



INNERVIEW

Newsletter of The Inner Temple

Hilary 2021



From the Treasurer



I am due to give a lecture in a couple of weeks' time. It will take place in an empty auditorium in the Royal Society of Medicine, so I will be standing at a podium with a dark hall in front of me, speaking to a video camera. Seeking to simulate real life, the organisers will introduce sounds of crowd appreciation (they have a laughometer that produces titters or hilarious laughter, depending upon how I perform). It has taken them days of work to set all this up, following a cancellation of the original event in March, and various lockdown postponements since.

What a good metaphor for what the Inner Temple has been doing since my last Innerview article. Although many of the Inn's members, students and staff may have been confined to their quarters for the last eight or nine months, the Inn's staff have been ensuring that everything carries on regardless, so that when life returns to normal (as finally seems in prospect), we will not have missed a beat. Let me mention a few examples that show just what has been going on.

Given that one of the two central purposes of the Inn is the education of barristers, it is appropriate to start with E&T. In pre-COVID times, this was all carried out either in the Inn or at residential weekends in nice places, with members of the Inn giving their free time to pass on the benefits of their experience to tutor students and barristers in advocacy and ethics. This involved much small group and one-to-one contact, mixed with external expertise from members of other professions, again giving their time freely. The organisation of all this by the E&T staff was a wonder to behold. None of this could take place under the regulations that were introduced to reduce the impact of the coronavirus. Undeterred, the E&T staff and the many members of the Inn involved in advocacy training moved their offering entirely online. Seamlessly. Brilliantly. None of us, it is fair to say, is a particular fan of remote hearings, although they bring considerable benefits to those for whom the travel to the Inn or elsewhere was an off-putting burden. But as the feedback on our qualifying sessions has

shown (ranging from Good to Excellent), our attendees are very grateful for what has been provided. So, very well done to all.

The other central purpose of the Inn – the provision of accommodation – has again been a triumph of continuity administration. Three things deserve special mention. First, at a time when the Inn has been engaged in its largest redevelopment for seventy years – Project Pegasus, the scheme to provide an E&T centre in and on the Treasury building and Hall – the Estates Department has worked together with the developers to ensure that the lockdown restrictions would cause minimal disruption. The Project is expected to complete this July, in time for the Inn to play its part in the Bar course starting in September. Our members and students will be gratified to find a brand new fit-for-purpose 120 seat auditorium, eight training rooms, circulation space and E&T offices, all linked by lifts and stairs to the refurbished library, back in the heart of our Inn. Secondly, the Estate staff have been keeping an eye on unoccupied buildings, ensuring that maintenance does not suffer. And thirdly, the Inn set up an emergency rent committee to assist those of its tenants in financial difficulty, deferring or waiving altogether the rent due during the crisis. That comes on top of a hardship fund for those who do not qualify for the Government self-employed scheme.

All over the Inn – in the Treasury Office, the Garden, the Porters' Office and elsewhere - the staff (and above all their leader, the Sub-Treasurer) have been responsive, diligent and resilient during this crisis. It has been a pleasure and a privilege to work with them as Treasurer in 2020. I am delighted to have the opportunity to stay on as Treasurer this year to preside over our successful emergence, with colours flying, from this damaging crisis, as recompense for presiding over its descent into it. Here is to the sunlit uplands of 2021. I wish you all a happy, safe and joyful New Year.

Guy Fetherstonhaugh QC

Who's Who 2021

TREASURER

Guy Fetherstonhaugh QC

READER

Her Honour Judge Deborah Taylor

READER ELECT

Sir Robert Francis QC

Announcements

For our full list of judicial appointments, go to innertemple.org.uk/judicial

Master Emma Arbuthnot (Senior District Judge Arbuthnot) has been appointed as a High Court Judge, with effect from 1 February 2021.

Master Joanna Korner (Her Honour Judge Korner CMG QC) has been elected to serve as a judge of the International Criminal Court, 2021 – 2030.

Master Philip Moser (Philip Moser QC), joint Head of Monckton Chambers, was elected Chairman of the Bar European Group (BEG) at the Annual General Meeting of the association held online on 15 July 2020.

The BEG is a Specialist Bar Association of the Bar of England and Wales.

In addition to having a seat on the Bar Council, it acts as a forum for practitioners, judges and academics to attend meetings, talks and conferences for those whose area of practice or interest is European law and issues concerning the European Union, Brexit and future EU-UK relations.

His Honour Judge Thomas Teague QC has been appointed as Chief Coroner of England and Wales, in succession to Master Mark Lucraft (His Honour Judge Mark Lucraft).

Catherine Tuitt has received an MBE for services to the community of London in the new Year's Honours list.

The Rt Hon Sir Geoffrey Vos has been appointed Master of the Rolls. He officially took over from Sir Terence Etherton on 11 January 2021.

Master David Wolfson (David Wolfson QC) has been appointed as Under Secretary of State at the Ministry of Justice.

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INNERVIEW

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New Benchers

We are delighted to announce that the following members were elected as Benchers of the Inner Temple:

ACADEMIC BENCHERS

Dr Shazia Choudhry, Associate Academic Fellow of Inner Temple (2014-2017) and Professor of Law, Queen Mary, University of London

Professor Rachael Field, Professor of Law, Bond University Australia

Professor Dimitrios Giannouloupoulos, Associate Academic Fellow of Inner Temple (2014-2017) and Professor of Law, Goldsmiths, University of London

Her Honour Judge Hampel SC, Adjunct Professor of Law, Monash University Australia

HONORARY BENCHERS

Baroness Valerie Amos CH, PC, Labour Life Peer and Master of University College, Oxford University

The Reverend Mark Hatcher, Reader of the Temple and Bencher of Middle Temple (called 1978)

Elizabeth Howe OBE, President of the International Legal Assistance Consortium Board of Directors and Higher Court Advocate

Thomas Leighton, Trustee of the American Inns of Court Foundation and Vice President for Government Relations and Content Acquisition, Thomson Reuters

