

Weddings at the Library

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Truly a place like no other
Helena Bonham Carter

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.

We would be delighted to host you on your special day. The Library can accommodate standing wedding receptions of up to 200 and dinners of up to 100 in our magnificent Reading Room.

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 experience like no other.

Alongside our event packages, we offer couples an exclusive book display and 'Adopt a Book' in your names to commemorate the occasion.

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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. This historic space can be used as a cloakroom area for larger standing events in the Reading Room, or a pre-dinner drinks reception area. After, the Issue Hall can be transformed into a lively dance and music space to celebrate the end of an amazing evening.



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

100 standing

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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 casual reception or a dance party.

As well as the main space, the balustrades can be used for speeches or small performances.

200 standing reception

100 seated dinner

120 standing with dance floor

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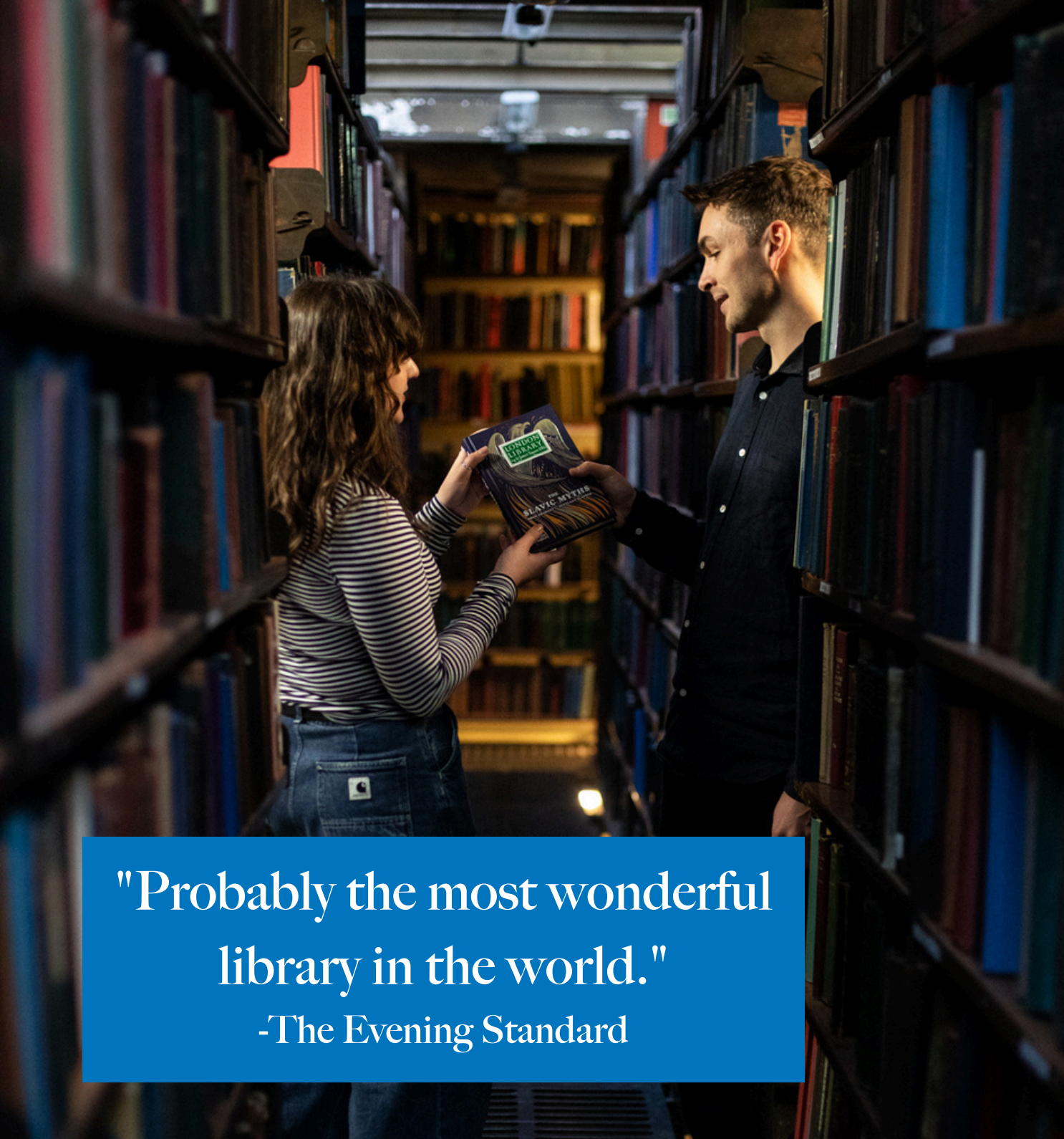
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"An unlikely union of elegance
and unconventionality."

