

Media Announcement  
August 2017

# LAPADA

ART & ANTIQUES FAIR  
BERKELEY SQUARE

LAPADA Art & Antiques Fair partners with McQueens



LAPADA the Association of Art & Antiques Dealers is pleased to announce internationally acclaimed florist, McQueens, as its new Floral Partner for the 2017 edition of the LAPADA Art & Antiques Fair taking place in Berkeley Square, Mayfair, from the 15<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> September.

Independently founded in 1991 in east London, McQueens has grown to become London's premier florist. With world-renowned clients including Christian Louboutin, Moët-Hennessy, Harrods, Clarins and Bloomberg, McQueens has built a reputation for floral displays of unmatched elegance and beauty. In addition, McQueens' floral arrangements often grace the foyers of top luxury hotels and high-profile events such as Vanity Fair's Oscar Party, London Fashion Week and the Vanity Fair Cannes Film Festival party. Operating from its flagship store in Bethnal Green and a boutique outlet in London's Claridge's Hotel, the McQueens brand is known internationally for its innovative flower installations.

This September at the LAPADA Fair, McQueens will be dressing the Berkeley Square venue both inside and out to mark the firm's first collaboration with an art and antiques fair.

Speaking of the partnership, Kally Ellis, founder of McQueens says: "We are delighted to be working with LAPADA on our first art fair collaboration. The Fair team shares in our desire to present beautiful things in unexpected new ways, so this is a project we are particularly looking forward to."

Fair Director Mieka Sywak said: "Floral motifs have been exceptionally important throughout the history of art and antiques, so it is wonderful that a leading florist is partnering with the LAPADA Fair, a truly international showcase of the world's best art and antiques. McQueens' approach to floral innovation is something that really appealed to us as we continue to strive to deliver the best show for our exhibitors and visitors."

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The annual LAPADA Art & Antiques Fair, sponsored by award-winning investment house Killik & Co, returns to Berkeley Square, London, for its 2017 edition from Friday 15<sup>th</sup> to Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> September – this year bridging two weeks – and will showcase a fascinating array of one-of-a-kind works of art, antiques, design, jewellery and decorative art.

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### Notes to Editors

Event: LAPADA Art & Antiques Fair 2017  
Dates: Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September – Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2017  
Location: Berkeley Square, Mayfair, W1J 6EB  
Website: [lapadalondon.com](http://lapadalondon.com)  
Telephone: +44 (0) 20 7823 3511  
Opening Hours: Collectors' Preview: Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2017: 3pm – 8.30pm\*  
Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2017: 11am – 8pm  
Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> September 2017: 11am – 7pm  
Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> September 2017: 11am – 7pm  
Monday 18<sup>th</sup> September 2017: 11am – 8pm  
Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> September 2017: 11am – 8pm  
Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2017: 11am – 7pm  
Admission: Entrance by ticket priced at £20 each or by invitation  
By invitation or £65 each for Collectors' Preview tickets  
Underground: Green Park - Jubilee, Victoria & Piccadilly lines  
Bond Street - Central & Jubilee lines  
Major bus routes: via Piccadilly, Regent Street and Oxford Street



LAPADA the Association of Art & Antiques Dealers is the largest society of professional art and antiques dealers in the UK. It is a trusted resource for private collectors and the art and antiques trade in the UK and 16 other countries around the world. Established in 1974 it boasts over 500 worldwide members, who are experts in their fields, with specialities ranging from fine art, jewellery and furniture to contemporary works, sculpture and ceramics. Due to the Association's strict Code of Practice, clients are offered total reassurance when purchasing from a LAPADA member. LAPADA offers a referral service for any member of the public looking for a trusted dealer in a specific area, who is seeking quality and assurance of authenticity. It also offers industry advice and lobbies on issues affecting its members and good practice in the art and antiques trade. In 2015, LAPADA launched its newly developed website, which is the leading online marketplace for sourcing authentic art and antiques from trusted LAPADA-accredited dealers. [lapada.org](http://lapada.org)

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Open: Tuesday–Sunday & Bank Holiday Mondays, 10am–5pm

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Closed: Mondays  
Website: [ashmolean.org](http://ashmolean.org)  
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Address: The Ashmolean Museum, Beaumont Street, Oxford OX1 2PH

