Love London?
Join President Bradley W. Bateman

Join President Bateman in London July 13-15, 2015. Whether you are a seasoned London traveler or a first
time visitor to London, this excursion is a once in a lifetime offering. We have been granted access to the
National Gallery after hours, thanks to the trustees and director of the National Gallery!

While in this historic city, the group will tour the National Gallery of London, view George Bellows’ *Men of
the Docks*, enjoy a private reception and cocktail buffet at the National Gallery, eat lunch on a River Thames
cruise, delight in an evening of theatre, and much more. Read on for all the details.

On Monday, July 13, President Bateman will greet everyone at 2 p.m. at the Tate Modern for a private
90-minute tour. Tate Modern is the National Gallery of Modern and Contemporary Art and our tour is not
only a perfect starting point to delve into 20th century art—a period that saw a proliferation of different artistic
movements and styles—but also a wonderfully stimulating challenge to the way we traditionally think about
the modern world. Later that day we will travel by coach for a private reception and dinner in the elegant Long
Drawing Room at Dartmouth House, home of the English-Speaking Union. The Long Drawing Room has
ornate ceilings incorporating the crest of the Dartmouth Family. The room displays landscapes by S.H. Baker,
Sir Alfred East, Edward Reginald Frampton and Benjamin West. Important visitors to the house have included
Queen Elizabeth II, Eleanor Roosevelt, Mrs. Churchill, and numerous foreign diplomats.

On Tuesday, July 14, we will begin on Chancery Lane at the London Silver Vaults with a private lecture and
tour. Later in the day there will be time to tour the National Gallery of London at your own pace or to explore
another part of this magnificent city. The highlight of our time in London will take place in the evening after
the National Gallery closes. With the kind permission of the trustees and director of the National Gallery, we
will enjoy a private reception and cocktail buffet at the Gallery. Specific exhibition rooms will remain open,
and lecturers will offer tours of the private rooms.

On Wednesday, July 15, we will enjoy a festive two-hour lunch cruise on the River Thames. In the afternoon
we will gather at the hotel for a traditional English Afternoon Tea service which includes traditional items such
as scones and savories, as well as Rosé Champagne & French strawberries. To conclude this perfect three-day
excursion, we will enjoy a theatre performance in London’s West End. Historically, the West End has been
linked to the theatre for hundreds of years. Since the opening of the first West End venue on Drury Lane in
1663, locals and visitors have flocked to “Theatreland” to be entertained by the highest level of live perfor-
mance. Picture yourself in the best seats in the theatre watching *Mousetrap, Phantom of the Opera* or perhaps
a more contemporary performance. The performance will be selected in February.

We will be staying at the magnificent Marylebone Hotel London in the very heart of the English capital. This
splendid hotel is a short walk from the buzzing Oxford Street and the trendy districts of Bond Street, Hyde Park,
and Soho.
Information on the places we will visit

Tate Modern
This powerhouse of modern art is awe-inspiring even before you enter, thanks to its industrial architecture. Inside, the original cavernous Turbine Hall provides a jaw-dropping effect as the home of large-scale, temporary installations. The permanent collection features artists such as Matisse, Rothko, Bacon, Twombly, and Beuys.

Dartmouth House
Dartmouth House, home of the English-Speaking Union, is an elegant mansion set in the heart of London’s Mayfair. It will provide the perfect setting for our reception and dinner. The original building, constructed in the 16th century, was converted by Lord Revelstoke in the late 19th century, into a beautiful townhouse with many elegant and historic features.

The London Silver Vaults
What is now the London Silver Vaults originally opened as the Chancery Lane Safe Deposit Company in 1876, renting strong rooms where Londoners could safeguard their household silver, jewelry, and personal documents. The original building was damaged by bombs during World War II. It was rebuilt to house retail units, at the request of many of the silver dealers who had previously rented space there, and opened in its present configuration in 1953. As knowledge of the Vaults’ shops began to spread, they became a “must” for both British and international visitors who came to buy quality antique English silver at competitive prices. It houses over 30 specialty shops.

National Gallery
Founded in 1824 to display a collection of just 36 paintings, the National Gallery today is home to more than 2,000 works. There are masterpieces from virtually every European school of art, including many famous works, such as van Eyck’s Arnolfini Portrait, Velázquez’s Rokeby Venus, Turner’s Fighting Temeraire and Van Gogh’s Sunflowers. You will find Men of the Docks on Level 2, Room 45 alongside paintings by Paul Cézanne, Vincent van Gogh, and Henri Rousseau.

