparently Jones also tried to bribe the constable to testify for him as well as another witness with whom he plied alcohol. The injunction expired in March 1727 with Jones's death and a few months later in June with Lord Lechmere's death of apoplexy while he was dining in Campden House. The development and land was passed onto Jones's wife Rebecca and son-in-law John Price (also a bricklayer), who then continued the development of Holland Street.

Note though that today most of the buildings on Holland Street have been rebuilt, although the general character remains.

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9.15am Holy Eucharist, 10am Lenten reflection

Maundy Thursday 18 April 6:30pm Holy Eucharist
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Notes on 'The Old House', 13 Holland Street

By Guest Writer, Nick Campailla

'The Old House', with four bays, a pedimented doorcase and large flat-headed windows, is generally considered to have been a new build by Kensington bricklayer John Price in 1760, and first occupied by Lady Mary Fitzgerald in 1764. However, other information suggests that there may be more architectural mystery to unravel.

When Walter Crane, the artist, designer and children's book illustrator, moved with his family to 'The Old House' in 1892, he noted that 'on a fine old leaden cistern there was the date 1764', but also that 'the style of some of the mouldings and woodwork suggested an earlier date'. Crane lived there until his death in 1915, pursuing a Bohemian lifestyle in a household that included a 'live alligator' and 'a marmoset that slept in the fireplace'.

The present owner recently told the Kensington Magazine that she keeps an original vellum deed under the bed measuring about 30 inches square and that the first date reads 'The Old Parsonage 1654'. She also said an architectural historian had told her that exposed brickwork in the house showed a method of construction used in the 17th century.

In c.1100 a grant of land to the Abbey of St. Mary at Abingdon gave rise to a new manor of approximately 270 acres, known as the Abbots Kensington. In 1599 Sir Walter Cope became the owner of the Abbots Kensington, which by that time was vested in the Crown and had a tenant, Robert Horseman, with whom Cope was locked in a long-running feud. Cope was required by the Privy Council to sell a large part of the manor to Horseman, including the medieval Manor House or Parsonage House, i.e. 'The Old Parsonage', in which Horseman lived. After Horseman died in 1600, transfers of the Parsonage continued until 1722 when it was purchased by John Jones, the uncle



'The Old House', once home to Walter Crane:
Could this be the Oldest House in Kensington?

and father-in-law of John Price. There seems to have been some doubt about where the Parsonage was situated: a 1717 plan puts it near Kensington Church Street, but evidence from deeds places it further west between Gregory Walk and Kensington Church Walk. Then the trail goes cold because the Parsonage was demolished and nobody knows exactly when. Is it therefore possible that John Price's 1760 building work was substantially fashioned out of the foundations and materials of The Old Parsonage and if so, with nearby Kensington Square dating from 1675, could 'The Old House' also lay claim to be 'The Oldest House' surviving in Kensington?

As ever, local history research remains constant work-in-progress for anyone challenging the past to reveal itself.



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Memories of Holland Street!

By Maria Perry with illustration by Charles Yorke

When Lucy announced our theme for April would be Holland Street, I was delighted. It was a chance to write about The Home of the Heavenly Hamburger. It stood where we now have Wilford's, the estate agents and its clientele included the celebrities of the moment. The décor was nostalgic - Bentwood chairs and little tables on the pavement. Inside, walls the colour of milk chocolate, but so cunningly lit, that they never seemed dowdy or dull. It was the first attempt to bring in a more succulent burger than the omnipresent Wimpey, preceding even, I think, MacDonald's. There have been many subsequent variations.

The most recent being Byron with a branch at the top of the High Street, near the entrance to Holland Park, but The Home of the Heavenly Hamburger was memorable because my son, at a prep school of his own choice, was entirely happy. To come home to an eaterie as outstanding as THoHH completed his euphoria. Later he was amused by what stood next door to the THoHH - Equinox, the occult book-shop, owned by Jimmy Page, the rock star, from the band Led Zeppelin.

Holland Street at that era was a village within a village. Everything we needed was on hand. No 9 was a baby clinic where we received National Health Orange Juice and Miss Szabo weighed the infants. She swore she could distinguish the bottle-fed from the breast-fed by dropping a heavy weight behind the scales; The bottle-fed babes screamed, the breast-fed remained placid.

Half way down the street the Elephant and Castle annually received the Brighter Kensington Award for its luxuriant window boxes, tended, voluntarily, by Rick, who lived with Clive in Hornton Street. They had been partners for 40 years. At Clive's funeral it was said "The Elephant was his drawing room" as he



entertained so regularly there. The diversity of his friends was phenomenal. He taught me all I know about computers at a time when most people didn't even own one!

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GENERAL NEWS

The Executive Committee of the Kensington Business Forum are delighted to bring to you, Kensington's first comprehensive Map, detailing our cultural heritage. Book-ended by two parks, Kensington High St. is not only home to many retailers, but cultural icons such as Kensington Palace, Japan House, The Design Museum, and just off the High St. Leighton House and Linley Sambourne House. In addition there are the small village streets in which independent retailers and businesses help to give W8 its uniqueness.

The Kensington Map is on the centre pages, please pull out and keep the map, either for yourself or your guests. Explore the blue plaques, follow the cultural trail and support our small shops! This map will also be made available, via the concierge in all W8 hotels.

Are you concerned about the state of the High St? If so, please come along to a shared event '**Revitalising The High Street**' with the Kensington Business Forum and RBKC for an evening of sharing KBF's plans for the High St from now to Christmas, and RBKC's thoughts for the future. Canapes and drinks will be served. There will be presentations, Q&As and the chance to find out more about local developments such as the Odeon and Boots site. This is Your High Street and Your opportunity to have input into how you would like it to be in the future. Exciting stuff! Please see page 30 for more information. (If you are unable to attend but would be happy to complete a short survey please use : <http://www.rbkc.gov.uk/revitalising-ken-high-street>).