-Montblanc







Engagement Photos

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

From richly furnished rooms with a classic library feel to labyrinthine book stacks, the Library is the perfect backdrop for memorable wedding and engagement photos.

You are welcome to take photos in the Library during your event, or arrange for a shoot on a separate day with an exclusive discount.

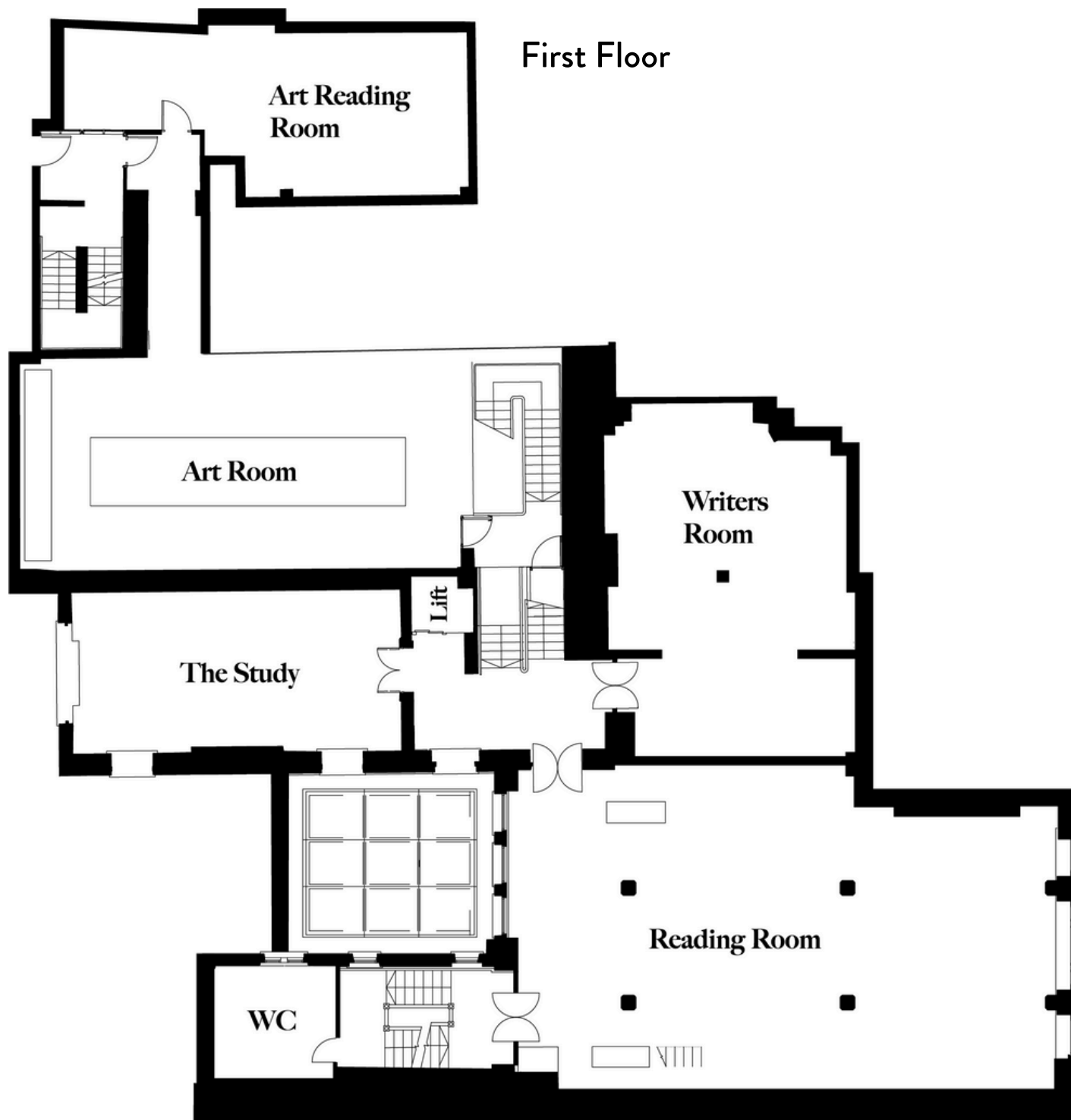
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library in the world."

