



# *Garrick's Temple to Shakespeare*



FACILITIES AND TERMS  
FOR PRIVATE HIRE

## BACKGROUND

In 1756, David Garrick (1717-1779), the greatest actor-manager in the history of the British stage, built in his garden alongside the Thames at Hampton, a Temple to his hero William Shakespeare. This magnificent Grade I Palladian building has Ionic pillars, a domed roof and long windows overlooking the Thames.

Inside is a splendid exhibition of Garrick's life and work. This includes a full size copy of Roubiliac's great statue of Shakespeare, and over 60 prints and reproductions of paintings by Gainsborough, Reynolds, Hogarth, Zoffany and other major contemporary artists. The Temple and garden has been fully restored, and the interior has recently been redecorated.

## USE OF TEMPLE FOR PRIVATE EVENTS

In recent years, the Temple has been used for many different sorts of private events. These include:-

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETINGS

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BUSINESS PARTIES AND/ OR RECEPTIONS

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GARDEN PARTIES

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MEMORIAL EVENTS

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POST-WEDDING RECEPTIONS

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NAMING CEREMONIES

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TICKETED CHAMBER CONCERTS

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AMATEUR DRAMATICS

## FACILITIES

The Temple has a fine wooden floor, and is heated all year round. While normal access is via the 18th Century steps (see photo on front page), a horizontal ramp provides safe and easy access for the elderly or disabled.

The neighbouring loggia houses a toilet (suitable for the disabled), a fully equipped kitchen with fridge, oven, microwave etc., and a small exhibition area. Tables, 50 chairs, crockery and cutlery are available if required. Arrangements can be made to hire marquees, musical apparatus, microphones etc (costed separately).



*Photo courtesy Peter Bucknall*

## ACCESS AND PARKING

The Temple is situated on the A308 at Hampton. Trains run regularly from Waterloo via Wimbledon to Hampton or Hampton Court. The following buses stop opposite the Temple: R68 (Richmond to Hampton Court), 111 (Kingston to Heathrow), 216 (Kingston to Staines), 267 (Hammersmith to Hampton Court). Cars cannot be parked on the A308 near the Temple, but can be left where indicated in High St., Church St., or elsewhere in the vicinity.

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## RATES FOR PRIVATE HIRE

|          | First hour | Subsequent hours | Minimum Charge |
|----------|------------|------------------|----------------|
| Weekdays | £120       | £90              | £210           |
| Weekends | £180       | £120             | £300           |

Note: The Temple is not available for hire on Sunday afternoons from April to October inclusive (when it is open to the public) or when any other special event is already scheduled.

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## TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR PRIVATE HIRE OF TEMPLE

- One or two Trust volunteers will be present at all events.
- 10% non refundable deposit required when booking is confirmed.
- Cheques payable to Garrick's Temple to Shakespeare Trust.
- No smoking or dancing permitted. No red wine allowed in the Temple.
- Hirers will be responsible for any damage to the buildings or contents.

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## FURTHER INFORMATION/ BOOKING

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