Ideal Home Exhibition 2019. We have been asked to reach out to the local community to offer complimentary tickets to the current Ideal Home Show at Olympia. If you are

interested in obtaining a pair of tickets, please use this link <https://idealhome.seetickets.com/tour/ideal-home-show?OfferCode=KBNFREE>

Kensington resident, singer songwriter **Miel de Botton** releases her new album 'Surrender To The Feeling' in April and has announced she will be supporting Wet Wet Wet on tour, which includes a London date at the Adelphi Theatre on the 19th May. Miel recorded her debut album 'Magnetic' with Andy Wright (Simply Red, Eurythmics, Jeff Beck, Imelda May). Since then she has embarked on a number of concerts in the UK and worldwide, she has also supported both John Barrowman and Rhydian Roberts on their UK tours and performed at key festivals including 'Camp Bestival' and 'CarFest'. For more information see www.mielmusic.co.uk

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- accepting its not quite the same experience as visiting the cherry trees in Japan, it is, nonetheless, quite spectacular.

NEW BUSINESSES IN KENSINGTON

In Holland Street, a beautiful 'floral boutique' has opened. Run by Anna, with years of experience as a florist, this is her first solo venture. '**Petal Vibes**' has a huge selection of freshly supplied cut flowers and plants and Anna is happy to prepare flower arrangements and bouquets for any occasion. Please do visit this new addition to Holland Street.

Family-run business **Leonidas**, currently in a small unit in the Kensington Arcade, are delighted to announce that after 14 years they will be moving to their new and much larger premises at the front of the Arcade. Nas and Jackie would like to thank their customers for previous support and look forward to welcoming all to their new premises. This new venture will reflect an exciting new brand of Leonidas.

Following the success of 'Baby Hawks' at Hawkesdown House School, **The Walnut Tree Nursery**, for boys and girls from 2 years opens this Summer Term! There will be options for morning, the afternoon or all day at this early nursery just off Kensington Church Street, near Notting Hill. The children in this group will move up to the 3+ Nursery and then on to Reception. If parents have a child for whom they would be interested in a place at the Walnut Tree Nursery, they should contact the School Office on 020 7727 9090, or email the School at admin@hawkesdown.co.uk.

Cafe' Society is happy to announce the opening of their second cafe, this one at No. 1 Kynance Mews, SW7 4QS. Here staff will be

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The Rugby Portobello Trust presents Midsummer Music featuring The Outcry Ensemble on Wed 5 June 6:30pm to 9:00pm at St Mary Abbots Church. RPT invites you to an evening of Mozart's Eine Kleine Nachtmusik and Beethoven's Violin Concerto with The Outcry Ensemble. The orchestra will be conducted by ensemble founder James Henshaw (English National Opera, Garsington Opera, BBC Proms), featuring renowned violinist Oscar Perks. All funds raised will be in support of RPT's programmes for children and young people in North Kensington. Tickets are £75 via www.rptmidsummermusic.co.uk.

