

# St Stephen Walbrook

Newsletter  
Autumn 2017

St Stephen Walbrook, 39 Walbrook, London EC4N 8BN  
ststephenwalbrook.net/ office@ststephenwalbrook.net 020 7626 9000

## INSIDE THIS ISSUE

- 1 plus+ presentations
- 2 Open House London & The House of Sound / Special Services: Autumn 2017
- 3 Conference: Art awakening humanity / Discover & explore: Rome, London & Christianity
- 4 Art exhibitions / The Lord Mayor's St Stephen's Serenades
- 5 plus+ / The Long long lunch
- 6 Summer 2017 events / Preludes & Vollenteries 1
- 7 Walbrook Art Society / New Neighbours: Bloomberg London
- 8 London Internet Church / Using St Stephen Walbrook / Music at St Stephen Walbrook

*“The inaugural plus+ presentation will be given by Douglas Board, founder of Maslow’s Attic. Douglas will share practical, intellectual and spiritual reflections on flourishing at work in a presentation entitled ‘In an open plan office, can anyone hear you scream?’.”*

## plus+ presentations

As part of further developing the relationships St Stephen Walbrook has with the business community in the City of London, we plan to begin a new series of events in the autumn to explore the place of faith in the world of business.

We are already marketing St Stephen Walbrook, and some specific business-related offers, using ‘plus+’ to talk about St Stephen Walbrook adding value to the City. As a result, this new ongoing series of events will be titled ‘plus+ presentations’.

The format for ‘plus+ presentations’ will be:

- 6.15pm: Evening Prayer (optional)
- 6.30pm: plus+ presentation
- 7.00pm: Drinks reception & networking
- 7.30pm: Close

The inaugural plus+ presentation will be given by Douglas Board, founder of Maslow’s Attic, on 21 September (6.30pm). Douglas is a senior visiting fellow at Cass and also writes on management, faith, society and humour, as well as careers. Previously, he was consultant, director and then deputy chairman of Saxton Bampfylde, a top 10 UK search firm. Douglas will share practical, intellectual and spiritual reflections on flourishing at work in a presentation entitled ‘In an open plan office, can anyone hear you scream?’

Going forward, we plan to run the plus+ presentations on the third Thursday of each month, although the remaining 2017 dates will be 19th October; 9th November. On 18 January 2018, our presenter will be Professor Richard Higginson speaking about Christian entrepreneurs living out their faith.



# plus+

St Stephen Walbrook:  
adding value to the City



## Open House London & The House of Sound

St Stephen Walbrook is open on Saturday 16 September for Open House London from 10.00am - 12noon and from 3.00 - 5.00pm. See Wren's own and 'finest City Church'. Fantastic architecture with different shapes, twelve Corinthian columns and covered by huge dome - first of its type. Central stone altar by Henry Moore installed in 1987. Birthplace of the Samaritans.

Celebrate London's architectural wonders as Open House London throws open the doors of hundreds of buildings and spaces around the capital. Enjoy free access to more than 800 churches, museums, public buildings, private houses, schools and offices, and join tours, guided walks and activities throughout the weekend. Explore iconic buildings that are not usually open to the public, learn something new about more familiar spaces, and step into the private homes of the rich and famous.

### Iain Chambers: The House of Sound, 11 - 17 September

Iain Chambers is the composer behind an ambitious new piece exploring the changing sound of the City between 1400 - 2000 called The House Of Sound. The work will be performed in Guildhall Yard over the Open House London weekend of 16/17 September, with an accompanying sonic trail in place from 11-17 September. The idea behind the sonic trail is to reinstate the extinct sounds of specific locations through five Mythophone sculptural speakers, including one at St Stephen Walbrook. Iain's idea is to reflect on the sounds of the past activities of Walbrook and Watling Street, along with the past history of the church itself.

