

THE AUTUMN PARTY 2016 IRONMONGERS' HALL THURSDAY 22 SEPTEMBER

As our term begins we celebrate with a party in the splendid setting of the Court Room of the Worshipful Company of Ironmongers, one of the Great Twelve Livery Companies of the City of London.

The Ironmongers, who were originally known as the Ferroners, were incorporated under a Royal Charter in 1463, though they have archives dating back to the 13c. The first Ironmongers Hall, dating back to 1457, was in Fenchurch Street; it was rebuilt in 1587 and rebuilt again in 1745 on the same site. The third hall was destroyed on 7 July 1917 by a bomb dropped during World War I. The present Hall stands on land in Aldersgate Street which was bought in 1922: construction work, which was undertaken by Holland, Hannen & Cubitts, started that year and the Hall was opened on 17 June 1925. We take lunch in the panelled Court Room which includes magnificent stained glass and furniture from earlier halls. Here Nicholas Friend will lecture on 'In The Heat of The Moment: a Short History of the Ironworkers' Art' before we have a three-course lunch with wine in this beautiful space. Strictly limited to 50 participants.

Please join us for coffee in the garden at the Ironmongers Hall, Shaftesbury Place, Barbican, London EC2Y 8AA at 11 am. Nicholas Friend will then lecture on 'In the Heat of the Moment: the Art of Ironworking' before we have a three-course lunch with wine in the Court Room. We wind up by 3 pm. Cost: £90 including coffee, talk, three-course lunch with wine.