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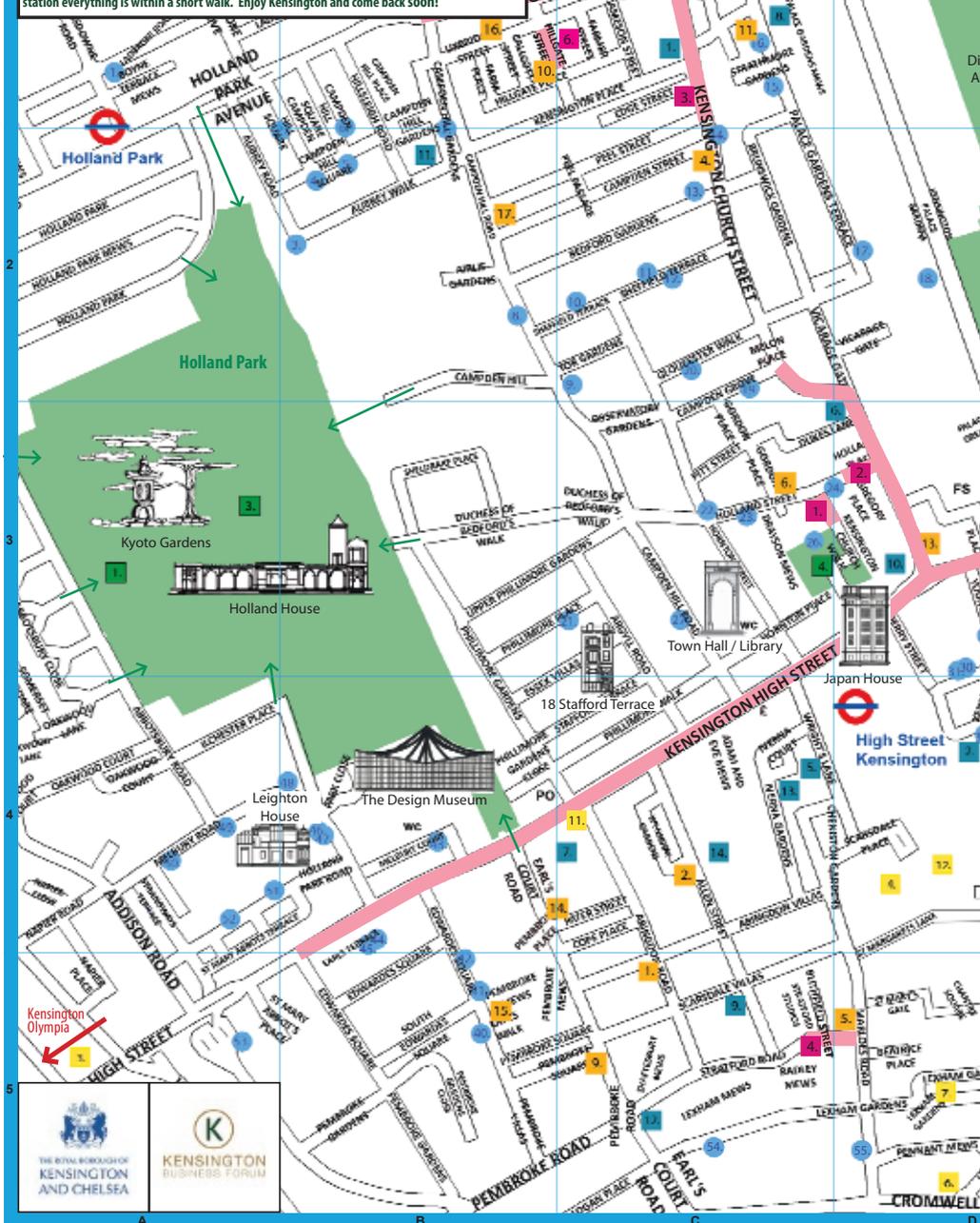
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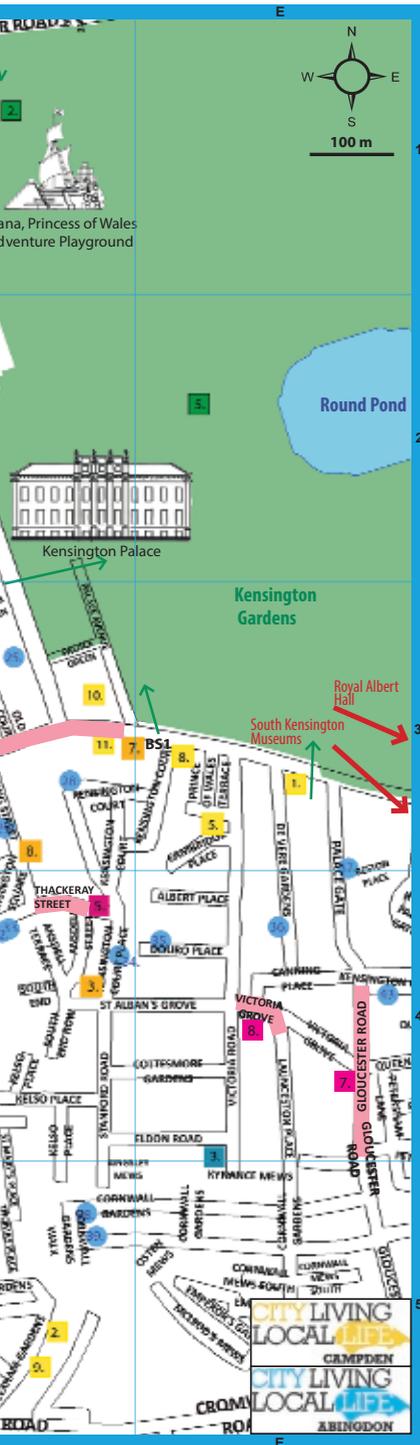


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-  Holland House C3
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-  Kensington Palace D2
-  Kyoto Gardens A3
-  Leighton House Museum A4
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- 38 Compton-Burnett, Dame Ivy D5
- 39 Ratigan, Sir Terrace D5
- 40 Rothenstein, Sir William B5
- 41 Foscolo, Ugo B5
- 42 Dickinson, Goldsworthy Lowes B5
- 43 Low, Sir David B4
- 44 Pater, Walter B4
- 45 Daniel, Thomas B5
- 46 Holman-Hunt, William, OM B4
- 47 Getshwayo, ka Mpande, King of the Zulus B4
- 48 Fildes, Sir Luke B4
- 49 Stone, Marcus A4
- 50 Thorneycroft, Sir Hamo A4
- 51 Leighton, Lord A4
- 52 May, Sir Phil A4
- 53 Chesterton, Gilbert Keith A5
- 54 Constantine, Sir Learie C5
- 55 Lang, Andrew D5

PLACES OF WORSHIP

- 1 Bethesda Baptist Church C1
- 2 Chapel Convent Assumption D4
- 3 Christ Church E5
- 4 Essex Unitarian Church C1
- 5 First Church of Christ Scientist C4
- 6 Our Lady of Mount Carmel & St Simon C3
- 7 Our Lady of Victories C4
- 8 Second Church of Christ Scientist C1
- 9 St Marks Coptic Orthodox Church C5
- 10 St Mary Abbots D3
- 11 St George's Church B2
- 12 St Philips Church C5
- 13 St Sarkis Armenian Church C4
- 14 United Reformed Church C4

FREE WIFI

Free wi-fi throughout the area. Search for '02 wi-fi' on your smartphone.

