



Middle Temple at the 2016 London Marathon

On Sunday 24 April 2016 five people have volunteered to run the London Marathon on behalf of Middle Temple. This year we are aiming to raise £8,000 for our charities and kindly ask you to support our runners by donating.

This year, in addition to the Middle Temple Scholarship Fund Appeal, we are raising money for Centrepoin. Centrepoin is the UK's leading charity for homeless young people, supporting 16-25 years olds with housing, learning, health and life skills.



We, and Centrepoin, would like to thank you for your support and hope to see you cheering Middle Temple during the run on 24 April 2016. [For more information on our charities and to donate please visit the donation page.](#)

Mock Pupillage Interview Scheme

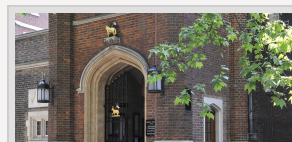
The Inn is looking for members, particularly those involved in their chambers recruitment process, to volunteer as mock interviewers. Applicants granted an interview may apply to the Inn using the online form and will then be matched with a Barrister with the appropriate specialisation from a different chambers. They may then arrange between themselves a means by which to conduct the interview. To help facilitate this the Inn can also offer use of a room in the Rutledge Suite, depending on availability.



If you are a barrister and interested in volunteering please email Richard at r.frost@middletemple.org.uk, being sure to include your current chambers, areas of practice, along with any other notes on availability. If you are an applicant and would like to apply for a mock interview please [click here](#).

Pupillage Support Scheme

The Inn is pleased to announce the introduction of a new Pupillage Support Scheme. Following a review of the Inn's funding allocation, it has been decided that funds will be made available to provide a number of Pupillage Support Grants. The purpose of these grants is to provide direct



financial assistance to pupils in publicly funded areas during the course of their 12 month pupillage in chambers.



More information can be found on our website [here](#). Please do pass this information on to any Middle Temple member who you think might benefit from the scheme.

Music Night - The Cwizewicz brothers - Wednesday 20 April 2016

Join us on Wednesday 20 April for Music Night in conjunction with the Bar Musical Society.

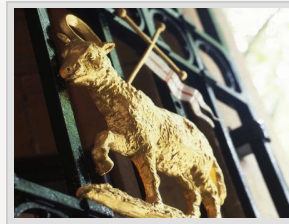
2014 saw the founding of the new duo collaboration of virtuoso violinists and brothers Michal and Filip Cwizewicz. The Cwizewicz brothers are rapidly establishing themselves as a unique ensemble, forging a reputation as exponents of underperformed chamber repertoire, their arrangements of both classical and folk music and active in commissioning new music from contemporary composers.



For more information and to book tickets please ring the Treasury on 020 7427 4800.

Members' Lounge Opening - Thursday 21 April 2016

A brand new Members' Lounge to be called "Tasker's" in memory of the late Master Tasker Watkins will open on Thursday 21 April. All members are invited to join us for the official opening by Master Watkin's daughter, Lady Mair Griffith Williams at 18:00 on Thursday 21 April 2016.



The evening is free to attend, but we kindly ask that you register with benchers@middletemple.org.uk so that we may get an approximation of numbers.

For more information on Tasker's please [click here](#).

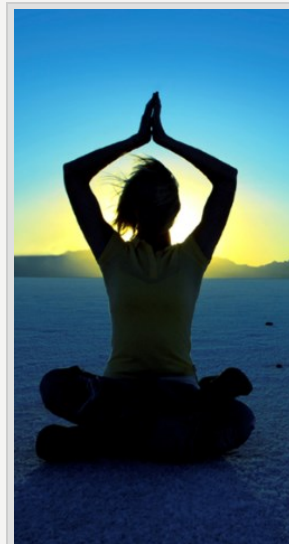
Drop in Mindfulness Sessions

We have had some wonderful feedback from our mindfulness drop in sessions last term, so we are absolutely delighted that the drop in sessions are continuing, as of 18:00 this Thursday, 7 April 2016.

The next sessions continue on Thursdays, 18:00 to 19:00, and we suggest a £5 donation to cover costs.

The venues and dates are:

Thursday 21 April – Sherrard Room
Thursday 28 April – Whitfield Room
Thursday 5 May – Rutledge Room 5
Thursday 12 May – Sherrard Room
Thursday 19 May – Sherrard Room
Thursday 26 May – Sherrard Room
Thursday 2 June – Sherrard Room
Thursday 9 June – Sherrard Room
Thursday 16 June – Whitfield Room
Thursday 23 June – Prince's Room
Thursday 30 June – Sherrard Room
Thursday 7 July – tbc
Thursday 14 July – Rutledge Room 5
Thursday 21 July – Sherrard Room
Thursday 28 July – tba



We really hope to see you there for some shared calm and

please do let other colleagues and friends know about the sessions.

