

# Worshipful Company of Tax Advisers



## CURRY NIGHT AT THE ORIENTAL CLUB

TUESDAY 4<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2018



ORIENTAL CLUB

Why not join us for a Curry in the wonderful surroundings of the Oriental Club? Great food in an historic setting.

We will learn about the history of this fascinating Club before enjoying a Club curry. During our introduction to the Club, there will be some Cava and canapes. This will be followed by a Curry Buffet with three choices of curry plus rice, side dishes, Naan breads, poppadoms, a half bottle of club wine per person, kulfi and coffee.

The Oriental Club has an assured place in history. In literature, it has been a reference point throughout the nineteenth and into the twentieth century, with novelists such as William Thackeray and Lytton Strachey referencing the Club, and countless others drawing from its stable of colourful characters. The Club was founded by returning officers and officials from India and the East who had witnessed both wondrous and challenging sights. It was a valued haven in a London that must have seemed at once comfortingly familiar and yet so different to the exotic climate and culture that had become their everyday in the East. Major General Sir John Malcolm coordinated the founding committee in 1824 and advertised a Club that would draw its Members from 'Noblemen and gentlemen associated with the administration of our Eastern empire, or who have travelled or resided in Asia, at St. Helena, in Egypt, at the Cape of Good Hope, the Mauritius, or at Constantinople.'

The Oriental Club's current home is Stratford House. The building was constructed in the 1770s for Edward Stratford, later the second Earl of Aldborough. Stratford paid £40,000 for the site (formerly occupied by the Lord Mayor of London's Banqueting House) along with the Robert Adam-inspired building. The Club's history is catalogued among the impressive collection of books in the Library, acquired throughout the centuries. The Oriental Club also has an extensive art collection which brings the history of the Club to life.

The price for the evening is £60 a head, inclusive of service charge and VAT. Places are limited to 40, so please book early, and do please note the Club dress code.

To book a place, please complete the slip below and return as indicated. Payment should be made by bank transfer to the Company account. Sort Code 40-03-17 Account number 61129201 Reference YourNameOCCnn (where Your Name is your Surname and initial and nn is the number of tickets), or by cheque.

### DATE

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> September  
2018

### TIME

Arrive 7pm for pre-Curry drinks

### PRICE

£60

### VENUE ADDRESS

The Oriental Club  
Stratford House,  
Stratford Place,  
London W1C 1ES

### DRESS

Jacket and tie and tailored trousers for gentlemen and equivalent smart formal dress for ladies is required.

### CLOSING DATE

21 August 2018

To: **Ann Bailey**

**WCOTA Administrator, 1st Floor Artillery House, 11-19 Artillery Row, London SW1P 1RT**

I wish to attend Curry Night at the Oriental Club

From (please print name) \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_

Any special dietary requirements? \_\_\_\_\_

I shall be accompanied by \_\_\_\_\_

I paid by electronic transfer on (date) \_\_\_\_\_

I enclose my cheque for £60 per person (made payable to the WCoTA) £ \_\_\_\_\_