BLUE PLAQUES

- 1 Lansdowne House A1
- 2 Underhill, Evelyn A2
- 3 Aubrey House B2
- 4 Sassoon, Siegfried B2
- 5 Morgan, Charles B2
- 6 Stuart, John McDougal B2
- 7 Rambert, Dame Marie B2
- 8 Brant, Bill B2
- 9 Ford, Ford Madox C2
- 10 Christie, Dame Agatha C2
- 11 Carlile, Prebendary Wilson C2
- 12 Henry, Sir Edward C2
- 13 Bridge, Frank C2
- 14 Clementi, Muzio C2
- 15 Beerbohm, Sir Max C1
- 16 Lewis, Percy Wyndham C1
- 17 Maxwell, James Clerk D1
- 18 Haakon VII, King D1
- 19 Joyce, James C2
- 20 Sibelius, Jean C2
- 21 Grahame, Kenneth C3
- 22 Stanford, Sir Charles C3
- 23 Hall, Raddclyffe C3
- 24 Crane, Walter C3
- 25 Thackeray, William Makepeace D3
- 26 Pound, Ezra C3
- 27 Newbolt, Sir Henry C3
- 28 Crompton, Colonel R E D3
- 29 Thackeray, William Makepeace D3
- 30 Burne-Jones, Sir Edward D4
- 31 Simon, Sir John D4
- 32 Parry, Sir Hubert D4
- 33 Mill, Sir John Stuart D4
- 34 Elliot, T S, D4
- 35 Palmer, Samuel E4
- 36 James, Henry E4

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- 38 Compton-Burnett, Dame Ivy D5
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GREEN SPACES

- 1 Adventure Playground (Holland Park) A3
- 2 Diana, Princess of Wales Memorial Playground D1
- 3 Holland Park A3
- 4 St. Mary Abbots Gardens C3
- 5 Kensington Gardens E2

-  Shopping Areas
-  Underground Station
-  Park
-  Park Entrance

-  Public Toilet B4, C3
-  Bureau De Change C4
-  Post Office B4, C1
-  BS1 Hop on / Hop off Tourist Bus D3

-  FS Fire Station D3
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The Hanging Baskets of Holland Street

By Benedict Bull

In Holland Street, the recently refurbished 'Elephant and Castle' pub boasts new hanging baskets. I paused and remembered some fun evenings there, outside mostly, drinking with friends, Summers past. I had one friend in the old Carmelite monastery flats and another working in the press just around the corner and made more inside too.

The enduring attraction of hanging baskets, the passing of good company and the re-emergence of the pub got me thinking about what the hanging baskets add? How they can draw one in and entice off the street to open one's wallet and much more besides.

Hanging baskets are very different from most planting in general as no floor space is used. Furthermore, plants at eye level have a greater visual impact than the very same display at foot height or waist height for example. At a practical level, they are ingenious because they do not take up valuable ground space, and leave the pub uncluttered. Or planting can be used to screen service areas or areas under development. They are also discrete units that can be managed and outsourced, and replaced at intervals, so they are easily quantified and budgeted too. I am a great fan. Hanging baskets are part of our street furniture, but this is especially so in pubs and restaurants where one needs to get folk inside. It is very much where a landlord has decided to make his fief a place where the punters want to hang out.

In Kensington we have one of the foremost examples of this in the Churchill Arms, closeby in Kensington Church Street. It is certain that the success of the pub is correlated with the success of the hanging baskets. What is interesting here is that it started out as just a



The newly refurbished Elephant & Castle Pub with its floral display, enticing visitors.

few and then developed into the obsession and stunning undertaking that it is now, with its high-profile commitment and rewards.

In short, hanging baskets and how a pub looks are what entice customers to walk in and stay in - whether somewhat modestly as at the Elephant and Castle, or the more flamboyant Churchill Arms. It is still a bit chilly for me to want to stand outside, but catching the eye is the start of the story.

Editor's Note: Holland Street is just one of a number of 'Village Streets' in Kensington. The others are: Kensington Church Walk, Thackeray St. Launceston Place, Hillgate Village and Stratford Road - all can be found on the Kensington Map - centre fold pages.

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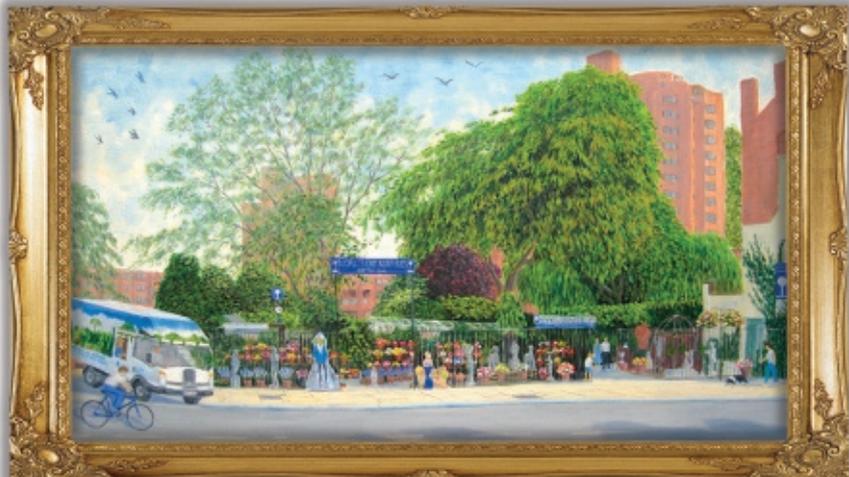
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Unique, Independent Retailers in the Village of Holland Street

By Guest Writer, Alessandra Guerrieri

Quite often when you are looking for that special something, it's difficult to find amongst the commercially produced products usually on offer. Here in Kensington, we are lucky enough to have several 'village streets'; Holland Street being one of them, where you can find a range of small, independent retail businesses, providing you with a range of unique products and services. Whether you are looking for art galleries or sophisticated interior design stores or more, you don't have to go to central London: all you need is in your neighbourhood and better still, on your doorstep.

In this small but rich street, visiting **Eight Holland Street** is a must. It's a creative space halfway between an art gallery and a shop providing furnishing accessories, precious fabrics, ornaments and paintings by European artists (www.8hollandstreet.com). It's as wonderful as **Willer** next door, another art gallery. Here, when you ring the bell, you have the impression of someone welcoming you to their own home sharing with you the immense artistic heritage made up of objects and furnishings by European artists. Objects and furniture, for a truly refined lifestyle, where ancient and contemporary coexist peacefully (www.willer.co.uk/home).