-The Evening Standard





First Floor

Further Information

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 chairs). Optional extras include displays and bespoke tours.

With space dry hire starting from £3,500 plus VAT or all-inclusive packages starting from £60pp 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.

Please note the Library is not a licensed wedding venue and legal ceremonies must be conducted at a registered office.

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Package Hire

The Library partners with our Approved Suppliers to offer you the perfect one-stop package for all your event needs. Each package is named for a significant writer connected to the Library, from founding member Charles Dickens to acclaimed 20th century author Angela Carter.

All packages include:

- Exclusive hire of the Library
- Bar tables and linens
- Tableware and glassware
- PA system, up to three mics, projector and screen
- Dedicated Event Manager
- Bar, catering and event staff
- Round or banquet tables, chairs and linens (dinner only)
- Three poseur tables and linens
- Adopt a Book for couples

Optional extras:

- Crockery and cutlery for cake cutting
- Cake (if not providing)
- Dressing rooms
- Dedicated wedding planner
- Exclusive engagement or wedding photo locations in the Library
- Wedding video services



Martineau Package

Our standard reception package includes:

Reception 18:30 - 21:00

3 glasses of wine or 3 bottles of beer

Soft drinks

6 canapes

75 guests from £95 plus VAT pp

100 guests from £80 plus VAT pp

150 guests from £65 plus VAT pp

200 guests from £60 plus VAT pp



Carter Package

Our elevated reception package includes:

Reception 18:30 - 21:00

Glass of prosecco on arrival

Plentiful wine, beer & soft drinks

8 canapes or 3 bowl food & 2 canapes

Elevated lighting

Bespoke book display

75 guests from £160 plus VAT pp

100 guests from £140 plus VAT pp

150 guests from £120 plus VAT pp

200 guests from £110 plus VAT pp



Darwin Package

Our standard dining package includes:

Drinks and canape reception 19:00 - 19:45

Seated 3-course dinner 19:45 - 22:30

30 guests from £280 plus VAT pp

50 guests from £205 plus VAT pp

100 guests from £155 plus VAT pp



Dickens Package

Our elevated dining package includes:

Champagne reception 19:00 - 19:45

Seated 3 course dinner 19:45 - 22:30

Elevated table decorations and lighting

Bespoke book display

30 guests from £330 plus VAT pp

50 guests from £270 plus VAT pp

100 guests from £220 plus VAT pp



Caterers

Food Show

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020 7793 1877

Searcys

hello@searcysevents.co.uk
020 7093 1733

Chilli Bees

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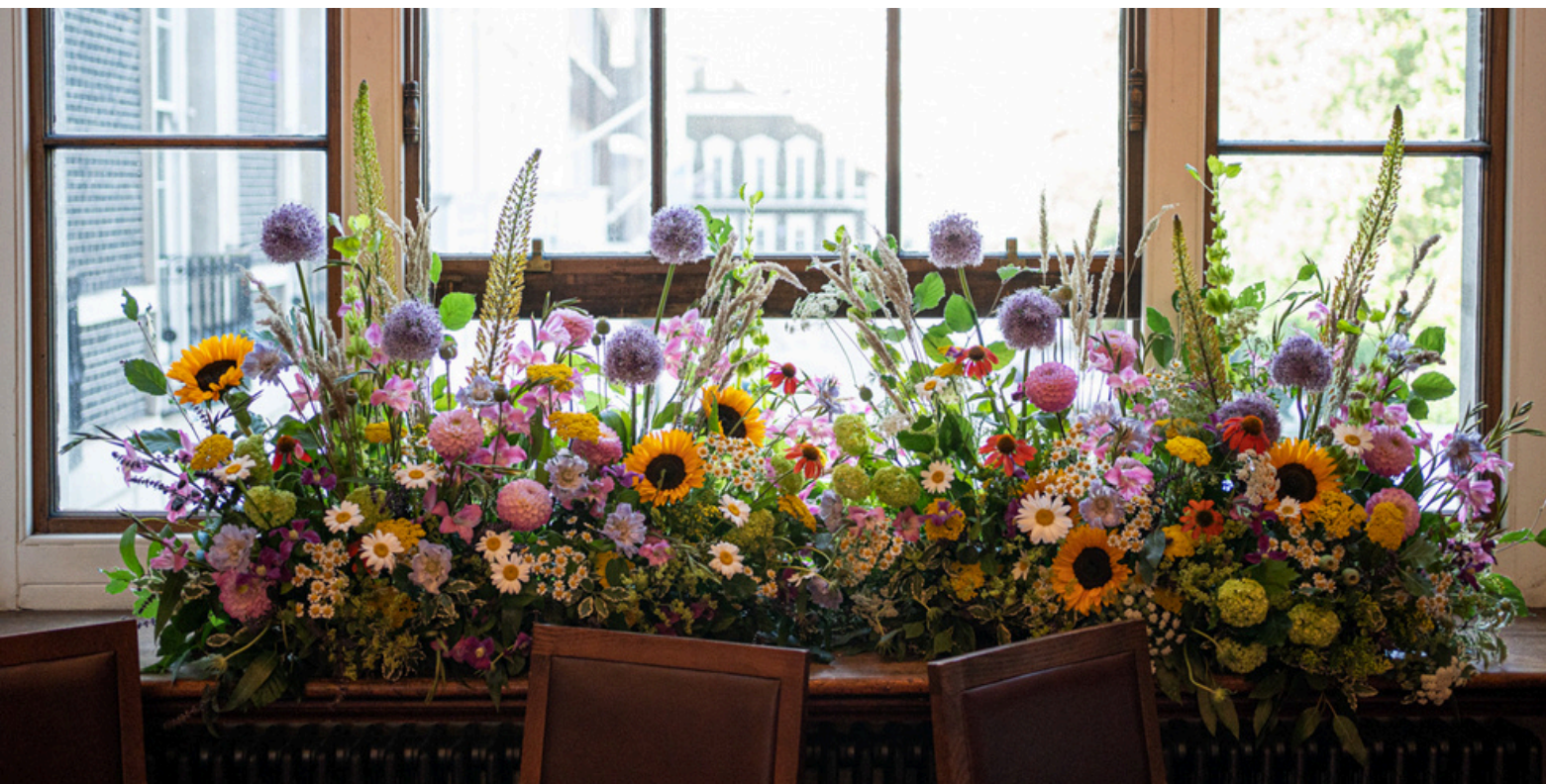
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Contact & Key Information

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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Website

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Rail

Charing Cross: 15 minute walk
Victoria: 25 minute walk

Bus

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