---

*The idea behind the sonic trail is to reinstate the extinct sounds of specific locations through five Mythophone sculptural speakers, including one at St Stephen Walbrook.*

---



## Special Services: Autumn 2017

**Business Harvest Festival: Thursday 12 October, 12.45pm**

At St Stephen Walbrook we have a tradition that companies in the parish designate someone to bring an object to represent their work and to place it on the altar as a symbol at the beginning of our Business Harvest Festival service. You would be most welcome at this special celebration where the preacher will be Fr Luke Miller, Archdeacon of London.

### Service of Thanksgiving for the Lord Mayor of London

Our annual Service of Thanksgiving for the Lord Mayor of London and his work with the City Livery Companies and Ward Clubs will be held at 5.00pm on Monday 6 November. The preacher will be The Lord Mayor's Chaplain, The Revd Canon Roger Royle.

## Conference: Art awakening humanity

A conference organised by St Stephen Walbrook in partnership with Alexander de Cadenet and Watkins Mind Body Spirit Magazine that will explore the relationship between art and the spiritual dimension by taking words spoken by Eckhart Tolle in an interview with Mind Body Spirit Magazine as inspiration: "True art can play an important part in the awakening of humanity."

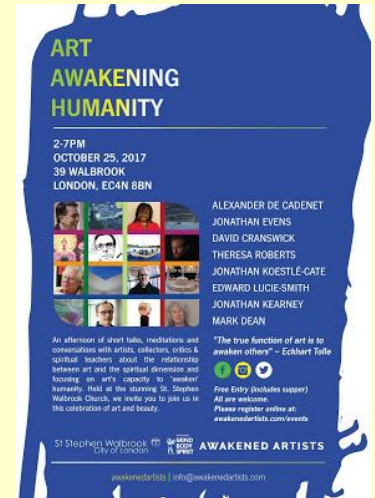
- Jonathan Evens - Modern art & spirituality - a brief survey
- David Cranswick - The role of integrity in traditional craft practices and the ancient cosmology of the pigments, metals and planets
- Edward Lucie-Smith - An agnostic's view of art & spirituality
- Theresa Roberts - 'Jamaican Spiritual': spirituality in Jamaican art
- Jonathan Kearney - Art, theology & the digital: creating new understandings
- Mark Dean - Concerning the esoteric in art
- Jonathan Koestlé-Cate - Art & Church: ecclesiastical encounters with contemporary art
- Alexander de Cadenet - The Origin and the purpose of the Awakened Artists Group

Wednesday 25 October, 2 - 7.30pm. Register for free tickets at <https://ssw.churchsuite.co.uk/events/standzg2>.

## Discover & explore: Rome, London & Christianity

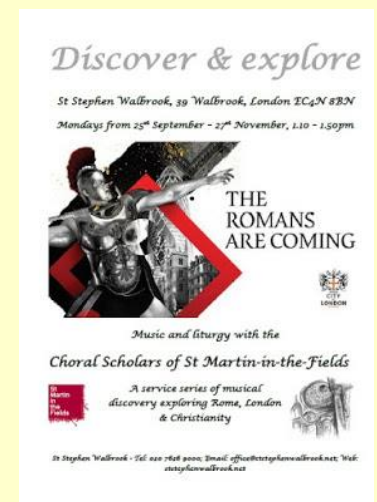
Our Autumn Discover & explore series with the Choral Scholars of St Martin-in-the-Fields will be part of the 'Londinium' programme organised by the City of London and will explore Rome, London & Christianity through music, prayers, readings and reflections. Highlights include 'St Paul in Rome', 'Constantine' and 'The Temple of Mithras & St Stephen Walbrook'. All Discover & explore services begin at 1.10pm:

- 25th September - St Paul in Rome
- 2 October - St Peter in Rome
- 9 October - The Early Church in Rome
- 16 October - St Alban
- 23 October - Constantine
- 30 October - Christianity in Roman London
- 6 November - The Temple of Mithras & St Stephen Walbrook
- 13 November - St Augustine
- 20 November - St Mellitus
- 27 November - St Erkenwald & St Ethelburga



*"True art can play an important part in the awakening of humanity."*

*Eckhart Tolle*



*Discover & explore has been described as "A really wonderful series of services; intelligent, thought provoking and hopeful - the perfect way to start your working week!"*