For a chance to feel part of the world of the celebrities, knock on Number 4, photography gallery of **Robert Young**. Each photograph reflects the world of entertainment between fashion and culture around the world. The images show moments of everyday life behind the scenes of a imminent show or waiting for the beginning of an event. (www.richardyoung.co.uk).

If you fancy a coffee break, stop off at **Platter London**. A small bar with an array of food and cakes on offer; beautifully presented sweet and savoury dishes to satisfy any hunger pains (www.platterlondon.com).

In the street where everything is meticulously detailed, **Pickwicks** should not be missed. More than a shop, it looks like a fairy tale: every object seems animated, alive. The retail space is reminiscent of the interior of a home; floral table cloths, jewellery ('Above the Belt' and run by Jacqueline's daughter, Tonky), postcards, candles, cards and accessories. It's the perfect place if you are looking for a quality unique/different gift. Jacqueline, beautifully coiffured, elegant and polite, is on hand to provide help and advice.

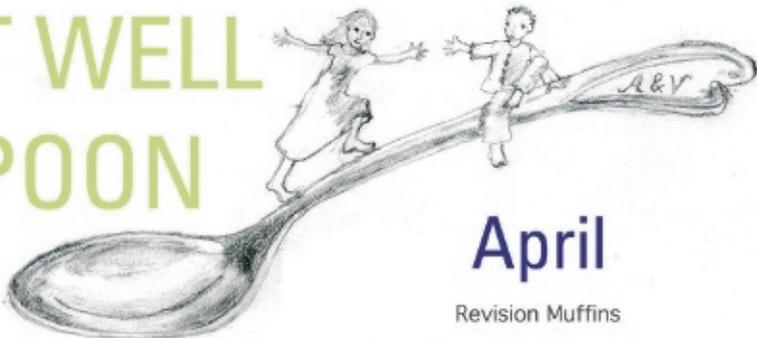
Continue walking to the end of the street, where you will find the sophisticated jewellery boutique **Manguette**. The name written on the facade might remind you of a luxury shop in Rue de Montagne in Paris, but this being with a more minimal touch. (www.manguette.com).

A florist is always a useful addition to any street and here we have a 'floral boutique' - **'Petal Vibes'** for beautiful floral compositions to help make celebrations and occasions unique. Another interesting place to visit in this magical street is **Musa**. It's not the classic clothing store, but instead it will inspire you with experiences of travelling around the world. Here you can find handmade sandals and many other accessories to create original outfits (www.musalondon.com).

At the end of this tour after purchasing unusual and original gifts or just having an exploratory wander, you can enjoy a relaxing time at **Marcela's Beauty and Nail** shop. Run by Marcela, her team of professionals are all truly dedicated to making you feel just that bit more special! (www.marcelas.co.uk).

Editors Note: In addition to the above are **Menoo Eclectic**, a cafe and delicatessen; **Wilfords**, an estate agency; **Chakra**, an Indian Restaurant; and **Tatiana**, a hair extension technician salon. All independently owned businesses.

GET WELL SPOON



April

Revision Muffins

Simple to make and delicious, these muffins will help to keep your children healthy and will give them sustenance as they revise. They are also dairy and gluten-free.

- 6 grated carrots
- 2 tbsps Manuka Honey
- 110g raisins
- 2 eggs
- 65ml coconut or vegetable oil
- 1 apple stewed to apple sauce
- 1 tsp vanilla extract
- 110g crushed drained pineapple
- 340g wheat-free flour
- 1 level tsp baking powder
- small pinch salt
- 2 tsp ground cinnamon
- 120g chopped walnuts

In a medium bowl, combine the carrots, raisins and honey. Set aside for 60 minutes. Preheat the oven to 180C. Grease and flour a muffin tin. In a large bowl, beat eggs until light. Gradually beat in the apple sauce, oil and vanilla. Stir in the pineapple. Combine the flour, baking powder, salt and cinnamon. Stir into the mixture until absorbed. Finally, stir in the carrots and the walnuts. Pour evenly into the prepared tins.

Bake for 40 minutes in the oven, until the muffins are baked (test with a sharp knife or skewer). Cool for 10 minutes before removing from tin.

These muffins are a great way of getting some vegetables, fruit, nuts and protein into nervous children.

Cinnamon is highly antioxidant and considered antimicrobial. The high amount of vitamin C, carotenoids and flavanones



in apples, coconut oil and pineapple are all anti-inflammatory and support immune balance. They all support digestion, and pineapples are also full of manganese which is an essential component of the antioxidant defence, and the CCS and CCZ compounds which boost immunity.

Walnuts contain good fats, such as monounsaturated and polyunsaturated fats, and are also a valuable source of the essential fatty acid omega-3 which can help reduce oxidative stress in the brain. They also contain iron, selenium, calcium, zinc, vitamin E and some B vitamins.

Walnuts contain important phytochemicals which are believed to benefit brain health and function, and folate and ellagic acid which improve memory function.