Her Honour Judge Anne Molyneux, Senior Circuit Judge at the Central Criminal Court and former solicitor

Bar Liaison Committee Elections

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THOSE ELECTED IN THE BLC ELECTIONS IN NOVEMBER

Mavis Amonoo-Acquah
Simon Atkinson
James Batten
John Clifford
Katherine Duncan
Harriet Holmes
Nasstassia Hylton
Simon Murray (Chair)
Helen Pugh

Kristiina Reed
Simon Regis
Liam Ryan
Dominique Smith
Spencer Turner
Lily Walker-Parr
Sarah Williams
(Vice-Chair)
Brett Wilson

CO-OPTED MEMBERS

Aarif Abraham
Sara Anzani
Kevin Athow
Baldip Sing Aulak
Saoirse Cowley
Michael D'Arcy

Darren Dunn
Dr Richard Fowler
Sarah Martin
Rehana Popal
Rahul Varma
Thea Wilson

For the full list with ex-officio members and Circuit representatives go to innertemple.org.uk/who-we-are/how-we-operate/committees/blc/members/



New Silks

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THE INNER TEMPLE NEW SILKS

Simon Baker
Sharon Beattie
Andrew Bird
Jamie Burton
Christopher Buttler
Sophie Cartwright
Allan Compton
Carol Davis
Clare Dixon
William Emlyn Jones
Mathew Gullick
Craig Hassall
Lucy Hendry
Richard Honey
Kathryn Hughes

Louise Hutton
Alexander Leach
Sara Lewis
Anya Lewis
Giles Maynard-Connor
Deepak Nagpal (Ad Eundem)
Claire Packman
Tom Poole
Myriam Stacey
Sally Stone
Catherine Taskis
Simon Taylor
David Temkin
Raymond Tully
Crispin Winsler



Hardship Relief Funds

Marshall Hall Trust innertemple.org.uk/mht

Administered through the Marshall Hall Trust, The Inner Temple has provided a hardship relief fund specifically to assist members:

- Who are currently in pupillage; or
- Whose pupillage has been terminated (or is imminently threatened) on account of the COVID-19 crisis; or
- Who are first year tenants in their chambers, but who are unable to participate in the Government's scheme to assist the self-employed.

So far, grants or loans have been awarded to over 60 pupils and first year tenants whose income has been wiped out by the impact of COVID-19. From the relief and gratitude expressed by the applicants it is clear how much the awards are appreciated.

"This is fantastic news, a huge weight off my mind. It will make a huge difference – not least to the quality of my sleep at night!"

"I am beyond grateful to the panel and the Inn/MH Trust more generally for this grant. It has been a very stressful period, and this will help considerably moving forward."

"I am overwhelmed by the support of Inner Temple and the Marshall Hall Trust, so many thanks to the panel."

"Thank you and Inner Temple so much for this. It really will take the stress away for a few months. Thank you also for arranging this so quickly."

Contact Paul Clark:
innertemple.org.uk/mht

Barristers' Benevolent Association the-bba.com/covid19-appeal-applications

The Barristers' Benevolent Association exists to support, help and comfort members of the Bar in England and Wales and their families and dependants who are in need, in distress or in difficulties.

COVID-19 Rent Committee

Chaired by the Reader (Her Honour Judge Deborah Taylor), the COVID-19 Rent Committee has been set up to consider applications for rent waivers and interest free rent deferrals from Chambers and residents. Applications are being considered on a case by case basis and are being sent to the Collector.

Contact David Bartlett
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Reader's Lecture Nights



MONDAY 15 FEBRUARY

Professor Leslie Thomas QC

Barrister at Garden Court
Chambers, Gresham College
Professor of Law and
Master of the Bench

What Does It Mean to Be
Anti-Racist in a Profession
Full of Privileged People?



MONDAY 8 MARCH

Dr Carmen Draghici

Assistant Dean, City Law
School and Inner Temple
Academic Fellow

Absolute Ban on Assisted
Dying and Lessons
from Canada

TO BOOK

innertemple.org.uk/events

COST

Free but booking is essential

ENQUIRIES

members@innertemple.org.uk
020 7797 8250

WHERE

Zoom Webinar

WHEN

Lecture: 6pm – 7.30pm

Equivalent to 1hr CPD
1 Qualifying Session

Social Context of the Law

TUESDAY 2 FEBRUARY 2021

Prison Reform

The Rev'd Jonathan Aitkin
Conservative MP [1974–97],
former cabinet minister and author

Chris Daw QC
Barrister at Lincoln House Chambers
and author

Moderator:
Libby Purves OBE
British radio presenter, journalist,
author and Master of the Bench

TO BOOK

innertemple.org.uk/socialcontext

COST

Free but booking is essential

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WHERE

Zoom Webinar

WHEN

Lecture: 5.30pm - 7pm

Equivalent to 1hr CPD
1 Qualifying Session

Selden Society Lecture

The Fire Courts – Successfully Delivering Justice in a time of Plague and Fire
21 October



The Selden Society with the Inns of Court

Thank you to Professor Jay Tidmarsh for his hugely popular and fascinating discussion with Master Donald Cryan. The lecture is available to watch at innertemple.org.uk/firecourts

Social Context of the Law

The Inner Temple and the Rule of Law:
The Life of Helmuth von Moltke
23 November



Our thanks to Master Patrick O'Connor for his insightful and moving talk on the life of Helmuth von Moltke, and also to Master Konrad Schiemann and Helmuth Caspar von Moltke for their participation in the event. The talk is available to watch at innertemple.org.uk/von-moltke

Recent Events

Race and the Legal Profession

Where Are We Today and
When Did the Journey Begin?
2 December

Our thanks to Session 1 panelists Masters Sibghatullah Kadri (chair), Leslie Thomas, Bibi Badejo and Iyiola Solanke for sharing their experiences of the Bar, as well as Dr Judith Bourne for her excellent moderation.