If you should have any questions, please contact Jo Shaw at jshaw@1ec.co.uk.

Yoga for Beginners

Middle Temple has introduced a beginners yoga and meditation course for barristers starting on Wednesdays, between 18:30 and 19:30 in Middle Temple Ashley Building.

The venues and dates are:

Wednesday 20 April - Sherrard Room

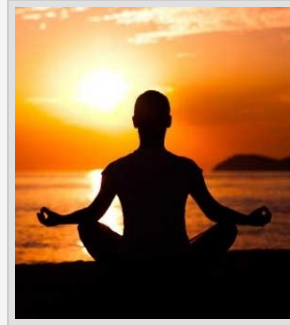
Wednesday 27 April - Sherrard Room

Tuesday 3 May - Sherrard Room

Wednesday 11 May - Sherrard Room

Suggested donation of £10 per class (£5 for pupils and those at the publicly funded Bar). All proceeds go to the charities Mind and CALM. The course will cover the fundamentals of yoga and meditation but each class is self-contained so feel free to drop in.

Spaces are limited so please email lauramayap@me.com or text/call 077771 520711 to book. For more details see www.facebook.com/lauramayayoga.

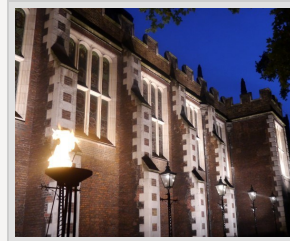


Battle of the Bands - Friday 22 April 2016

On 22 April, Middle Temple and Female Fraud Forum will jointly be hosting a spectacular evening of entertainment, aimed at combining a lot of musical fun with raising funds for two good causes.

Battle of the Bands will be an unmissable music extravaganza, in memory of Simon Draycott QC. Simon was a much-loved member of the Inn and one of the two beneficiaries of funds raised will be St. Joseph's Hospice. The other will be the Middle Temple Scholarship Fund Appeal.

For more information and tickets please visit our [website](#).

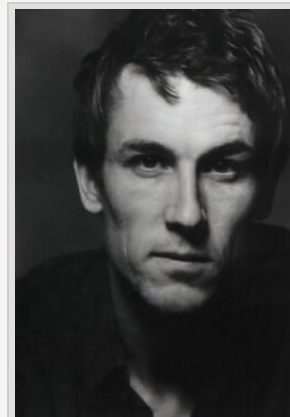


The Dark Lady and the Tender Churl - Saturday 23 April 2016

The Fourth Choir is proud to announce that Tobias Menzies, star of the international hit series Outlander and the Night Manager, will be performing with them in a special concert to mark the 400th anniversary of Shakespeare's death, at Middle Temple Hall on 23 April.

The concert, entitled The Dark Lady and the Tender Churl, tells the story of the tortured bi-sexual love-triangle portrayed in Shakespeare's Sonnets between Shakespeare, the Dark Lady and a handsome younger man, referred to as the Tender Churl in the first Sonnet.

For more information and tickets please visit the [Fourth Choir website](#).



Temple Music Foundation - Come and Sing with John Rutter - Saturday 30 April 2016

Internationally treasured composer and director Master John Rutter returns to the Temple for an enjoyable day of music making. Guests will rehearse and sing in both Middle Temple Hall and the Temple Church; beautiful, historic locations with glorious acoustics.

For more information and bookings please visit the [Temple Church website](#).



Four Jurisdictions Law Conference at Middle Temple - Friday 6 to Sunday 8 May 2016

The Four Jurisdictions Conference, hosted by Middle Temple, will be held in London from 6 to 8 May 2016.

Members of the Inn will have the opportunity to get together with members of the three other Bars and their Judiciary. The venue rotates – 2014 was held in Belfast, 2015 Edinburgh, 2016 London (at Middle Temple) and then onto Dublin in 2017.



There are a limited number of places available at a reduced price for those under 5 years Call, and those between 5 and 10 years Call, on a first come first served basis.

For more information, please [click here](#).

Middle Temple Survive and Thrive Programme - 12 May 2016

Social media is like marmite – people either love it or hate it. However, some of the negative reactions to social media are based on a lack of understanding within the legal sector. Particularly surrounding social media options and how best to select and use each, depending on your needs.

During the third event in our Survive & Thrive Programme, chaired by **Sir Trevor McDonald**, we will outline:

- the main social media channels relevant to the legal world together with the pros and cons of each
- how to use social media for relationship building, winning business and for knowledge gathering
- how people can and have misused social media and lessons to be learned

The event is open and relevant to social media converts and critics alike, and will be aimed at addressing the concerns of both.

To sign-up to attend this CPD accredited event, please email members@middletemple.org.uk. Partners also welcome. Members attend free-of-charge. Non-members £10.00 which is payable in advance.