Our book, "Knife, Fork, Get Well Spoon" is available at [Wholefoods in Kensington](#) & on [amazon.co.uk](#)

The Kensington Crossword

By Dave Saunders



Pit your wits against our Kensington-centric crossword. Answers on page 29

Across

- 1) _____ Terrace, residential street between Holland Park Rd and Melbury Rd, W14 (10)
- 2) Guru MakeUp _____, professional makeup supplier at 12 Kensington Church St, W8 (8)
- 3) _____ Smee, British character actor who died in Kensington in 2014 (5)
- 4) David _____, antiques shop located at 113 Kensington church St, W8 (6)
- 5) _____ Sixty, ladies' clothes shop at 42 Kensington High Street (4)
- 6) Holland Park _____ Centre, conservation and educational facility in W8 (7)
- 7) _____ Street, cul-de-sac off Elm Place, SW7 (5)
- 8) _____ Street, residential street crossed at the North end by Uxbridge St, W8 (8)
- 9) _____ Street, cul-de-sac off Elm Place, SW7 (5)

Down

- 1) _____ Place, residential street to the North of Duchess of Bedford's Walk, W8 (9)
- 4) Sweaty _____, activewear shop located at 5 Kensington Church St, W8 (5)
- 7) Antiques shop on Kensington Church Street which closed in February 2017 (3)
- 10) _____ de Rib, Mediterranean restaurant in Kensington which closed in 2016 (4)
- 11) Il _____, Italian restaurant located at 277 Kensington High St (7)
- 12) _____'s Cupcakes, confectioners' at 125 Kensington High St (4)
- 13) _____ Garden, Japanese garden in Holland Park, W11 (5)
- 14) _____ Tavern, traditional pub at 3A Kensington High Street, W8 (4)
- 15) Retail chain of trade tools and hardware which opened a Kensington store in 2017 (8)
- 16) Country which has its embassy situated at 6 Kensington Court, W8 (7)
- 17) William Hamilton _____, scholar and educator, born in Kensington in 1878 (4)



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AFTER WORK GARDENING IN KENSINGTON GARDENS

1 April 6.00 -7.30 pm (thereafter every first Monday of the month). Booking required. If you want to volunteer but struggle to fit it in around the nine to five, then these twilight gardening sessions are for you. Discover how to grow everything from pumpkins and potatoes, to peas and beans in the volunteer-run allotment in Kensington Gardens. Duties will include planting, watering and harvesting an array of vegetables and fruits. Venue: Kensington Gardens allotment. For further info please see www.royalparks.org.uk/ volunteer. To reserve your place please email volunteering@royalparks.org.uk

MIKE + THE MECHANICS

1 April 7:30pm from £33.75
As part of their nationwide tour, Looking Back Over My Shoulder will include tracks from their highly acclaimed latest album Let Me Fly, as well as hit singles including The Living Years, and the unforgettable Over My Shoulder. Royal Albert Hall. www.royalalberthall.com

THE FRIENDS OF HOLLAND PARK ANNUAL ART EXHIBITION

Saturday 6 to Sunday 14 April FREE Admission
Works by over 75 artists range from paintings, drawings, photographs, prints, ceramics, sculptures, cards and craft items which are all for sale. The Friends are a registered charity every sale also helps support this very special park. Sponsored by Ilchester Estates. Venue: The Orangery Holland Park
Saturday 6th April 1 – 6pm
Sunday 7th to Sunday 14th April daily 10.30am – 6.00 pm
www.thefriendsofhollandpark.org

EASTER LINDT GOLD BUNNY HUNT at KENSINGTON PALACE

6-22 April 10am-6pm, incl. in Palace Admission
Follow the clues on the trail to find large golden bunny statues hidden around the palace and gardens, whilst discovering some of Kensington Palace's famous characters from the past. Solve the challenges to win your delicious Lindt Gold Bunny chocolate reward!
www.hrp.org.uk

KENSINGTON GARDENER'S CLUB: VISIT TO KEW

Saturday 6 April
Pat Smallcombe, former Kew Gardener will take you on a 'Spring Walk in Kew Gardens'.
www.kensingtongardeners.co.uk or call Fionnuala on 020 7727 3897 for details.

OLIVIER AWARDS

7 April Seated 5:30pm From £33
Celebrate the very best of London Theatre with exclusive tickets to the Olivier Awards 2019. Now in its 43rd year, the ceremony showcases extraordinary talent and live performances from the West End's biggest shows. Royal Albert Hall. www.royalalberthall.com

VANESSA GARDINER EXHIBITION: "Peninsula"

9 – 26 April
Drawn to the natural geometry of the Greek and Cornish coastlines, Gardiner has created a stunning paintings of dramatic landscapes made up of highly structured, slate cliffs and tidal inlets. Venue: Thackeray Gallery 020 7937 5883. www.thackeraygallery.com

REVITALISING KENSINGTON HIGH STREET

Wednesday 10 April 6.30 - 9.00 pm.
Joint event with The Kensington Business Forum and Kensington & Chelsea Council. Learn about exciting current and future plans for the High St. and have your say. Canapes

Kensington Cultural Quarter: What's On II

and drinks, presentations and Q&As. See page 30 for more information.

THE FRIENDS OF HOLLAND PARK CONCERT THE ANCORA DUO

Friday 12 April at 7.30pm

Tickets £18 including wine and canapés

In a wonderfully varied programme, Anne Allen, violin, and Sarah Freestone, guitar, will play pieces by Bach, Fauré, Massenet, Scheidler, Piazzolla, Ibert and Paradis.

The Orangery, Holland Park, W8 6LU

www.thefriendsofhollandpark.org

THE FRIENDS OF HOLLAND PARK MOSS WALK

Saturday 13 April 11am-1pm. FREE but places strictly limited

The walk will be led by John Wells, who will demonstrate the beauty of these natural wonders. Meet in Stable Yard. Please bring a hand lens of at least x 10 magnification. To book contact rhoddy.wood@virgin.net or 020 7602 0304.

BRADT TRAVEL GUIDES BIG CAT FESTIVAL

13 April 10am From £35

Bradt's Big Cat Festival returns with another packed day of inspiring talks and practical workshops. This year's headline speaker is Chris Packham. A big day out for big cat lovers! Venue: Royal Geographical Society. www.rgs.org.