Master Sibghatullah Kadri
Master Leslie Thomas
Master Bibi Badejo
Master Iyiola Solanke
Dr Judith Bourne

Thank you also to Session 2 panelists Dr Judith Bourne, Caroline Derry, Alex May, Eduardo Reys, Carrie de Silva, Dominic Carrington and especially Avis Whyte who chaired the event.



Avis Whyte
Caroline Derry
Alex May
Eduardo Reyes
Carrie De Silva
Dominic Carrington

Recovering Lost Lives from the Archives

The Inner Temple is organising the launch of a new online exhibition which will celebrate and rediscover the lives of the first BAME members at the Bar. The stories of these many and varied pioneers are extraordinary and inspiring. They were people who travelled thousands of miles to England to join an Inn of Court and become a barrister, in order to return to their own countries equipped with legal and advocacy skills that enabled them to provide an extraordinary service to their societies, in many cases helping to establish justice and freedoms which had not existed previously. It is hoped that through relaying these stories we will inspire others to follow in their footsteps, to challenge racial stereotypes and, in the process, create a more diverse and inclusive legal profession.

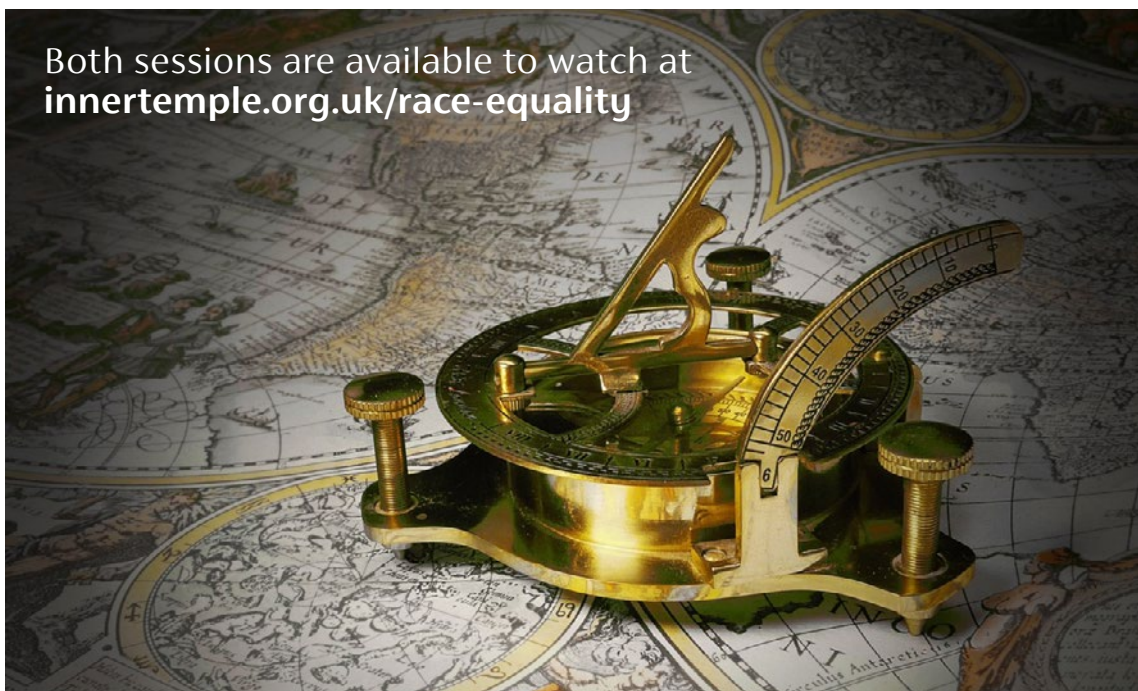
Many of our members took part in the early independence movements such as Mahatma Gandhi, Jawaharlal Nehru (the first Prime Minister of India) Seretse Khama (the first President of the Bechuanaland (modern Botswana), the founder of Pakistan Mohammed Ali Jinnah who practised from 11 King's Bench Walk. Some of our first women

members, following the Removal of the Sex Disqualification Act in 1919, were from Burma and British Malaya who travelled to London to gain legal training. They returned home bearing the coveted title of barrister-at-law and used their status to play a critical role in establishing equal political rights for their fellow women in their own countries

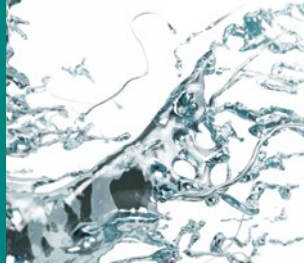
The exhibition will tell the stories of these and many others, with contributions from academics and members of the Bar. On 2 December, our first annual conference Race and the Legal Profession: Where Are We Today and When Did the Journey Begin? was held online, with practitioners relaying and discussing their own experiences of practising at the Bar, addressing the challenges of their practice and sharing their own visions for a more diverse Bar. The second part of the day focused on launching the Recovering Lost Lives from the Archives project and included discussions by academics over the challenges in researching and the lessons learnt from similar projects.

The exhibition will launch in the Spring.

Both sessions are available to watch at innertemple.org.uk/race-equality



Education & Training



Supporting Outreach – We Need You



The Inn runs a number of outreach activities throughout the year, to ensure people have access to information about the profession and about the Inn. This helps people gain a better idea about realities of life at the Bar as well as information on scholarships and practical advice about applying for the Bar.

Feedback from students who attend these events has been overwhelmingly positive. We would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who kindly volunteered to speak at the events.

The Inn does need your ongoing support to ensure that these events can happen. If you can volunteer with our upcoming insight evenings and discovery days for schools, which are happening virtually, please get in touch. You will be fully supported to make volunteering as straightforward as possible.

Please contact outreach@innertemple.org.uk to volunteer for one of our activities.