Keep up to date with all Middle Temple Survive and Thrive Programme details by following [#survivethrivemt](#) on Twitter.

Members can view the video from our last Survive and Thrive Programme event [here](#).



More Events - Looking forward to May

Monday 2 May to Tuesday 3 May 2016 - Temple Music Foundation (Midsummer Night's Dream at Middle Temple Hall. Bookings via templemusic.org)
Wednesday 11 May - Temple Music Foundation (Nadine Koutcher at Middle Temple Hall. Bookings via templemusic.org)

Monday 16 May - Oxford Society Dinner
Thursday 19 May - Annual Dinner



Charity Auction - Day hire of a Morgan classic sports car, plus a guided factory tour for two

This excellent opportunity to bid for a charity auction has arisen, thanks to one of our Benchers, who have donated a one day hire of a Morgan classic sports car, plus a guided factory tour for two visitors, in aid of the Middle Temple Scholarship Fund Appeal.

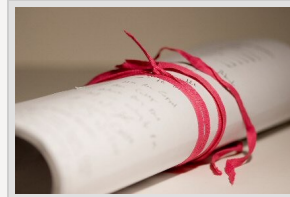


The Morgan Plus 4 embodies everything that is great about Morgan. With wider wings and tyres than the 4.4, the Plus 4 feels more planted, whilst it's 2.0 litre Ford engine gives it more power and an exhilarating ride.

Please submit your bid to benchers@middletemple.org.uk.
The deadline for bids is 16.00 on Friday 29 April 2016.

Middle Temple Disability Scheme

We are looking for practitioners with disabilities who would be willing to provide advice and share their experience. The idea is to build up a network of volunteers to whom we can refer students with disabilities who may be thinking about a career at the Bar, but are concerned about the practicalities.



If you are willing to assist, or have any comments and suggestions, please contact Murray Baker at m.baker@middletemple.org.uk.

The Bar Tribunals and Adjudication Service (BTAS) - Job Opportunities

The Bar Tribunals and Adjudication Service (BTAS) is now recruiting barristers, lay representatives and QCs to act as Members of Disciplinary Tribunals, Fitness to Practice and other Hearings for barristers. Members of the Pool will consider the most serious allegations of misconduct against barristers, ensuring that both public and professional interests are properly served.

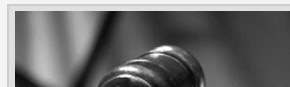


BTAS is also seeking barristers to serve as Clerks to the Tribunals, supporting the delivery of fair and independent hearings. For full details of the roles and how to apply please visit www.btasrecruitment.org.

The closing date for applications is Friday 22 April 2016.

Middle Temple Membership Cards

We are pleased to offer all members a membership card, the first of which is always free and can be obtained from the Treasury. If you require a replacement card there will be a



small administration charge for this.

Members will have noticed the changing faces of the security and front of house team in the last few months and we would be grateful if members would please carry their membership cards when coming to the Inn and especially to Tasker's (the new Members' Lounge) as without a card you may be able to delayed in gaining access to the new Middle Temple Members' Lounge.



For more information please contact the Treasury on 020 7427 4800.

An update from the Library - Rare Book of the Month

In February, the Library created a new feature on its website, Rare Book of the Month. This will allow us to highlight certain key texts from the Rare Book and Manuscripts Collection.

So far, we have featured three titles: a 17th century music book, a 16th century travel book and an 18th century legal work with some unusual features to it.

The Rare Book of the Month can be viewed on our [website here](#).

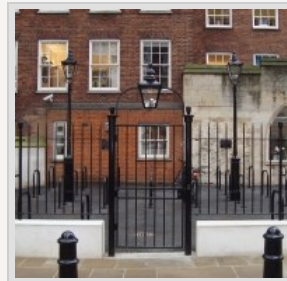


An update from our Estates Department - QEB Bicycle Enclosure

We are pleased to announce that use of the bicycle enclosure is now free-of-charge for all members, tenants and employees who travel by bicycle. If wish to park a roadworthy bicycle in the enclosure, please visit our Security Office at 4A Essex Court.

Security will upgrade your access rights and issue you with an identification band which must be fitted to your bicycle. No charge will be made for the band.

Parking bicycles elsewhere in QEB Car Park will no longer be permitted as they have been obstructing access to car parking bays and they look unsightly.



Upcoming Bar Council International Events and Opportunities

The Bar of England and Wales is very internationally orientated. A significant proportion of its members have an international practice and that number is increasing all the time. Clients in need of international legal advocacy or advisory services in any field of law can find the right experts at the English Bar.

The Bar Council International Committee and team work to promote both the interests of the Bar and the rule of law abroad.

Each month in the Middle Temple eNews we will be including a link to their [upcoming international events and opportunities](#).



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