

TRINITY HOUSE & TRINITY BUOY WHARF (BLACKWALL) TOUR MONDAY 8th MAY 2017



This popular event re-run – Trinity House plus the former workshops and training school at what is now Trinity Buoy Wharf - will take place on Monday, 8 May 2017. The schedule for the day appears over the page, and includes a number of attractions in addition to Trinity House.



Numbers are limited to 25 – first come, first served!

There will be a fixed charge for the Trinity House element of the tour, payable in advance but not until your place/s are confirmed. This is likely to be in the region of £10. There will be other costs payable on the day – getting to North Greenwich, travel costs on the Emirates Cable Car and the Docklands Light Railway and the river boat. Full details and joining instructions will be given to those booking a place. However, as a guide and for example, for Oyster Card holders the total additional costs for the cable car, the DLR and the river trips are unlikely to exceed £20. You would also be responsible for meeting the costs of lunch and any evening meal/drinks.

This day is being organised by the ALK's South East Regional Representative, Ed Peppitt. Please advise events@alk.org.uk if you wish to be considered for a place on this one-day event.

PROPOSED SCHEDULE FOR MONDAY 8 MAY 2017

(subject to confirmation when finalised early in 2017)

10.00	Meet at the O2, North Greenwich (Jubilee Line) In addition, buses 108, 129, 132, 161, 188, 422, 472, 486 all serve the O2 (Coffee available for early arrivers!). There are regular boat arrivals at North Greenwich departing from several up-stream piers such as the London Eye, Bankside and Canary Wharf. Check online www.thamesclippers.com or www.tfl.gov.uk for more information on boat connections. Oystercard information also available on the tfl website.
10.15	Flight over the River Thames with an aerial view of the former Trinity Buoy Wharf at Blackwall, via the Emirates Air Line Cable Car
10.30	Depart Royal Victoria Docklands Light Railway Station
10.45	<p>Arrive East India DLR Station and a 10 minute riverside walk to Trinity Buoy Wharf, Blackwall, until 1988 the location of initial training for new lighthouse keepers as well as maintenance workshops. There will be a tour of the wharf area and buildings, now very much alive as an outstanding example of urban regeneration. There is also has a lightship moored alongside. Access to London's only lighthouse, built by James Douglass, will be arranged. There is also one of London's smallest museums, in a garden shed, dedicated to the work of Michael Faraday.</p> <p>Our tour guide will be John Burton, a senior member of the team at Trinity Buoy Wharf. What's happening at TBW, and John's enthusiasm for it, played a very great part in the enjoyment of previous ALK visits.</p> <p>Coffee and sandwiches can be obtained at the café on-site or members wishing to bring a packed lunch will be accommodated. Links to the café and restaurants on site are below: http://www.trinitybuoywharf.com/about/eat-and-drink</p> <p>There is no charge for this visit but contributions to the fascinating and beautiful Longplayer Project in the Douglass Tower building will be most welcome.</p>
13.15	Depart by river boat to O2 thence by Thames Clippers to Tower Millennium Pier*
15.00	Guided tour of Trinity House
16.15	Tour ends with tea and biscuits at Trinity House* *
17.00	(Optional) Assemble at agreed location in St Katharine's Dock for drinks and supper

*NB Subject to confirmation of 2017 sailing schedules

**NB Please note that, as this is a tour that is not included in the Trinity House programme of public tours for 2017, we have been asked to make it clear that last-minute operational reasons might result in a short-notice cancellation by Trinity House. This is considered extremely unlikely by them, but they have asked us to ensure that this possibility is understood by all.

Please also note that there is a fair amount of walking involved in this event, although it is mostly level, apart from the short uphill stretch from Tower Millennium Pier to Trinity House.

To enquire further, or to book your place, contact our Events Coordinator, David Taylor: events@alk.org.uk or call him on 01349 865323 or write to him at Tigh Corrie, East Kilcoy, Muir of Ord, IV6 7SF

TRINITY HOUSE, TOWER HILL



Trinity House had its headquarters in this fine building in the City designed by the great James Wyatt in 1798

TRINITY BUOY WHARF, BLACKWALL



Trinity House established Trinity Buoy Wharf as its Thames-side workshop in 1803. London's only lighthouse was built by James Douglass in 1864