Our Upcoming Outreach Events

26 January	Insight Evening	Virtual, via Zoom	6pm - 8.00pm
4 February	Insight Evening	Virtual, via Zoom	6pm - 8.00pm
9 February	Discovery Day for Schools	Virtual, via Zoom	12.30pm - 4pm
11 February	Insight Evening	Virtual, via Zoom	6pm - 8.00pm
10 March	Insight Evening	Virtual, via Zoom	6pm - 8.00pm
23 March	Discovery Day for Schools	Virtual, via Zoom	12.30pm - 4pm
25 March	Insight Evening	Virtual, Via Zoom	6pm - 8.00pm
8 April	Discovery Day for Schools	Virtual, via Zoom	12.30pm - 4pm

In Focus

In reviewing the current outreach provision of the Inn, the Outreach Team and Outreach Committee have found that people have wanted focused sessions to cover specific topics in more detail. To support people finding out detailed information on the profession, the Inn has extended the Insight events to provide In Focus workshops to cover specific information for people who come from backgrounds currently under-represented in the profession.

The Inn is going to run two small discussion events in 2021. The first will be titled: *Neurodiversity at the Bar* on 31 March, 6pm - 8.30pm.

Themes for upcoming Insight Events are to be confirmed. Please contact **Edwina Koroma** to find out more.

News from Outreach

We are very proud to announce that we have won *The Lawyer* magazine's award for Best Talent and Inclusion Initiative for 2020. We were shortlisted as a result of our work to widen access to the profession through our Pegasus Access and Support Scheme (PASS), which helps students from under-represented backgrounds to secure mini-pupillages with partnering chambers, and supports the development of their professional and advocacy skills. We are

extremely grateful to the members who generously give their time to support our PASS participants.



Education & Training

Qualifying Sessions

The Inn welcomed 343 new BPTC students to the Inn this autumn from BPTC providers across the country. Owing to the COVID crisis, the Inn has had to continue its programme of Qualifying Sessions entirely online, as it did in the summer, and the E&T Department is extremely grateful to all the members and volunteers who have given up their time to make this possible.

The Inn's programme of online Qualifying Sessions began with an Introductory Evening held remotely, where students heard from the Treasurer and other senior members about the role of the Inn in education and training and the Qualifying Sessions available to them as well as support schemes and Student Societies.

Inner Temple Qualifying Sessions complement students' academic and vocational education and form a bridge to pupillage. The sessions equip students to undertake the next stage of training and ensure that they are fit and proper to serve the public as barristers by meeting and learning from practitioners and experts. Our Qualifying Sessions provide knowledge and skills in the following areas:

- **Ethics, standards and values**
- **Advocacy skills**
- **Legal knowledge**
- **Preparation for Pupillage, Career Development and Wellbeing**
- **Equality, Diversity and Inclusion**

Focus is firmly placed on developing the knowledge and skills necessary to practise as a barrister. In no other profession is there such a structured and regular meeting of senior practitioners with students, with the former giving their time pro bono. Qualifying Sessions are either free or heavily subsidised by the Inn (all

online Qualifying Sessions, aside from the advocacy weekends, are entirely free).

Qualifying Sessions in the Michaelmas term included presentational skills training, advocacy training days, moots, EDI lectures, legal research training sessions and masterclasses.

The November Advocacy Weekend, held online, entitled Modern Slavery and the Modern Slavery Act, featured contributions from those experienced in issues surrounding modern slavery, including lawyers, academics and members of the judiciary. Students heard from a range of expert speakers including Dr Carrie Pemberton Ford (CCARHT), Tribunal Judge Michelle Brewer, Phillipa Southwell (Southwell & Associates), Phil Brewer (Former Head of SC07 Kidnap and Trafficking Unit), Dr Eileen Walsh (Helen Bamber Foundation) and Ben Douglas-Jones QC (5PB). Students also participated in ethics training and advocacy training with experienced barristers and judges.

Students at Bar Courses outside of London are able to organise with members on circuit up to three local qualifying sessions which are subsidised by the Inn. The dates and topics must be approved by the Education & Training Department in advance and the qualifying sessions must be attended by at least two senior members of the Inn. If any member on circuit would be interested in giving a talk or running an advocacy training workshop/moot/debate for students on their circuit, please contact **Kerry Upham**.

Police Liaison Scheme

Regrettably the Police Liaison Scheme will be suspended until further notice. However, we do have a list of interested students who will be given the opportunity to participate as soon as possible and encourage any

other student members to register their interest if they would like to be included. For further information about the scheme, please email **Kerry Upham**.

Mock Interview Scheme

The Mock Interview Scheme aims to help students develop their interview technique and build up confidence prior to pupillage interviews. This scheme is at its busiest in February-April and we are therefore now

seeking barristers to help out.

If you are interested in participating as an interviewing barrister, please contact **Helen Gaskell**.

Attention Inner Temple Pupils!

If you have not yet notified the Inn of your pupillage, please do so immediately so this can be updated on your membership record. Once your pupillage is registered with the BSB, you will be sent details of the next available compulsory advocacy course, which must be completed in your first six in order to be issued with a practising certificate. Please contact **David Miller** for further details.

ITSA

Following a competitive process, the Inner Temple Students' Association (ITSA) appointed its new committee in October who are as follows:

President

Mia Shantana Chaudhuri-Julyan

Vice-President

Riccardo Pagano

Vice-President and Regional Co-ordinator

Jack Nicholas Fernandino

Secretary

Nancy Kelehar

Treasurer

Georgina Stein-Hemmings

Social and Media Secretary

Jade Amanda Laporte

BPP Representative

Lauren Gardner

City Representative

Pujita Saini

Inns of Court College

of Advocacy Representative

Olivia English

UWE Representative

Grace Etheredge

Leeds Representative

Adam Kingaby-Daly

Nottingham Representative

Rafiah Sattar

GDL Representative

Ellie Horan

Having only spent a short time in their new posts, the committee recently held a Halloween Zoom quiz as their first event of the year, with quizmaster extraordinaire Master Alastair Hodge. Despite our being unable to host a Christmas ball or Burns Night Supper over the coming months, we are organising a remote Secret Santa scheme where any member of the Inn can sign up and be paired with whom they will exchange a small gift or card in the post. We will also be hosting a virtual Christmas social event for all student members in December where we aim to re-create the wonderful social atmosphere that would have been felt in-person.

