



REFLECTIONS OF THE LORD MAYOR · GALA EVENING 2026

Partnership Opportunities

THE 11TH REFLECTIONS OF THE LORD MAYOR GALA EVENING

A space to pause, reflect, and reconnect with what service means

Honouring the reflections of

ALASTAIR KING DL

696th Lord Mayor of London (2024–2025)

MARKING 10 YEARS OF REFLECTIONS IN STAINED GLASS

*Not simply an evening, but a moment that is carried forward — in memory,
in conversation, and in light.*

CONVENED AT

Butchers' Hall
TUESDAY 14 JULY 2026

London EC1A 7EB

PARTNERSHIP · 2026

WHY REFLECTIONS EXISTS

A moment that might otherwise pass.

Reflections of The Lord Mayor was created to hold a moment that might otherwise pass too quickly.

Each year, the Immediate Past Lord Mayor concludes their year of office — having carried the responsibility of representing the City. And yet, much of that experience is rarely spoken about.

Reflections creates space for that moment to be shared:

- honestly
- thoughtfully
- in a way that can be heard and remembered

The 2026 Moment



The 2026 Gala marks the 11th Reflections of The Lord Mayor — honouring the reflections of Alastair King DL, and the themes that shaped his mayoralty.

A Growing Tradition in Stained Glass

Alongside this, Reflections marks 10 years in stained glass.

Each year, a roundel is created as a token of thanks to the Immediate Past Lord Mayor, in recognition of the reflections they share at the Gala Evening.

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Why It Matters Now

In a world that moves quickly, spaces for reflection are rare.

Reflections offers something different:

- a moment that is intentional
- a gathering that is thoughtful
- an experience that stays with those who take part

Your partnership helps sustain that space.

AN EVENING SHAPED BY MOMENTS

Arrival. Connection. Reflection. Recognition. A shared close.

The Reflections Gala unfolds as a sequence of moments:

Each moment carries meaning — and each invites people to be present in a different way.

Partnership

Each partnership reflects a different moment in the evening — and a different way of being present within it.

AT A GLANCE

Four partnership levels — Dinner, Registration, Reception, Closing — each connected to a moment in the evening, and each carrying its own form of presence and recognition.



ORDER OF THE EVENING

The 11th Reflections of The Lord Mayor Gala Evening

Tuesday, 14 July 2026 — Butchers' Hall

Arrival & Welcome

5:00 pm **Welcome Reception · The Court Suites**
Guests are welcomed with a sparkling reception — an opportunity to arrive, reconnect, and begin the evening in conversation.

Opening & Presentation

6:00 pm **Founder's Welcome**
Christopher Seow offers a personal welcome, reflecting on the journey of Reflections and inviting guests into the spirit of the evening.

6:05 pm **Stained Glass Roundel Presentation Ceremony**
Recognising this year's competition winners, celebrating creativity, and honouring storytelling through stained glass in capturing civic life.

6:35 pm **Musical Interlude — Didgeridoo Performance**
A reflective interlude, inviting all present to pause and recognise creativity, culture, and connection through sound and light.

Transition to Dinner

6:47 pm **Ceremonial Call to Dinner**
Guests are invited to proceed to The Great Hall and take their places, ceremonially guided by a Pikeman and Musketeer of the City of London.

7:05 pm **Chinese Lion Performance · The Great Hall**
A ceremonial performance symbolising prosperity and new beginnings.

The Dinner

7:12 pm **Opening Address — Sir David Wootton**
The inaugural voice of Reflections, whose early support helped shape the Gala into what it has become — bringing continuity and civic perspective to the evening.

7:15 pm **Grace — The Revd Dr Andrew Schuman OStJ FRGS RNR**
The Revd Dr Andrew Schuman OStJ FRGS RNR, Staff Chaplain, Sea Cadet Corps and Priory Sub-Dean, St John Ambulance, offers grace — a moment of reflection, thanksgiving, and quiet acknowledgement of service.

7:20 pm

Gala Dinner

A three-course dinner is served, bringing together conversation, hospitality, and shared experience.

The Reflections

8:30 pm

Reflections — Alastair King DL

Reflecting on a year of stewardship at the intersection of enterprise, diplomacy, and public life, guided by the theme *Growth Unleashed*.

Conversation & Closing

9:05 pm

Dessert Served

A moment to pause, reflect, and gather thoughts ahead of the evening's conversation.

9:20 pm

Business Card Draw — Bollinger Special Cuvée Champagne

A light moment of anticipation and celebration before the evening's dialogue resumes.

9:25 pm

Q&A and Civic Conversation

An opportunity for thoughtful questions and open dialogue.

9:50 pm

Closing Remarks, Thanks & Presentation

Including the continuation of the Reflections tradition of presenting a £1,118 donation — a figure that resonates in Cantonese as "everyday good fortune" — to a charity nominated, on this occasion, by Alastair King DL, as a quiet gesture of goodwill and shared purpose.

After the Formal Programme

10:00 pm

Closing Gathering & Toast · The Reception Room

The evening continues more informally in The Reception Room, where guests are invited to carry forward the conversation — a quieter close to the evening. A small glass of port will be available alongside wine for those who wish to stay and reflect a little longer.

10:45 pm

Carriages

Depart with new connections, shared reflections, and enduring memories.

Dinner Partner

£17,000

At the centre of the evening.