## Talks & Tours partner

The Arts Society (previously the National Association of Decorative and Fine Arts Societies, or NADFAS) brings people together through a shared curiosity



for the arts. Offering a range of events providing local, national and global places to hear expert lecturers share their specialist knowledge about the arts, it has a 90,000 strong membership. Contributing to and preserving our artistic heritage through volunteering and grants, its members share the belief that the arts have the potential to enrich peoples' lives – an ethos that is at the heart of everything the society does. [theartsociety.org](http://theartsociety.org)

## English Sparkling Wine partner

GUSBOURNE

Founded in 2004, Gusbourne is an award-winning English Sparkling Wine producer based in Appledore in Kent. Its dedicated wine-making team combine traditional techniques with the latest technology to produce the finest sparkling wines. Its wines are sold through leading stockists such as Berry Bros & Rudd, Selfridges and Fortnum & Mason and feature in many of the UK's most renowned establishments, including Le Manoir Aux Quat' Saisons, The Fat Duck and Le Gavroche. Gusbourne exports to locations across the world including the USA, UAE, Belgium, France, Switzerland, Austria and Denmark. [gusbourne.com](http://gusbourne.com)

## Dining and Events

BERKELEY  
SQUARE  
GIN

Berkeley Square London Dry Gin, named after Mayfair's famous square, is considered to be the one of the world's most luxurious gins. The Master Distiller uses over 250 years of heritage and expertise at Britain's oldest gin distillers, to hand-craft the gin in small batches in a copper pot still. During the slow distillation, a unique combination of lavender, sage and basil is wrapped in a

'bouquet garni' and added to the purest of water. The result is a gin of exceptional quality, smooth enough to sip neat and reputed to make the world's best martini. [berkeleysquaregin.com](http://berkeleysquaregin.com)

NEWBY  
LONDON

For thousands of years, tea enjoyed a glorious status in the lives of those fortunate enough to enjoy it. But, with the increasing industrialisation of the tea trade throughout the 20<sup>th</sup> century, its status was diminished as big brands compromised on quality for commercial gain. As the new millennium approached, Newby was founded with a mission to source, blend, preserve and serve the world's finest teas, and revive the rich culture associated with tea's golden era.

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The best leaves from prime harvest seasons are selected, and Newby's committed tea tasters create exquisite blends by trying thousands of cups. The quality of its blends is preserved in a state-of-the-art centre at the heart of the world's finest tea-growing regions. Each tea is then sealed in multi-layered sachets to preserve its freshness and character.

This dedication to quality has led to Newby Teas winning more than 100 awards, and establishing a network of offices across the globe. Its teas are served in five star hotels, cultural institutions and Michelin-starred restaurants, and sold in

high-profile retailers such as Harrods. Newby's Silken Pyramids range can be found in Waitrose and online at [newbyteas.co.uk](http://newbyteas.co.uk)

## Fair Design

Founded in 2001, Micha Weidmann Studio is an art direction and design studio based in London. It has built a reputation for producing engaging, iconic and memorable campaigns for its clients that deliver core messages in the most engaging and timeless form. With the wealth of experience brought by Swiss founder, Micha Weidmann, the studio has an in-depth understanding of the visual cues that make high-end brands aspirational, while also being able to provide design solutions in order to retain the integrity of the philosophy behind the brands. Its clients are found in the property, design and arts industries, including high-end luxury brands: Christie's, Clarges Mayfair, RA Magazine, Dom Perignon, Fornasetti, Tate Modern and Zaha Hadid Architects. [michaweidmannstudio.com](http://michaweidmannstudio.com)



## Floral partner

When Kally Ellis set up McQueens in 1991, she had one aim in mind. "I wanted to sell simple, stylish flowers, beautifully presented, to the London market. And I knew people would love it."



Kally drew on her business experience working in the marketing team of a large international French merchant bank. With a strong sense of colour and design, and a genuine passion for flowers, it has proved to be a winning combination, establishing McQueens as the premier name in the UK flower market – and beyond.

"It never fails to surprise me when I receive calls about our flowers from Hollywood and Japan," says Kally. "It's amazing to think that from a small shop in Clerkenwell, we've built a reputation for quality and innovation that's known the world over. Yes, I'm very proud of what we've achieved."

McQueens and McQueens Flower School is located in Bethnal Green, London. Their boutique store is located in Claridge's Hotel. [mcqueens.co.uk](http://mcqueens.co.uk)

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