

Hire the Library

With an enviable location on St James's Square and a minute's walk from Piccadilly and Pall Mall, the Library's stunning yet modest façade hides a wealth of amazing features - making it one of the most unique venue hire spaces in London.

The London Library is available for evening hire for a range of business and corporate events, including networking, dinners, receptions, awards, weddings, presentations, launches and celebrations.

Spread across seven interlocking buildings, with 17 miles of open access bookshelves and over one million books, the Library has played host to four Poet Laureates and ten Nobel Prize winners amongst many other notable members. Featured in Time Out's 2023 list of 'London's most beautiful Libraries,' the Library offers an event experience like none other.

Alongside the beautiful architecture and rich creative history, the venue is in a perfect location for attracting delegates and clients.



"The capital's best-kept secret." -The Evening Standard

Issue Hall

Reached through the main entrance of the Library directly from St James's Square, the Issue Hall offers a grand arrival point and is the perfect welcome for all guests and clients. This historic space can be used as a registration and cloakroom area for larger standing events in the Reading Room, or a pre-dinner drinks reception area.

100 standing reception





Reading Room

Offering stunning views across St James's Square, plus double-height, book-lined walls and elegant ironwork balustrades, the Reading Room is our main space for events and sits at the historic heart of the Library. The Reading Room provides a flexible and atmospheric space whether you are looking to host a sophisticated dinner, a presentation or a reception. As well as the main space, the balustrades can be used for speeches or small performances and offer guests a great view of the events.

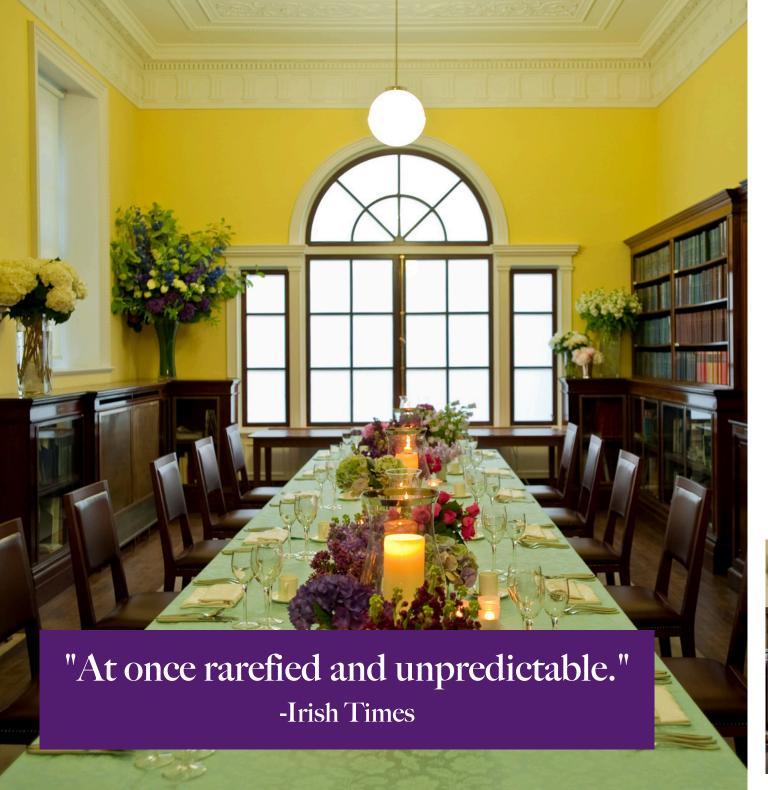
200 standing reception100 seated dinner90 theatre style











The Study

Opposite the Reading Room, the Study is perfect for intimate dining or small drink receptions. Guests can enjoy the faux regency design of the space, complete with an original Robert Adam fireplace. The Study also serves as a field kitchen for larger events hosted in the Library, and gives caterers easy access to the Reading Room and to the lift.

30 standing reception15 seated dinner30 theatre style

available for separate hire on Fridays only



"There is nowhere quite like it." -Financial Times

The Art Room

This recently refurbished space, which houses the Library's extensive art and architecture collection, is a modern and inspiring space for smaller events, and works as a fantastic reception space before an intimate dinner in the Reading Room. It can also serve as a private area for VIP drinks during larger events in the Reading Room.

