

**Institute of Physics – L & S E Branch – Retired Members Section**  
**MANSION HOUSE ART GALLERY & CITY CHURCHES**  
**THURSDAY 22 February 2018**

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This event has been organised by George Freeman and guide David Thompson

This visit to the Mansion House is to view the best collection of Dutch and Flemish paintings in London (the Harold Samuel Collection) and after lunch we will visit some of the City's churches, mostly by Wren.

The Mansion House is one of the grandest surviving Georgian town palaces in London, with magnificent interiors. It is the purpose-built home of the Lord Mayor of the City of London, providing not only living and working space for the Lord Mayor and his household but also room for large ceremonial entertainments and banquets.

It contains a great collection of art in the form of paintings, furniture, decoration, sculpture and plate, much of which has been donated. We will look at the Harold Samuel Collection of Dutch and Flemish 17<sup>th</sup> century paintings.

**NB NO PHOTOGRAPHY.** Cameras, camera phones, videos, etc are to be left with security.

Our Blue Badge guide - David Thompson - is an art expert and after lunch will take us elsewhere in the City.

**WARNING:** Because of the importance of the Mansion House this tour could be cancelled at the last moment should it be required by the Government or the Lord Mayor.

**MEET** in the cafe in the church St Mary Aldermary, which is at the junction of Watling Street and Bow Lane, from 10:15. From the Bank station use exit 8 and walk along Queen Victoria Street. EC4M 9BW.

**LUNCH** David has arranged for us to eat in a pub, Ye Old Watling in Watling Street, two doors from the church. We must pre-order our food as there are about 20 of us. I will send the menus to those who register and require a weeks notice. EC4M 9RB

10.15 – 10.50	Meet in the church cafe. Meet our guide
10.50	Walk to the entrance of the Mansion House
11.00 – 12.30	Tour of Mansion House paintings.
12.30 – 13.55	Lunch
14.00	Guided tour of some City churches.

**GETTING THERE** The meeting place is close to the underground stations; Bank, Mansion House and Cannon Street, see map.

**COSTS** £17 each for a maximum 20 people  
Lunch and tea at cost.

**LATE COMERS** go to the Mansion House entrance in Walbrook (exit 8 at Bank). No entry after 11.10. You can try phoning me but there might be no signal.

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