BACH 'ST JOHN PASSION' AT ST MARY ABBOTS CHURCH

Palm Sunday, 14 April 2019 6.30pm

A special Easter Baroque concert by candlelight, recreating the atmosphere of Bach's original performance. Played on Baroque instruments by the Purcell Orchestra with the St Mary Abbots Choir & Singers. Tickets: £20 (under 16s: £10) available online: www.smaw8.org/stjohnpassion2019

BE INSPIRED: GEOPOLITICAL ENCLAVES OF WESTERN EUROPE AND ISSUES OF EUROPEAN IDENTITY

15 April 2:30pm-4pm From £5, book in advance

Vitali Vitaliev takes us on fascinating journey through Europe's forgotten enclaves. These geographical and historical anomalies, like tiny islands often entirely surrounded by a sea of difference, have survived for centuries stuck between two different cultures, currencies and (at times) languages. Royal Geographical Society. www.rgs.org.

AN EVENING WITH ALFIE BOE

17 April 7:30pm From £48.38

Alfie Boe, one of the world's greatest classical singers, will be performing classical '30s and '40s hits from his recently released solo album, *As Time Goes By*. Royal Albert Hall www.royalalberthall.com

BRITISH AND CONTINENTAL PICTURES AND PRINTS AUCTION

17 April at 11am

The auction is particularly strong in Modern British pictures with works by Augustus John, John Bratby, Anne Redpath and Dame Laura Knight. Intriguing Continental pictures include 'Lenin Hunting' by Moravov (1878-1951). Olympia Auctions, 25 Blythe Road W14 0PD. 020 7806 5541. www.olympiaauctions.com

GYPSY KINGS

18 April 7:30pm from £60.63

The Gipsy Kings, France's most successful group of all time, will return to the Royal Albert Hall in 2019. Throughout their hugely successful career they've introduced millions of listeners to a unique, irresistible blend of traditional flamenco styles with Western pop and Latin rhythms through globally-popular singles such as *Bamboléo* and *Volare*. Royal Albert Hall. www.royalalberthall.com

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ECHO COLLECTIVE PLAY RADIO HEAD'S AMNESIAC at ROYAL ALBERT HALL

19 April 8pm £15 Limited £5 Elgar Room
Echo Collective are a Belgium-based ensemble whose past and ongoing collaborations include A Winged Victory for the Sullen, Erasure, Johann Johannsson and Christina Vantzou. www.royalalberthall.com

GUN SALUTE TO CELEBRATE THE QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY IN HYDE PARK

Monday 22 April Noon FREE
The Queen celebrates her 93rd birthday on 21st April. This year the firing of the canons takes place in Hyde Park and the Tower of London. The number of rounds fired in a Royal Gun Salute depends on the place and occasion. The basic salute is 21 rounds. In Hyde Park and Green Park an extra 20 rounds is added because they are both Royal Parks. Please be aware that due to the noise level of the gun salute, dogs should be kept well away. Venue: The Parade Ground, Hyde Park

STANLEY KUBRICK: THE EXHIBITION

26 April – 15 September From £8
Step inside the world of Stanley Kubrick, one of the greatest filmmakers of the 20th century. The exhibition will offer a unique insight into the director's vast archive through original props and costumes, set models and rare photographs, while tracing the design story behind Kubrick's body of work. Venue: Design Museum. www.designmuseum.org

KENSINGTON GARDENER'S CLUB – VISIT EXBURY GARDEN

Saturday April 27, 2019.
Join colleagues for a trip to Exbury Garden, Hampshire, the 200-acre site world famous for the Rothchild collection of rhododendrons, azaleas and camellias. Call Fionnuala on 020 7727 3897. www.kensingtongardeners.co.uk

SPRING BAZAAR AT ST PHILIPS CHURCH

27 April 2019, 10.00am-3pm Cash only. Entry: £1 with the prize draw (Children, free).
Bric-a-Brac, Household items, Jewellery, Craft Stall, Books, Plants, High Quality Clothing & Accessories. Venue: St Philips Church, corner of the Earls Court Road.
Contact parishoffice@specr.org

DESIGN VENTURA

Til 28 April Free
Discover the top ten product ideas created by students aged 13-16 for the Design Museum's national schools' competition, Design Ventura. Design Museum. www.designmuseum.org

LIFE-DRAWING AND PAINTING IN LEIGHTON'S STUDIO

30 April, 21 May, 18 June, 9 July 1-3pm £30-£35
Held in Leighton's studio, a mixture of short exercises and longer poses, with reference to our permanent collection and expert tuition from artist Ann Witheridge. The course is open to artists of all levels. Leighton House Museum www.rbkc.gov.uk

DAVID ADJAYE: MAKING MEMORY

Til 5 May 10am-5pm £12 Adult £6.50 Child
Discover new monuments and memorials by celebrated British-Ghanaian architect, Sir David Adjaye OBE. See ongoing work and explore the influences behind the highly acclaimed Smithsonian National Museum of African American History and Culture in Washington D.C. and more. Venue: Design Museum

LIVING COLOURS: KASANE

The Language of Japanese Colour Combinations. Til 19 May Free
Somenotsukasa Yoshioka Dye Workshop in Kyoto explores the Japanese long had a deep appreciation of colour and a close relationship with their natural surroundings and the changing of the seasons. Japan House London www.japanhouselondon.uk

South Kensington Cultural Quarter: What's On I

QUEEN VICTORIA & PRINCE ALBERT'S BICENTENARY

From 2 April

Celebrate the 200th anniversary of Queen Victoria and Prince Albert's births with a season of events and displays, including a new addition to the jewellery collection – Queen Victoria's stunning sapphire and diamond coronet, on display from 11 April
V&A. www.vam.ac.uk