Exclusive, After Hours, Private Reception and Cocktail Buffet at the National Gallery
With the kind permission of the trustees and director of the National Gallery, we will enjoy an exclusive, private two-hour reception at the National Gallery in Trafalgar Square. The Museum will be closed at this time, but we will be provided a private viewing of four gallery rooms with a lecturer during the reception. This will allow the group to view Men of the Docks in the context of the National Gallery’s collection.

River Thames Cruise and Luncheon
We will enjoy a relaxed mini-voyage through the heart of London while we feast on a delicious luncheon. To accompany your meal, the fully stocked bar is certain to have something to tempt your palette. When finished with your dessert, you may take a stroll on deck to round off your day on the river. This cruise lasts nearly two hours, which gives you plenty of time to enjoy both the view and the company!

Afternoon Tea
Dine on finger sandwiches, a selection of scones, homemade preserves, clotted cream, French pastries, Rosé champagne, and French strawberries.

Evening Theatre in London
Transportation to and from the hotel will be provided to the Theatre. The performance has not yet been selected. If you prefer to see one of the longest running shows or something more contemporary, please share your preferences by the end of January. We will go as a group. This event will conclude our London trip with President Bateman.
Housing
London’s finest urban resort, The Marylebone Hotel, provides boutique style and intimacy in the heart of the Marylebone district. It has managed to retain a charming, village feel that you’ll find nowhere else in this great city. It is only a short walk from Oxford Street, Mayfair, and Paddington. Guest rooms provide elegance and comfort complemented by a state-of-the-art health club, which includes an 18-metre pool, and a relaxing spa. Guests of the Marylebone Hotel may enjoy the use of the gym, sauna, steam room, Jacuzzi and dance studio. Other amenities at the hotel include a top-quality bar and restaurant where you can enjoy a delicious meal of locally sourced produce or a relaxing drink. The Marylebone Hotel has recently been refurbished to a high standard reflecting the chic trendiness of the surrounding area. The ambience of luxury and decadence is reflected in the stylish Parisian furnishings and fine Italian ceramics throughout the hotel. In the splendid ensuite rooms, guests have a range of facilities including Wi-Fi internet access and a flat-screen TV.

Meals
The following meals are included in the all-inclusive fee:
• Continental breakfast at the Marylebone Hotel on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday
• A reception and dinner on Monday evening at Dartmouth House
• An elegant private reception and cocktail buffet at the National Gallery on Tuesday
• A river cruise lunch and an afternoon tea on Wednesday

Cost
The cost of the trip is $2700 for single occupancy and $2200 per person for double occupancy. This price includes:
• The meals listed above
• A room at Marylebone Hotel July 13-15
• Private tours and lectures at Tate Modern, London Silver Vaults, and the National Gallery
• A ticket for the river cruise and a theatre ticket
• Coach transportation to and from the hotel to Dartmouth House, National Gallery reception, and the Theatre.
This cost does not include your expenses related to traveling to or from London or transportation not listed above. There is a cab service at the hotel, so those who wish to travel together may share the costs of rides for some events.

Deposit
Please register and pay the deposit of $300 per person by January 15. Because the College will be incurring certain expenses based on your reservation, this deposit is non-refundable. Full payment for this London trip must be received by May 1.

We hope you will be able to join us for this exciting trip! Please contact the Office with any questions.

Best wishes,
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Registration Form for London, England  
July 13-15, 2015

To register for London with President Bateman, please return this form by January 15 to the Office of Alumnae and Alumni, Randolph College, 2500 Rivermont Avenue, Lynchburg, Virginia 24503, 434-947-8102, FAX 434-947-8282, or e-mail hgarnett@randolphcollege.edu
A $300 per person, non-refundable deposit is due with the registration. Final payment is due by May 1, 2015. Make checks payable to Randolph College.

Name (include maiden) ____________________________________________________________

Name as it should appear on nametag ____________________________________________ Class __________

Address ________________________________________________________________________

Home Phone ________________________________ Office Phone __________________________

Cell Phone ________________________________ E-mail ________________________________

Accompanied by ________________________________
(name as it should appear on nametag)

Roommate Preference ____________________________________________________________

Theatre preference:
Long running show or contemporary?
Would you prefer drama, comedy, or a musical?
(please circle preferences)

☐ To Charge Your $300 deposit, please circle Mastercard, Visa, or American Express and fill out the information requested, or you may call the office with your credit card information.

Name on Card ___________________________ Card Number ___________________________
Exp. Date ___________ 3 digit Code on back ___________

This itinerary is subject to minor changes.