We hope to host a series of practice area-themed pupillage panel evenings and application clinics for students in January, as well as a new mini-series of pupillage events specifically for groups who are under-represented at the Bar. ITSA is extremely grateful for the support of everyone at the Inn. If you might be able to give your time and expertise at one of our pupillage events in January, we would be delighted to hear from you. Our email is innertemplestudents@gmail.com.

For those interested in finding out more about our upcoming events and much more, please visit our [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) or [Instagram @innertemplestudents](#)

Education & Training

The Inner Temple Debating Society

By Alex Ferrigno and Shannon Knight

While 2019/2020 was a strange year for all, there were still many highlights for the Debating Society. Members attended many national and international competitions throughout the first portion of the academic year. The Intervarsity Competition, held outside of Inner Temple while Project Pegasus continues, was brilliantly successful. Following the move to our new Zoom-based world, the Inner Temple Public Speaking Competition was held with similar success for its third year in a row.

Following the selection of a new committee to support this year's presidents, the society has had a strong start to the new year, with all weekly debates being held online this term. With training delivered before each session, we have already seen fantastic improvement from our regular members and are sure to have some strong performances in competitions later in the year.

Preparation is underway for the Inner Temple Intervarsity Competition, which is widely praised amongst the university circuit as one of the most prestigious and enjoyable competitions of the year. We hope that this year's tournament, despite the idiosyncrasies of a digital competition, will be as successful as events past. Teams will come from universities across the UK, all competing for a place in the final and the chance to win the Harrison Plate. In the final term of the year, Inner Temple students will be able to compete in both the Rawlinson Cup and the Public Speaking Competition. Both of these offer slightly different challenges to our members compared to the British Parliamentary debating taught and practised in our usual weekly meetings, and we look forward to selecting our competitors later in the year.

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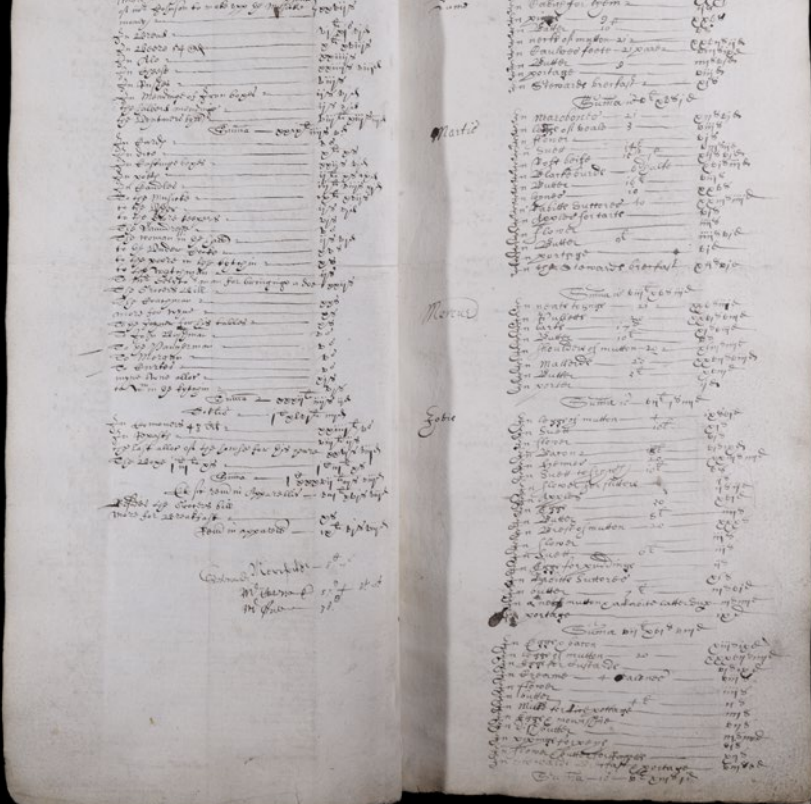
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Christmas Accounts 1614-82

42 chicken, 2£. 2s.; 14 geese at 3£. 1s. 6d.; 6 ½ lbs. of bacon, 5s. 3d.; 42 marrow bones, 1£. 8s.; 8 quarts of oysters, 16s.; 16 green plovers, 1£. 4s.; a tart, 5s.; 10 cocks, and 8 widgeons, 1£. 8s.; 2 partridges, and 24 larks, 8s.; 2 dried tongues, 6s.; anchovies and butter, 15s. 5d.; for music, 15£.; for dice, 31£. (note: 400 sets were purchased in some years); for wine, 29£. 4s.; for casting boxes, 3£. 9s.; for blowing the horn, 5s.; for washing the hall and library, 5s.; paid the surgeon and to the watchman, that was hurt, 3£.

The Inn's Christmas Accounts 1614 - 82 are now scanned and available to access innertemple.org.uk/christmas-accounts

Christmas at all the Inns of Court and Chancery were celebrated in elaborate and ostentatious style from All Saints Eve (31 October) to Candlemas Day (2 February). Alongside the usual religious observances, they included the performance of student run and written plays, masques, dancing, singing and lavish banquets. From 1600, professional actors were employed who included Shakespeare's group the King's Players who appear on several occasions in these accounts. Attendance was compulsory for all members.

These events were collectively known as revels, the word revel taken from the Latin *Rebellare* meaning to rebel. The events were intended to overturn the natural order of governance with the lowest and youngest taking control, with the appointment of a Lord of Misrule who would organise the festivities and partying. At The Inner Temple he was known as the Prince of Sophie or the Christmas Prince and Master of Revels. In 1561, he was played by Robert Dudley Earl

of Leicester whose revels were said to be particularly extravagant.