## Art exhibitions

### commission4mission: *Vision* - 4<sup>th</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup> September

Vision is an exhibition of artworks by members of commission4mission which will be held at St Stephen Walbrook from Monday 4 to Friday 15 September, Weekdays 10.00am - 4.00pm (Weds 11.00am - 3.00pm). A group exhibition by commission4mission, Vision is intended as a broad theme open to wide interpretation, but will explore sight, visions and revelations. 27 artists will showcase their individual engagements with the theme. The exhibition will feature assemblage, ceramics, collage, digital prints, etchings, film, icons, installations, paintings, photography, poetry and sculpture.

A reception to launch the exhibition will be held on Monday 4 September from 6.30pm. During this reception commission4mission Associate member, Wendy McTernan, will give a talk entitled 'Interpretations of the Cross in Contemporary Art & Culture'. In today's secular society, it is perhaps surprising that artists still find themselves drawn to the Christian cross as a means of expression. The cross has never been an event about which one can remain neutral; from the start it was an offence. Contemporary artists' interpretations have taken many forms. Wendy will look at some examples and see how, in unexpected and sometimes shocking ways, Jesus' story becomes part of theirs - and ours. commission4mission's AGM will also be held at 5.00pm.

### Alexander de Cadenet: *Creations* - 3<sup>rd</sup> October - 5<sup>th</sup> November

Launching on Tuesday 3 October, British artist Alexander de Cadenet presents for the first time at St. Stephen Walbrook a series of bronze and silver sculptures featuring 'consumables' that contain deeper spiritual messages. The works include a selection of his 'Life-Burger' hamburger sculptures and Creation - a larger scale shiny bronze apple with three bites taken from it - two adult bites and baby bite in between. Creation explores the mysterious process of creativity - of how both a human being and an artwork come into existence. The artist states, "In Genesis, we were told by God not to take a bite from the apple, yet it was by taking a bite that we became 'self-conscious' and self-consciousness is what is necessary for making art."

## The Lord Mayor's St Stephen's Serenades

Free Music Recitals on the last Friday of the month, 5.30 - 6.15pm. The next Recital will be The Gildas Quartet and Raphaela Papadakis, Soprano, on Friday 29 September. The programme includes Brahms Ophelia Lieder, Schumann 6 Gesänge Op.107 and Mendelssohn "Oder soll es Tod bedeuten", all arranged by Aribert Reimann. We are grateful to the City Music Foundation - for their sponsorship of this concert. The final concert in the series on Friday 27 October will feature the Lord Mayor himself. Note the slightly later time than usual, as this concert begins at 5.45pm.



*““In Genesis, we were told by God not to take a bite from the apple, yet it was by taking a bite that we became ‘self-conscious’ and self-consciousness is what is necessary for making art.”  
Alexander de Cadenet*



## plus+

### St Stephen Walbrook: adding value to the City

St Stephen Walbrook stands witness next to the Lord Mayor's residence and at the heart of the City it was built to serve. For over 1,000 years a place of worship has stood on this site. We are able to draw on our significant history and the wisdom resources of Christianity to offer services which will make a difference to the way you work and the people you employ. We offer the best from our heritage of wisdom and spirituality to impact businesses through cultural understanding, diversity, workplace spirituality, pastoral care and stress management.

#### +Wellbeing

- Pastoral care: Workplace visits providing networking, plus pastoral care for those wishing to speak confidentially.
- Start:Stop: 10 minute work-based reflections which enable employees to start their day by stopping for a moment of quiet thought and reflection.

#### +Values

- Topical seminars/talks: a range of talks, seminars, courses and information on the interface between work and spirituality plus ethics, trust and values.

#### +Cultural Literacy

- Celebrations of diversity: Tailored events/services celebrating development and progress by diversity networks/champions across the Diversity agenda.
- Faith Communities Toolkit and Awareness Training: Faith Regen Foundation's Faith Communities Toolkit (FCT) provides information about the main UK faith communities. Awareness Training covers: use of the FCT; Spirituality at work; Cultural awareness and faith literacy; Religious discrimination legislation.