BOOK LAUNCH & CONVERSATION: CITY OF JASMINE

2 April 7pm-9pm £5

One of the most talented young writers in Germany today, Olga Grjasnowa, discusses her novel *City of Jasmine* (Gott ist nicht shüchtern) about three young Syrian protesters caught up in the growing violence in Damascus and forced to flee to Europe. Goethe Institut.
www.goethe.de/uk

HERE AND THERE

2 – 27 April, Monday to Friday 10am to 6pm and Saturday 10am to 5pm

Internationally-renowned impressionist painter Fi Katzler is set to launch her second solo exhibition where more than 60 of her paintings will be displayed as part of a new collection. Cricket Fine Art Gallery, SW10 0AD
www.cricketfineart.co.uk / www.fikatzler.com

WILD HEART

3 April 7pm £5

A portrait of the popular German punk band, 'Feine Sahne Fischfilet' and their lead singer Jan 'Monchi' Gorkow. The "most dangerous band of Western-Pomerania" was under surveillance the Office of Protection of the Constitution, while its members were raging against racism, homophobia and neo-Nazis. Goethe Institut.
www.goethe.de/uk

AIRCRAFT ELECTRIC PROPULSION: VOLTING INTO THE AIR

4 April 7pm-8:30pm

A Friends of Imperial lecture from Ric Parker, former Director of Technology, Rolls Royce and Imperial alumnus, who will examine the possibilities for large, passenger aircraft, electric propulsion, considering more electric, hybrid-electric and fully electric options.
Imperial College. www.imperial.ac.uk

MARY QUANT

6 April – 16 Feb 2020. £12 Booking Required

From miniskirts and hot pants to vibrant tights and makeup, discover how Mary Quant launched a fashion revolution on the British high street, with over 200 garments and accessories, including unseen pieces from the designer's personal archive.

V&A Museum. www.vam.ac.uk

YOGA AT THE NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM

7 April 8-9:15am £31.50-£35

A unique yoga class hosted in the Hintze Hall. Tune in to your own breathing to energise your body, before moving through a series of ancient yogic movements that connect with the Museum's collections and ties to the natural world. Natural History Museum
www.nhm.ac.uk

HITO STEYERL: POWER PLANTS

11 April – 6 May Free

Hito Steyerl is an artist and filmmaker whose work explores the complexities of the digital world, art, capitalism, and the implications of Artificial Intelligence for society. Her recent artworks cover subjects as diverse as video games, surveillance and art production. Serpentine Galleries
www.serpentinegalleries.org

South Kensington Cultural Quarter: What's On II

SCIENCE MUSEUM LATES:

ELEMENTARY: 150th ANNIVERSARY OF THE PERIODIC TABLE

24th April 6:45pm-10pm FREE-ticket required
Science Museum Lates are adults-only, after-hours theme nights that take place in the museum on the last Wednesday of every month. Science Museum
www.sciencemuseum.org.uk

IN THE SHADOWS

24 April 7pm-9pm £5

All that makes for a heist film is brought together in this Berlin-set film noir: a gangster just out of prison, an unpaid debt, a money transport and a corrupt cop. Directed with the precision and efficiency of a heist well planned and carried out. Goethe Institut
www.goethe.de/uk

LA NUIT DES ROIS OU TOUT CE QUE VOUS VOULEZ

30 April 7:30pm £12

Surviving a shipwreck, Viola arrives in Illyria where, to protect herself, she disguises herself as a man taking on the name of Cesario. Ostermeier highlights how bewildering the awakening of desire can be and how confusing the question of gender.
Venue: Institut français.
www.institut-francais.org.uk/cine-lumiere

IN CONVERSATION WITH ALISON WILDING & FRANCES RICHARDSON

30 April 6:30pm-8pm £5

Alison Wilding and Frances Richardson will be in conversation, chaired by Iwona Blazwick OBE (Director, Whitechapel Art Gallery). The Royal Society of Sculptors
www.sculptors.org.uk

WHAT ISN'T HERE CAN'T HURT YOU

Til 3 May Free

The work of Alison Wilding and Frances

Richardson creates an exciting dialogue, with unexpected materials and intriguing forms. On the sculpture terrace: Let sleeping dogs....., 2019 by Alison Wilding. The Royal Society of Sculptors. www.sculptors.org.uk

THE SUN: LIVING WITH OUR STAR

Til 6 May 2019 From £15

Spectacular interactive experiences, unique artefacts and stunning imagery shed fresh light on humanity's relationship with our closest star. Featuring breath taking visuals and interactive experiences, visitors can bask in sunlight on an indoor beach. Science Museum
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What does the future look like and what do we all need to do to ensure our High Street survives and thrives?

Lucy Elliott, the Chair of the Business Forum will introduce the event, the Council will share new research data outlining challenges facing our High Streets, and experts will be introduced by the leader of the council, Elizabeth Campbell, to add to the debate. This will be the start of developing a new long-term strategy for Kensington High Street.

We will also share joint plans to revitalise the High Street in the coming months. It will be an informal evening (no dress code) and drinks and canapés will be provided. The opportunity to meet other attendees will be followed by:

- presentations
- Q&A session
- an opportunity to discuss and share ideas

This is an exciting time for Kensington and we very much look forward to seeing you on 10 April. Numbers are limited so if you would like to attend please email towncentres@rbkc.gov.uk

If you are not able to come but would like to share your views on the High Street, please complete a very short questionnaire by visiting www.rbkc.gov.uk/revitalising-ken-high-street

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