The celebrations have been compared to a rumbustious children's party... a curious mixture of officially tolerated horse-play and carefully preserved medieval tradition. "With the Lords of Misrule sometimes exceeding their artistic licence on one occasion one killed someone." Pepys remembered in the 1660s being shown the two Temple halls at Christmas and recalled his shock at the drunkenness, swearing and gambling he saw taking place. In 1661, the horseplay became too much and Christmas was cancelled here but, perhaps due to the great protests that ensued, reinstated 1662 and remained a feature until the end of the century.

Three members were elected as steward, marshal and Master of Revels to oversee the festivities and keep the accounts. These accounts record all the items purchased throughout the Christmas periods from 1614 to 82. The Christmas Account for 1663 includes the items listed above, including the expense of medical assistance for the watchman that was injured, no doubt as a result of the rambunctiousness of an over excited reveller.



Textural Beauty

Sean Harkin Head Gardener



Arbutus menziesii



Arbutus menziesii bark

Last autumn was particularly beautiful with the Garden's special tree collection doing its best to cheer our spirits with painterly shades of gold, yellow, orange and red. But our trees also provide an array of barks, each with their distinct characteristics of texture, form and beauty. Winter provides the ideal conditions to appreciate them. There is something unique and worthy of admiration of all the barks within our tree collection, but for this article I will draw attention to two of my favourites.

To start, the Pacific Madrone, *Arbutus menziesii* located at the top of the Garden by the sundial, has the most glorious bark in rich shades of copper. Native to the Pacific North America, this is a rarer species of the more well-known strawberry tree (*Arbutus unedo*), its Mediterranean relative.

As the fresh red bark matures it begins to peel, revealing the copper smooth layer beneath. The best way to showcase this is in a multi-stemmed form and to 'limb up' the lower branches as it matures, taking the evergreen foliage away so the trunk can be enjoyed unhindered. This tree thrives on the heat and dry conditions we can provide here in the City. Our specimen is starting to mature to provide a structural elegance and with a trunk reminiscent of a Henry Moore bronze.

Another tree worthy of close inspection is down on the eastern side of the Garden, just on from the entrance gate at King's Bench Walk: the wondrous Dawn Redwood, *Metasequoia glyptostroboides*. The genus of *Metasequoia* was known only through fossil records dating back ninety million years

ago. A close relative of the North American Giant Redwoods (*Sequoiadendron*) and Swamp Cypress (*Taxodium*), *Metasequoia* was thought to be extinct until discovered in 1943 by Chinese botanist Wang Zhan in Sichuan province, China. This was considered one of, if not the most, significant botanical discoveries of the twentieth century.

This led to further expeditions and seed

stripped back and I would encourage all to get as much as possible and do this.

I realise that many may already be spending too much time on Zoom, but for those interested the dark evenings may provide a good opportunity to enjoy one of the Kew Mutual Improvement Society Lectures. Since 1871, the Kew Mutual Improvement Society has been running an annual lecture season to boost



Metasequoia gluptostroides



Metasequoia gluptostroides bark

was collected and distributed to botanical institutions by the late 1940s. Later it was discovered that it also propagates well from cutting and that it can tolerate urban pollution resulting in them being used as urban street trees. There is a row planted behind the Royal Courts of Justice on Carey Street opposite the Seven Stars pub. While I enjoy them as street trees, I find that they look more wondrous in a garden surrounded by other plants such as our specimen here. The trunks and bark of these magnificent deciduous conifers is like something from 'The Magic Faraway Tree', all gnarled, wise and hinting at the history of this ancient genus. Do take a moment to enjoy its beauty and rich story. Winter provides the perfect opportunity to enjoy the detail of the Garden with it largely

knowledge of the plant and fungal kingdom. Traditionally the lectures would take place at Kew but for the first time in their history the series is moving online, resulting in them being more widely accessible. Having attended these lectures since my trainee days back at Wisley, it was a great honour to be asked to present as part of this year's lecture series. On Monday 22 February at 6pm you are welcome to join me for an hour where I will be presenting *Tales of the city: Revealing London's Secret Garden*. The lecture series is organised by the Kew Diploma students, is only available live and costs £3 with the proceeds going back into education (Full details at www.kew.org/learning/talks-and-lectures/kew-mutual-improvement-society).

Library



Legal Research Training

Library staff have continued to run legal research training sessions via Zoom. Qualifying sessions for students took place on 29 September and 21 October, and a session for pupils on 28 October. It is not quite the same as being able to present the session in person, but some aspects have been positive. Use of the chat function for the question and answer session was particularly successful in the students'

session, as people seem more comfortable using this than asking a question out loud. It has also been good in terms of accessibility, with fewer pupils having to drop out because of work commitments, and at least one person following a session from a train, which is a first for us. The pupils' session was described by an attendee as *"a really good refresher"*.

New Students and The Library

If you are a new student member of The Inner Temple, you may be wondering why you need to know about the Library. It is important that you use the Library at this early stage and understand how it can help you throughout your career.

Here are some of the reasons to use the Library now:

Library Staff – the staff are all very knowledgeable and experienced and can find materials quickly;

Collections – the Library has huge collections of textbooks, law reports, journals and official publications. All you need for your research should be available in the Library;

Archives of Old Editions – the Library keeps superseded works so you can find the law at the point in time relevant to your legal research;

Legal Research Training – the Library runs qualifying sessions on legal research, and can advise on how to use both hard copy and online resources;

Assistance with Research – the Library can advise on the resources and databases best

suited to answering your problem;

Legal Subscription Databases – the Library provides access to a full range of subscription databases and can organise training on them;

Current Awareness Blog

innertemplelibrary.com – this will help you keep up to date with new developments without having to seek them out;

AccessToLaw Gateway Site

acesstolaw.com – this provides access to hundreds of free-to-access websites that have authoritative content;

Document Supply Service – when you need a law report, article or chapter from a book, the Library can email it to you;

Finally, the Library offers peaceful surroundings with plenty of space and modern facilities.

The Library is here for all members to make use of and if you start to use the Library now, life will be much easier once you are a pupil.