40 standing reception

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The Stoppard Room

Situated next to the Reading Room, the

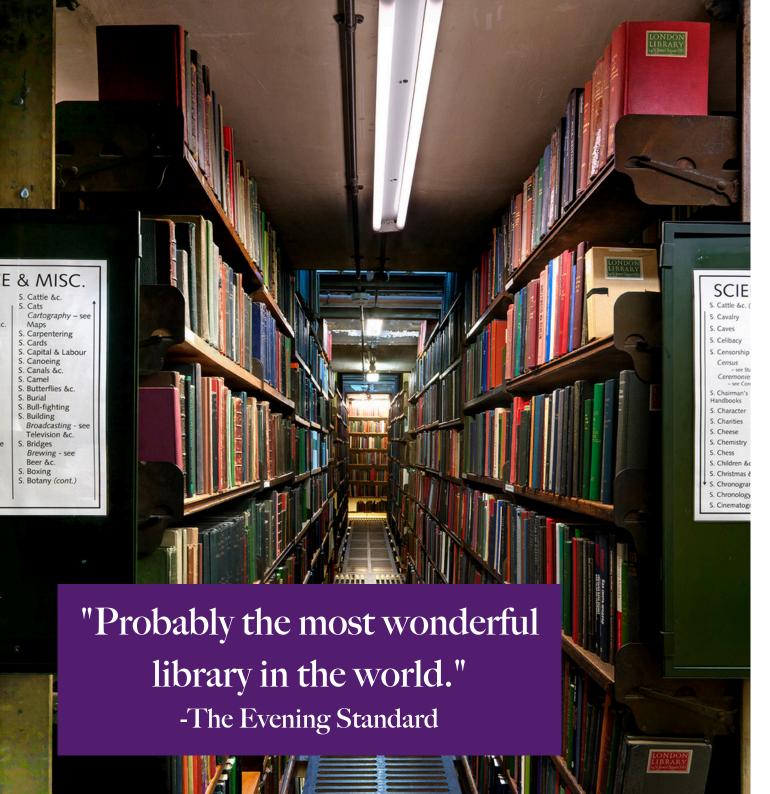
Writers Room is a fantastic space for filming or photoshoots, but can also be used as an event space for smaller presentations.

Complete with a mezzanine level, it has high ceilings and an airy, modern feel, whilst still keeping some of the Library's traditional charm.

30 standing reception25 seated presentation

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Bespoke Tours

Behind the Library's elegant façade overlooking St. James's Square is a vast network of books, where since the midnineteenth century, seven buildings have been brought into one and a great centre of learning and ideas has been created.

This extensive network of bookstacks offers a fascinating insight into the workings of the Library. We're delighted to offer bespoke tours before or after your event to give your guests a truly VIP experience. We can also arrange special displays with books related to your organisation or your guests' interests, which makes for a truly memorable and unique experience.





Hiring the Library

The Library is available to hire as space only or as an all-inclusive package Wednesday to Saturday after 5:30pm, or Sundays all day.

Hire of the Library includes exclusive use of the building, A/V equipment (projector, screen, speakers and microphones), and reception furniture (three poseur tables, bar setup, and up to 90 lecture chairs). Optional extras include displays, lighting and bespoke tours.

With space hire starting from £3,000 plus VAT and tailored packages starting from £5,000 plus VAT, our dedicated events team are happy to work with you to create a memorable and unique evening for you and your guests.

We work with a range of caterers, florists and production companies with the aim of providing clients with some of the best event services London has to offer. Our Approved Suppliers have been selected for their high standards, outstanding client service and proven ability to work safely in the Library's environment.







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Contact & Key Information

The majority of Library event spaces have step free access and are accessible by wheelchair. For those with special access needs we have a dedicated entrance located in Mason's Yard and would be happy to provide more information.

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Address Website

14 St James's Square, St londonlibrary.co.uk

Rail Bus

James's, London, SW1Y 4LG

Charing Cross: 15 minute walk

The nearest bus lines are 3, 9, 12, 13,

Victoria: 25 minute walk

14, 15, 19, 22, 23, 38, 94, 139 & 159.

Tube

Piccadilly Circus (Piccadilly & Bakerloo): 5 minute walk

Green Park (Jubilee, Victoria and Piccadilly lines): 10 minute walk

Parking

Pay and display parking spaces in St James's Square are in operation Monday to Saturday 8.30-18.30. There is free street parking in the Piccadilly area after 18.00 Monday to Friday and all day Sunday.

