Throughout their history the palaces we care for have hosted many of the finest craftsmen of their times, and musicians, artists, writers and craftswomen of their time, and have been a place in which the arts could thrive. The R&D Studio is a creative engine house where we can cultivate, nurture and develop ideas and relationships, and continue in this tradition. Join us as we visit the studio, meet members of the Creative Programming and Interpretation team and watch this tradition. Join us as we visit relationships, and continue in nurture and develop ideas and the arts could thrive. The R&D Development Research & Historic Royal Places – Descriptors Small Use Width 74mm Wide and less Minimum width to be used 50mm Depth 16.5mm ... Various Icon  7mm Wide 
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June

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Tour of the Mary Rose Museum
Main Road, Portsmouth PO1 3PF
12.00 – 16.00 £20
Following four decades of conservation, the Mary Rose was finally fully revealed to visitors last July. In the new look Mary Rose Museum, stunning panoramic windows allow you to see the ship from three different angles without obstruction. Join us for this special visit which will include a guided tour of the nine galleries containing some of the 19,000 artefacts recovered from the wreck, an overview of the project from the team involved and a peek behind the scenes.

July

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The White Garden Tour
Kensington Palace
11.00 – 12.00
This year, a temporary garden will be created to celebrate the life of one of Kensington Palace’s most famous residents, Diana, Princess of Wales. Join Sean Harkin, Gardens Team Leader, for a tour of this White Garden which complements the palace’s exhibition, ‘Diana: Her Fashion Story’. The historic Sunken Garden will be planted with flowers and foliage inspired by memories of the Princess’s life, image and style. Summer planting will include pots of classic English white roses surrounding the reflective pool in the centre of the garden, with glowing ornamental grasses weaving through Cosmopolitan dairy and billows of graceful Gaura.

Keeping in touch
We are always keen to hear your feedback on Historic Royal Palace’s patron scheme. If you have any suggestions for future events we would be delighted to hear from you. If you have any friends who might be interested in joining Historic Royal Palaces’ patron scheme please let us know, as we would be happy to invite them to an event or to send out further information.

Please get in touch on 020 3166 6366 or email hannah.williams@hrp.org.uk

All patron events can be booked by calling the exclusive patrons’ booking line on 020 3166 6366. The line is open Monday – Friday between 09.00 and 17.00.
**February**

**Private View of “Diana: Her Fashion Story”**

*Down Street: Churchill’s Secret Station*

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**Byward Tower, Tower of London**

Get a private tour of the Tower of London, one of the most famous historical sites in the world. The tour will include access to the White Tower, the Tower of London’s oldest surviving structure.

**Barton Altar Cloth**

*Conservation Studies, Hampton Court Palace* 11.00 - 12.00

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**Wallace Collection Arms and Armour Tour**

*The Wallace Collection*

10.00 – 11.00

Visit the Wallace Collection in its entirety, focusing on the Medieval and subsequent periods, including the era of the Rose Wars. The tour will also focus on the Medieval period, including the era of the Rose Wars, and the period of the Tudors.

**Bioarchaeology Tour**

*The Museum of London* 10.30 - 11.30

Go behind-the-scenes at the Museum of London and get a rare glimpse into the world of bioarchaeology. This tour will give you the opportunity to view some of the Museum’s most important collections, including human skeletal remains and artefacts from the medieval period.

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**March**

**Down Street: Churchill’s Secret Station**

**34-36 Bruton Street, W1J 6QX**

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**William & Son Store Event**

18.30 – 21.00

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**April**

**Gun Salute**

*Tower of London*

12.30 - 13.30

From your privileged position on the wharf you will witness a unique tradition that has marked State and Royal events since Tudor times. The Gun Salute on 21 April marks Her Majesty The Queen’s birthday and is preceded by a salute of ten guns in The Queen’s House with members of the Honourable Artillery Company and Tower officials.

**Fictive Panelling**

*Fictive Panelling*

Date and time TBC

For a unique evening, discover the discoveries of the project of the concentration of the final date. The team will use the opportunity to discover more about the history of the site.

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**May**

**The Ceremony of the Lilies & Roses**

*Tower of London*

18.00 - 20.30

Witness one of the Tower’s more personal and moving ceremonies which takes place every year. the ceremony commemorating various events and occasions. This year, the ceremony will take place on the 18th of May, marking the anniversary of the death of Henry, Duke of Clarence, Prince of Wales (1601-1649).