

# The Festival of London with the Royal Society of Medicine 'Theatrical London' Tour 20 – 23 August 2021



Let the show commence!

After a year of absence, the show must go on! Join us in welcoming the theatre back to London with sneak peaks behind the scenes. Peer into the V&A's fabulous collection of costumes from the mid-18th century until today, including the War Horse puppet and Kylie Minogue's dressing room. Take a theatre walk with an experienced working actor, visit the Noel Coward exhibition at Guild Hall and see one of London's earliest

performance venues – the Roman amphitheatre in the basement - and visit Pollock's Toy Museum, the last of the Victorian toy theatre publishers, which still makes and sells theatres. Enjoy dinner and a show with *Hairspray the Musical* at English National Opera and pay your respects to the Bard as you go behind the scenes at the Globe on an exclusive tour, before a matinee performance of *Romeo and Juliet*.

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## Day 1: London (Fri, 20 Aug) **D**

### Dressing for the Occasion

**Pm:** Start the tour at the Theatre, Performance and Costume Rooms at the Victoria and Albert Museum. View its detailed collection dating from the mid-18th century to today. From complete outfits to individual headdresses, they are a tribute to the creativity and skills of designers and costume makers working in every kind of performance: drama, opera, dance, musicals, pantomime, rock and pop, music hall, film, cabaret and circus. The collection includes an original 1st folio edition of Shakespeare's plays, a horse puppet from War Horse and an exact recreation of Kylie Minogue's tour dressing room, plus a special exhibition celebrating 100 years of the Royal Academy of Dance.

**Eve:** Cocktail and welcome dinner at the Royal Society of Medicine.

## Day 2: London (Sat, 21 Aug) **B** **D**

### The Theatre of the Streets

**Am:** Participate in a West End Theatre walk with Tim Barron, a professional actor and musician working in and around London for many years.

Visit Pollock's Toy Museum, the last of the Victorian toy theatre publishers, which still makes and sells theatres.

**Pm:** Visit the Noel Coward exhibition at Guildhall and see the Roman amphitheatre.

**Eve:** Enjoy a pre-theatre dinner before ending the night with *Hairspray the Musical* at English National Opera.

## Day 3: London (Sun, 22 Aug) **B**

### All the World's a Stage

**Am:** Although William Shakespeare may have been a native of Warwickshire, it was London that made Shakespeare's name. London was the city in which he spent the greatest part of his life and it was London that provided the location, audiences and often the inspiration for his plays. Discover Shakespeare's London on a walking tour with Janice Liverseidge. Go behind the scenes of the Globe on an exclusive tour.

**Pm:** See a matinee performance at the Globe of *Romeo and Juliet*.

**Eve:** Optional dinner.

## Day 4: London (Mon, 23 Aug) **B**

**Am:** Depart the hotel.

Covent Garden, the heart of theatreland and location of St Paul's, 'the Actors' Church'





A theatrical mask (top); Pollock's Toy Museum (above left); Mousetrap (above right)

## Tour Leader

**Janice Liverseidge** was previously a Director at The Royal Society of Medicine and is now a full-time guide and in her spare time a trustee of both the Royal Medical Benevolent Fund, the London Handel Festival and la Nuova Musica. She is also a registered Blue Badge tourist guide and regularly leads groups in London on medical history walks, tours of the Wellcome Collection and other healthcare locations plus provides music and art tours for specialist art groups and U3As. Janice has the Visit Britain "Good to Go" Industry standard demonstrating that she has shown her compliance with government and industry COVID-19 guidelines and has a Risk Assessment in place.





The Royal Society of Medicine

## RSM Festival of London

To coincide with the 170th anniversary of *The Great Exhibition* and the 70th anniversary of *The Festival of Great Britain*, join Jon Baines Tours and the Royal Society of Medicine for seven different themed long weekends in 2021. **Only 20 places available on each.**

### The weekends are:

- Shopping London** (23 – 26 July)
- Gourmet London** (5 – 8 August)
- Theatrical London** (20 – 23 August)
- Green London** (27 – 30 August)
- Musical London** (3 – 6 September)
- Artistic London** (10 – 13 September)
- Secret London** (24 – 27 September)

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## Hotel

**Domus Medica** is located on the first floor of the RSM on the corner of Wimpole Street and Wigmore Street in Marylebone. This stylish and comfortable hotel has 47 en suite and climate-controlled bedrooms. They feature ample desk space, a flat-screen TV with Freeview, tea and coffee making facilities, bottled water, a room safe, complimentary Wi-Fi and Noble Isle toiletries. Guests can enjoy continental breakfast included in their stay and are welcome to dine and relax in the restaurant and lounge bar.

**The cost of the tour for RSM members is £740 pp sharing.**

**The cost for non RSM members is £790 pp sharing.**

### The cost includes:

- Three nights' accommodation in double or twin-bedded rooms in Domus Medica

**The single room supplement is £144.**

**The cost of the tour without accommodation for RSM members is £543.**

**The cost of the tour without accommodation for non RSM members is £593.**

- Tour leader (Janice Liverseidge)
- Breakfast daily
- Dinners at the Royal Society of Medicine and Browns
- A full programme of visits, walks and talks
- Specially arranged visits and specialist guides/speakers
- Admission fees and theatre tickets throughout
- VAT

### The cost excludes:

- Travel (public transport and / or taxis at customers expense)
- All personal extras such as laundry and drinks and meals not mentioned
- All optional excursions, tours and visits