

NOTICE 177th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE LONDON LIBRARY

Wednesday 7 November 2018, 6.00 pm, in the Reading Room of The London Library

Members are cordially invited to enjoy a glass of wine before the meeting and to meet Trustees and senior staff in the Issue Hall from 5.30 pm

AGENDA

- 1 Approval of the Minutes of the 176th Annual General Meeting held on 8 November 2017.
- 2 The adoption of the 2017-2018 Annual Report and Accounts.
- 3 Appointment of Auditors.
- 4 Election of Trustees.
- 5 Confirmation of the Trustees' proposals for membership fees, subscriptions and charges.

Appointment of Auditors

The Trustees propose the re-appointment of MHA MacIntyre Hudson as the Library's Auditors for the financial year 2018-2019.

Retirement and Election of Trustees

The following Trustees retire at the 2018 Annual General Meeting: Elizabeth Herridge, David Lough and Sara Wheeler. All three are eligible for election to a second (and final) term and are accordingly put forward for re-election. Daisy Goodwin is also put forward for trusteeship this year.

DAISY GOODWIN

Member of the Library since 1990, Daisy Goodwin is a writer, journalist and BAFTA winning TV producer. After ten years at the BBC making arts documentaries, she left to join the independent sector and created a number of programmes including *Grand Designs* and *The Nation's Favourite Poems*. In 2005, she started *Silver River* productions, which she sold to Sony in 2012. Alongside her TV work, Daisy has written a memoir, *Silver River* and two novels *My Last Duchess* and *The Fortune Hunter*, which were both New York Times bestsellers. In 2014, Daisy was commissioned to write her first screenplay, *Victoria*, an 8 part series for ITV and is currently writing series 3. Her charity work has included

chairing the Poetry Book Society and she is currently Chair of the Women Taking Action committee that works to promote Family Partners for Action for Children, the second biggest children's charity in the UK.

ELIZABETH HERRIDGE

Member since 2013 and London Library Trustee 2014 – 2018.

Educated at Wellesley College (BA in French) and graduate of the Getty Leadership Institute's Museum Leadership programme (MLI), with an MA in Connoisseurship and the Art & Auction Market from Christie's Education, New York, and more recently, an MA in Art & Archaeology (Asian Art) from SOAS, University of London. Spent 17 years in the financial sector as an internal auditor and later as a compliance director and supervisory principal specialising in regulatory compliance and internal control issues, ending as a Managing Director in Fixed Income Compliance at Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc, New York. Subsequently moved into museum administration and served as Managing Director of the Guggenheim Hermitage Museum in Las Vegas from 2003 to 2008 before serving as Managing Director of the Las Vegas Springs Preserve, a newly built \$235m Platinum LEED certified cultural and educational attraction. Author of *Bringing Heaven to Earth: Chinese Silver Jewellery and Ornament in the Late Qing Dynasty* (2016).

DAVID LOUGH

Member since 2009 and London Library Trustee 2014–2018.

Educated at Sherborne and New College, Oxford (1st in History and Modern Languages). Pursued career in shipping and financial markets, first in Asia, then in London. Founded LawShare Ltd (1991-2005) and Heartwood Wealth Management (CEO 1988-2008, chairman 2009-2013). Author of *No More Champagne: Churchill and His Money* (2015); *Darling Winston: Forty years of letters between Churchill and his mother* (2018). Trustee, Skyrme Hart Charitable Trust (youth and music). Member, the Founders' Circle.

SARA WHEELER

Member since 1993 and London Library Trustee 2014 – 2018.

Read Classics and Modern Languages at Oxford. Full-time writer of literary non-fiction, including the best-selling *Terra Incognita: Travels in Antarctica* (1996), *Travels in a Thin Country: a Journey through Chile* (1994),

Cherry: *a Life of Apsley Cherry-Gerrard* (2001), *Too Close to the Sun: the Audacious Life of Denys Finch Hatton* (2006), *Evia: Travels on an Undiscovered Greek Island* (2007), *The Magnetic North: Notes from the Arctic Circle* (2009), *Access All Areas: Selected Writings, 1990-2010*, and most recently *O My America!: Second Acts in a New World*. Her *Mud and Stars*, about aspects of Russia, appears in 2019.

Her works have been translated into many languages and she is a regular contributor to broadsheet newspapers in the UK and US and occasionally broadcasts on Radio 4. Fellow and former Council Member of the Royal Society of Literature. Trustee of The London Library, 2005-2009, serving on the Development Committee and Nominations Committee. Was a member of the Chairmanship search committee in 2008-2009.

Proposed membership fees from 1 January 2019

The Trustees propose to increase the ordinary annual fee by £10 from £525 (£43.75 per month) to £535 (£44.58 per month) in 2019. This represents an increase of 1.9%. Proportionate increases will be applied for the other membership categories and life membership fees will be broadly increased by the same percentage as annual fees. The ordinary annual fee for those paying by annual direct debit will remain at £510. The Trustees also propose that the maximum age for Young Persons' membership be increased from 24 to 26.

INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP

		per month
Annual membership	£535	£44.58
<i>Payment by annual direct debit</i>	£510	
Spouse/partner membership <i>for spouses or partners of full annual or life members</i>	£267.50	£22.29
<i>Payment by annual direct debit</i>	£255	
Young persons' membership <i>for all members aged 16-26</i>	£267.50	£22.29
<i>Payment by annual direct debit</i>	£255	
Temporary overseas membership <i>for overseas visitors, 4 months' duration</i>	£267.50	
Extra borrowing allowances		
Additional 5 volumes	£46	

INSTITUTIONAL MEMBERSHIP

Public libraries	£48
Educational/charitable institutions <i>(10 or more staff/members)</i>	£1,070
Additional 5 volumes	£138
Other institutions <i>(10 or more staff/members)</i>	£1,605
Additional 5 volumes	£230
Smaller institutions <i>(Less than 10 staff/members)</i>	£642
Additional 5 volumes	£92

LIFE MEMBERSHIP

Age	Fee (£)	Age	Fee (£)
80 and over	£1,500	45 to 49	£15,800
75 to 79	£4,000	40 to 44	£17,500
70 to 74	£5,800	35 to 39	£19,200
65 to 69	£7,800	30 to 34	£20,900
60 to 64	£10,600	25 to 29	£22,300
55 to 59	£12,300	18 to 24	£23,300
50 to 54	£14,200		