LOCKDOWN LIBRARY

ENQUIRIES

We had to close the Library on 20 March, but we never stopped working and our email enquiry service continued to be maintained unbroken Monday to Friday.

"You have all been a marvellous support to me this summer."

"As always you are a life saver!"

DOCUMENT SUPPLY

700+ documents supplied since lockdown.

"Thank you and such great service .. amazing!"

"This service really is a God send."

VIRTUAL TRAINING SESSIONS

Virtual legal research sessions (including Qualifying Sessions) held for over 60 students.

"Your session has been really helpful"

OUTREACH

Virtual tours for prospective members.

"a really helpful session"

E-RESOURCES TRAINING

Working with the database providers, the Library is offering eResource training for Inner Temple members. Please contact tdennis@innertemple.org.uk if you are interested in web-based training on Lexis®Library & Lexis®PSL, Westlaw & Practical Law, or JustisOne.

"I had the JustisOne training yesterday and it was fantastic"

RESEARCH TIPS

We have produced a series of daily "How-To's" on various areas of legal research. These answer questions we as Library staff are frequently asked and include free web-based sources, hard copy materials and subscription-based databases.

RE-OPENING THE LIBRARY SAFELY

Our priority is to maintain a Library space in which users can feel comfortable and confident that all precautions have been taken on their behalf.

In order to ensure a safe environment for our users when the Inner Temple Library is open, we have brought in certain measures which will impact upon the way the Library operates.

The Library will be open from September Monday to Friday from 10am to 4pm. We will still be operating an email enquiry service and a document supply service from 9am to 5pm.

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Social Media Activities

In August the Library produced two threads on Twitter explaining neutral citations:

Everything you ever wanted to know about neutral citations but were afraid to ask and **The Hierarchy of Citations**.

And in September the Library published the thread **Starting Legal Research: a guide for students**.

Black History Month 2020

Statistics show that a disproportionate number of black people die in custody. For **Black History Month 2020** we highlighted some of the deaths in custody cases that have occurred in the UK over the past 50 years. It makes for some sobering reading.

Library Closure

Taking into consideration the latest government advice, a decision was taken to close the Library as from 5 January. We continue to offer a free document supply service between 9am and 5pm Monday-Friday for barrister members of all four Inns. Details are available on innertemplelibrary.org.uk/temp-document-supply-service

Infographic

The Library produced an **infographic** to show what the Library had been doing since lockdown in March.

Project Pegasus

Project Update

Works continue apace including:

- M&E first fix installation throughout the building
- Installation of new fourth floor structural steel
- Intumescent painting to the new structural steel
- Carpentry to the new mansard roof structure including the new dormer windows
- Installation of new copper for gutters & dormers
- Refurbishment of existing windows throughout
- Installation of roof light steel
- Reinstallation of library joinery
- Flat roof membrane installation to the new mansard
- Fit-out of ground floor washrooms
- Installation of drylining throughout the building

The Sir Robert McAlpine Special Projects site team offices are based in the former Treasury Office. If you have any comments, concerns or questions about the construction activities you can contact john.walker@srm.com
07866 783 710

The permitted site working hours are from:
8.00am to 6.00pm
Monday to Friday
9.00am to 2.00pm
Saturday (when required)

You can keep up to date with activities on site by signing up for the weekly construction update which gives a two week forward view of what is happening on site. You can sign up for this newsletter via innertemple.org.uk/project-pegasus





The Road to Restoration Continues

Members may recall, from the Trinity 2019 issue, the painstaking removal of the over-mantle woodcarvings, attributed to Grinling Gibbons, which had sat above the fireplace in the Parliament Chamber. The carvings had been pinned to the oak panelling causing splits. Over time they cracked and split further as they could not expand and

contract freely. This caused further cracking and splitting which necessitated further pinning and yet more damage.

After months of meticulous restoration, we are delighted to see the beautiful woodcarvings restored to their former glory by the Carvers and Gilders. Broken and missing pieces have been repaired or recarved and the wood cleaned to bring the beautifully restored woodcarvings back to good health, ready to take pride of place again when we return to the Treasury Building.



Temple Church Hilary Term

We are holding
a choral service
every Wednesday
at 5.45pm during
term-time.

Special Services and Events

We hope you can be with us in person for some of our services this term. During this global pandemic, kindly refer to our website for up-to-date information on restrictions. Please note that all our choral services will be streamed and available through our website. www.templechurch.com

JANUARY

Sunday 17 January, 11.15am
FIRST CHORAL MATTINS OF THE NEW YEAR

Wednesday 20 January, 5.45pm
EPIPHANY CAROL SERVICE

FEBRUARY

Wednesday 3 February, 5.45pm
CHORAL EVENSONG: CANDLEMAS

Wednesday 10 February, 5.45pm
CHORAL EVENSONG TO CELEBRATE ST VALENTINE'S DAY

Wednesday 17 February, 5.45pm
CHORAL EVENSONG: ASH WEDNESDAY

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MARCH

Wednesday 17 March, 5.45pm
CHORAL EVENSONG: ST PATRICK'S DAY

Wednesday 24 March, 5.45pm
PASSIONTIDE SEQUENCE:
THE STORY OF HOLY WEEK

Sunday 28 March, 11.15am
CHORAL MATTINS: PALM SUNDAY
THE ENTRY INTO JERUSALEM

Wednesday 31 March, 5.45pm
COMPLINE AND MUSIC FROM TENEBRAE
(HOLY WEEK)

APRIL

Thursday 1 April, 1.15pm
CHORAL COMMUNION:
MAUNDY THURSDAY
THE LAST SUPPER

Friday 2 April, 11.15am
CHORAL MATTINS: GOOD FRIDAY
THE CRUCIFIXION

Saturday 3 April, 8.00pm
EASTER VIGIL AND THE FIRST
COMMUNION OF EASTER:
THE EASTER FIRE

Sunday 4 April, 11.15am
CHORAL COMMUNION: EASTER SUNDAY
RISE HEART, THY LORD IS RISEN

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www.templechurch.com



Temple Music

World-class classical music in the historic spaces of The Temple



Temple Church Choir

Tuesday 26 January, 7.30pm
Temple Church

This concert will be broadcast live on BBC Radio 3



Eva-Maria Westbroek *soprano* Julius Drake *piano*

Thursday 28 January, 7pm
Temple Church

Strauss Six Songs
Wagner Wesendonck Lieder
& songs by **Turina**, **Guridi**,
Guastavino & **Piazzolla**



Concert curated by John Ashton Thomas

Thursday 11 February, 7pm
Temple Church (date tbc)

A concert of music written and chosen by the acclaimed British composer, John Ashton Thomas, featuring a line-up of leading musicians hand-picked by him.