For more information contact [office@ststephenwalbrook.net](mailto:office@ststephenwalbrook.net) or 020 7626 9000.

## New neighbours: Bloomberg London

This autumn we welcome to the area our new neighbours at Bloomberg London. Designed in collaboration with Foster + Partners, Bloomberg's new European headquarters comprises two nine-storey buildings clad in sandstone, divided by Bloomberg Arcade comprising 10 independent restaurants offering a variety of cuisines and dining styles, seven days a week, and flanked by public squares featuring artworks that pay homage to the river Walbrook. Situated on one of the UK's most significant archaeological sites, the new Bloomberg development will also be home to London Mithraeum Bloomberg SPACE. This anticipated cultural hub will restore the ancient Temple of Mithras to the site of its discovery, showcase a selection of the remarkable Roman artefacts discovered during excavation, and display a series of contemporary art commissions responding to the site's history.



plus+

St Stephen Walbrook:  
adding value to the City



## Summer 2017 events

During the Summer term we organized the following: Art Exhibitions - Terry Ffyffe and *Jamaican Spiritual*; Discover & explore service series exploring Reformation 500 themes; Election Service for the Worshipful Company of Grocers; hosted a HeartEdge seminar on Start:Stop; Transfiguration Evensong with Garden Party; celebrated the Weddings of Claire Mills to Oliver Cierpka and Iven Yuen to May-Yan Man; St Stephen's Serenades monthly; Summer Family-friendly session; and visits by the Friends of Dulwich Picture Gallery, the Jamaican High Commissioner and a group from St Mary's Cathedral Johannesburg.



Private View - Terry Ffyffe



Private View - Jamaican Spiritual



Jamaican High Commissioner



Johannesburg Cathedral group visit

## Preludes & Vollerteries 1 – 14 September, 6.00pm

Peter Sheppard Skærved begins his exploration of the 17th Century violin, inspired by the astonishing churches of the Square Mile. This series of salons will explore the dialogue between the great architecture of Wren, Hawksmoor and Hooke, and the work of the violin makers and composers whose instruments and music flooded in the London in the years after the Restoration. St Stephen Walbrook is the perfect space to hear one of the great early 17th Century Cremonese violins, by Girolamo Amati, in a salon programme focusing on the Northern Italian violin style of the 1600s.

Works for solo violin including: Heinrich Biber - Passacaglia (Mystery Sonata XVI) 'Guardian Angel, companion of Mankind' and others by Tomasso Vitali, Giuseppe Torelli, Nicola Matteis, Biagio Marini. Played on a violin by Girolamo Amati (1628). Plus world premiere: Peter Sheppard Skærved - 'voil qe'm digaz cals mais vos plaz' (Lombarda of Toulouse). Tickets (limited number) available on Eventbrite and on the door, or reservations from ptrshpprdskrvd@aol.com .

## Walbrook Art Society programme

### Advent lectures 2017 by Dharshan Thenuwara:

- Wednesday 29 November - St Luke in art (Bible in art series: Lecture 2).
- Wednesday 6 December - Arthur Liberty Centenary Lecture Part 2: Arts & Crafts and Japanese influence.
- Wednesday 13 December - Richard Dadd Anniversary Lecture.
- Wednesday 20th December - Edgar Degas Centenary Lecture.

All Advent lectures are at St Stephen Walbrook between 1pm and 2pm. Refreshments are available before and after. All are welcome. Cost - £5.00 each. No pre-booking required for these lectures.

### Walbrook Art Society guided tours

- Wednesday 6 September: Victoria & Albert Museum Pre-Raphaelite related art. A guided tour of the Victoria & Albert Museum covering William Morris and the Pre-Raphaelites' art and design, together with inspection of the new V&A wing. Cost - £5.00, entrance is free. Meet at 11.30 am at the reception area in the Cromwell Road entrance.
- Wednesday 4 October: Permanent collection of the Dulwich Picture Gallery - a special Bicentennial tour. A guided tour of the permanent collection and visit to the last days of the temporary exhibition of watercolours of John Singer Sargent. Meet at 12.30pm in or near the restaurant at the Dulwich Picture Gallery. Cost - £5.00, exclusive of museum entrance and temporary exhibition fees. Lockers and toilets available on site.