What You Receive

- ✓ 20 Gala invitations
- ✓ Up to four Top Table places
- ✓ 10 Reflections City Breakfast invitations

Presence & Visibility

- ✓ Opportunity to display two roll-up banners within the dining space (sponsor supply)
- ✓ Three pages of advertisement space in the Programme Booklet (sponsor supply)
- ✓ Prominent presence across event materials and digital communications
- ✓ Inclusion within the Highlights Film

The Commemorative Roundel

Each year, a roundel is created as a token of thanks to the Immediate Past Lord Mayor, in recognition of the reflections they share at the Gala Evening.

The design is selected through the Reflections Stained Glass Roundel Design Competition, from which a winning artist is commissioned to translate their concept into a finished stained glass piece.

The roundel is presented by the artist during the evening, offering a lasting interpretation of a year of civic service in light and glass.

The Dinner Partner supports this commission, enabling the work to be realised and presented.

From Reflection to Record

The reflections shared on the evening are not confined to the room.

They are recorded and become part of a growing digital repository of Lord Mayors' Reflections — an evolving archive of insight shaped by experience, responsibility, and service.

Each recording is made available through the Reflections website and shared across digital and social platforms, allowing these perspectives to continue reaching audiences beyond the evening itself.

Reflections from the Lord Mayor



Michael Mainelli shares his reflections following his year in office — offering a thoughtful perspective shaped by leadership, responsibility, and lived experience.

Extended Visibility

- ✓ Your logo will appear independently within the closing credits
- ✓ Other partners will be acknowledged collectively within the closing credits
- ✓ Inclusion within a livestreamed artist conversation and its recording
- ✓ Optional 20–30 second video message inclusion

Additional Recognition

- ✓ Logo included on the commemorative cheque presentation
- ✓ Opportunity for a representative to be included in the official photograph with Alastair King DL and Christopher Seow

WHAT YOU MAKE POSSIBLE

A shared moment at the heart of the evening — where a year of service is given voice, and where those in the room are drawn into reflection, conversation, and understanding.



FROM DESIGN TO GLASS

An Artist's Perspective.



Stained glass artist Lauren Puckett reflects on her award-winning roundel — sharing the ideas, craftsmanship, and creative process behind her work.

IN 2026

*...this evolves into
a livestreamed
artist conversation.*



Registration Area Partner

£12,000

Where the evening begins — and where people are first welcomed in.

What You Receive

- ✓ 12 Gala invitations
- ✓ Up to two Top Table places
- ✓ 4 Reflections City Breakfast invitations

Presence & Visibility

- ✓ Opportunity to dress and brand the registration area (sponsor supply)
- ✓ Option to display a silent loop video (sponsor supply)
- ✓ Opportunity to display two roll-up banners (sponsor supply)
- ✓ Double-page spread in the Programme Booklet



Additional Recognition

- ✓ Logo included on the commemorative cheque presentation
- ✓ Opportunity for a representative to be included in the official photograph

WHAT YOU MAKE POSSIBLE

A beginning that feels considered — where guests arrive, reconnect, and step into an evening shaped by openness, warmth, and welcome.

Opening Reception Partner

£7,000

Where conversations begin — and connections take shape.

What You Receive

- ✓ 10 Gala invitations
- ✓ 2 Reflections City Breakfast invitations

Presence & Visibility

- ✓ Opportunity to display two roll-up banners within the reception space
- ✓ Inside cover placement in the Programme Booklet (sponsor to supply)
- ✓ Brand presence within the reception environment



Additional Recognition

- ✓ Logo included on the commemorative cheque presentation
- ✓ Opportunity for a representative to be included in the official photograph

WHAT YOU MAKE POSSIBLE

A space where conversations begin naturally — where introductions are made, ideas are exchanged, and connections take shape that often continue beyond the evening.

Closing Toast Partner

£2,500

A moment that brings the evening together.

What You Receive

- ✓ 4 Gala invitations
- ✓ 2 Reflections City Breakfast invitations

Presence & Visibility

- ✓ Opportunity to display two roll-up banners within the closing area (sponsor to supply)
- ✓ One-page advertisement in the Programme Booklet (sponsor to supply)



Additional Recognition

- ✓ Logo included on the commemorative cheque presentation
- ✓ Opportunity for a representative to be included in the official photograph

WHAT YOU MAKE POSSIBLE

A quiet close to the evening — where conversations settle into reflection, and where people leave carrying something of what has been shared together.

COMPARISON

Partnership at a glance.

FEATURE	DINNER	REGISTRATION	RECEPTION	CLOSING
Investment	£17,000	£12,000	£7,000	£2,500
Invitations	20	12	10	4
Top Table	4	2	—	—
Breakfast	10	4	2	2
Roll-up Banners	2 (Dining)	2 (Arrival)	2 (Reception)	2 (Closing)
Programme Booklet	3 pages	Double spread	Inside cover	1 page
Space Branding	The Great Hall	Reception Room	Court Suite	Reception Room
Video Display	—	Silent loop	—	—
Photo Opportunity	✓	✓	✓	✓
Cheque Branding	✓	✓	✓	✓
Recorded Reflections	Independent credit	Shared credit	Shared credit	Shared credit
Livestream	Featured	—	—	—



The reflections of the evening continue
beyond the room —
through recorded reflections and artist
dialogue
shared more widely.





A DIFFERENT KIND OF PARTNERSHIP

Shared. Remembered. Carried forward.

Reflections brings together leadership, creativity, and community —
creating moments that are

shared, remembered, and carried forward.



AN INVITATION

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