Lucy Crowe *soprano* Julius Drake *piano*

Tuesday 9 March, 7pm
Temple Church

Strauss Four Last Songs
Berg Seven Early Songs
and songs by **Schumann**



Imogen Cooper *piano*

Monday 19 April, 7pm
Middle Temple Hall

Beethoven Diabelli Variations | Sonata No. 31 in Ab Op. 110



The Busch Trio

Thursday 29 April, 7pm
Middle Temple Hall

Beethoven Trio in Bb Op. 97 'The Archduke'
Tchaikovsky Trio in A minor Op. 50

All Temple Music concerts are Covid-Secure

These concert details are subject to change so please keep an eye on our website and social media platforms for the most up-to-date news and information, or join our e-list from our website.

Whilst social distancing requirements are in place the ticket capacity for all of our concerts is limited. Priority booking is available to Temple Music Circle members - to find out more visit templemusic.org/support-us.

templemusic.org
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Staff News



ANDY DICKSON

We waved a fond farewell to Andy, in October when he emigrated to the USA, to begin a life over there with his wife Jocelyn. We wish him all the best for the future. He has certainly been a great asset to both the Porters team and The Inner Temple.

Long Service

Many congratulations to the following members of staff who have completed significant periods of employment at the Inn.

10 YEARS

David Miller, Professional Training Manager
Davis Mwakitwange, Night Security

15 YEARS

Lukas Jelinek, Procurement Manager

20 YEARS

Fiona Fulton, Director of Education

Taking bookings subject to government advice

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Hilary Term Diary

JANUARY

- 11 Hilary Term Law Sittings Begin
Bar Liaison Committee (Online)
- 12 Executive Committee (Online)
EDI Series: Women at the Bar (Online)
- 15-16 Intersarsity Debating (Online)
- 17 Intersarsity Mooting (Online)
First Choral Mattins of the Legal Term
- 18 Students' Societies Sub-Committee (Online)
Advocacy Masterclass (Online)
- 20 **Spotlight On: Civil Pupillage (Online)**
- 21 **Bench Table (Online)**
Temple Women's Forum: Screening of *What Doesn't Kill Me* (Online)
- 22 Mentors' Training (Online)
- 25 **Moving on with Legal Research - Circuit QS (Online)**
- 26 Pegasus Trust Interviews (Online)
Education and Training Committee (Online)
Insight Event: Becoming a Barrister (Online)
- 27 Pegasus Trust Interviews (Online)
Investment Sub-Committee (Online)
Choral Evensong: For Candlemas
- 28 Pegasus Trust Interviews (Online)
COIC Board Meeting
- 29-31 **Students' Advocacy Weekend (Online)**

FEBRUARY

- 1 Advocacy Training Committee (Online)
TMF Board Meeting
- 2 Estates Committee
Social Context of the Law Series (Online)
- 3 Books Sub-Committee (Online)
- 4 Insight Event: Becoming a Barrister (Online)
- 8 Bar Liaison Committee (Online)
- 9 Discovery Day for Schools (Online)
Executive Committee (Online)
Spotlight On: Crime and Family Pupillage (Online)
- 10 Library Committee (Online)

- 11 Pension Scheme Trustees (Online)
EDI Sub-Committee (Online)
Insight Event: Becoming a Barrister (Online)
- 15 **Reader's Lecture Night (Online) (Master Leslie Thomas)**
- 17 Qualifying Sessions Sub-Committee (Online)
Choral Evensong: Ash Wednesday
- 20 **Ethics in Practice (Online)**
- 22 **Temple Women's Forum: Applying for Silk (Online)**
Tackling Discrimination – Circuit QS
- 24 COIC Board Meeting (GI)
- 27 **Education Day (Online)**

MARCH

- 1 **International Practice Panel (Online)**
- 2 Estates Committee (Online)
Bar Societies' and Bar Officers' Workshop (Online)
- 4 **Bench Table (Online)**
- 6 Bar Course Scholarship Interviews (Online)
- 8 Bar Liaison Committee (Online)
Reader's Lecture Night (Online) (Dr Carmen Draghici)
- 9 Executive Committee
- 10 Insight Event: Becoming a Barrister (Online)
- 13 Bar Course Scholarship Interviews (Online)
- 22 Outreach Committee (Online)
History Society Lecture (Online)
- 23 Discovery Day for Schools (Online)
- 25 Insight Event: Becoming a Barrister (Online)
- 28 Choral Mattins for Palm Sunday
- 29 **Hilary Term Call Night (Online)**
- 30 Qualifying Sessions Sub-Committee (Online)
- 31 In Focus (Online)
ISAG Meeting (GI)
Hilary Term Law Sittings End

APRIL

- 1 Choral Communion: Maundy Thursday
- 2 Choral Mattins: Good Friday
- 3 Easter Vigil Holy Saturday
- 4 Choral Communion: Easter Sunday
- 12 Bar Liaison Committee
- 13 Easter Term Law Sittings Begin
Executive Committee
- 14 Discovery Day for Schools
Books Sub-Committee
**Memorial Service for Master
John Laws**

KEY

Green: Qualifying Sessions

Blue: Special Events

Bronze: Bencher only Events



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