Pre-booking for both tours is essential with Dharshan Thenuwara. Full itineraries, travel details and museum entry fees can be obtained from Dharshan. Contact: Mr Dharshan Thenuwara, Secretary, Walbrook Art Society, email - darshan.dfge@outlook.com or tel - 0208 3044140.

## The Long long lunch for the Lord Mayor's Giving Day

Join four of the City's best restaurants (The Don, 1 Lombard Street, Coq D' Argent & Hispania) on Tuesday 26 September for lunch. The day begins in St Stephen Walbrook at 12.15pm with a glass of Champagne, tapas from Hispania followed by a long lunch down St Swithins Lane. This lunch will be 3 courses with the starter provided by 1 Lombard Street, main course by The Don and dessert by Coq D'Argent. Tickets cost £59 per person with a minimum of £15 of the ticket price going to The Lord Mayor's Fund. To book email: reservations@thedonrestaurant.co.uk or call 020 76262606.

*Walbrook Art Society lectures on: St Luke in art; Arthur Liberty, Richard Dadd and Edgar Degas. Guided tours to V&A and Dulwich Picture Gallery*



*Join four of the City's best restaurants (The Don, 1 Lombard Street, Coq D' Argent & Hispania) on Tuesday 26 September for lunch. The day begins in St Stephen Walbrook at 12.15pm with a glass of Champagne, tapas from Hispania followed by a long lunch down St Swithins Lane.*

## London Internet Church

The London Internet Church (LIC) is a gathered global community which meets online to worship, enquire, encourage and pray at [londoninternetchurch.org.uk/](http://londoninternetchurch.org.uk/).

Through LIC you can join with the more than 25,000 people who, since 2006, have placed prayers on the prayer board or lit a candle on the webpage. Your prayer is prayed by the LIC community and once a week a candle is lit in the church of St Stephen Walbrook. LIC is now run by a group of volunteers from St Stephen Walbrook and St Martin-in-the-Fields, who are working with Revd Jonathan Evens to further develop the LIC's mission and ministry.



## Using St Stephen Walbrook

We welcome enquiries about weddings, baptisms and memorial services from those working in the area and, with its breath-taking interior, St Stephen Walbrook is used by many businesses and institutions for Carol Services and other social functions throughout the year. We are in the heart of the City, conveniently next to Bank Station and two minutes from Cannon Street.

We would be delighted to give you more information and show you around. If you would like to explore how your business or organisation might use the building, please do get in touch.

## Music at St Stephen Walbrook

### Tuesday music recitals

Music recitals are organised by the Walbrook Music Trust each Tuesday at 1.00pm. These are concerts which provide a platform for musicians and singers to hone their performance skills. The Walbrook Music Trust was established as a registered charity in October 2007. Its founders had a vision to further the appreciation of music in the City of London using St Stephen Walbrook as the primary venue. See @Walbrookmus and [www.facebook.com/walbrookmus?fref=ts](http://www.facebook.com/walbrookmus?fref=ts) for news of these free chamber music recitals.

### Thursday Choral Eucharist

Our Choral Eucharist includes a mass setting, introit, and a motet (as well as a congregational hymn) sung by St Stephen's Voices every Thursday at 12.45pm. These services are followed by a light lunch.

### Friday Organ Recitals

Our Friday Organ Recitals at 12.30pm are given by visiting organists with a varied programme of works often taking into account the season of the church. Recitals are free and you are welcome to bring your lunch.

### St Stephen Walbrook

39 Walbrook  
London EC4N 8BN

**Phone:**  
020 7626 9000

**Email:**  
[office@ststephenwalbrook.net](mailto:office@ststephenwalbrook.net)

**Web:**  
<http://ststephenwalbrook.net>

