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Dear Members and Friends,

My best wishes to all our readers, whether Members, family or friends of the Anglo-Danish Society. I hope that you are enjoying what has been a rather typical, old-fashioned English summer at the time of writing, with its mixture of sunshine and warm rain!

In this, our Centenary Year, we received the welcome news that His Majesty King Charles III had agreed to be our Patron, following a year-long review of Patronages by Buckingham Palace, where some 200 organisations were removed from the royal list. Later, we were just as thrilled to be told that His Majesty King Frederik X had also accepted our Patronage after a similar review of Patronages by Amalienborg Palace that saw a reduction of almost 50% of their royal list. We are therefore very fortunate to have our two Royal Patrons, particularly as we are now a relatively small organisation. However, it is satisfying to know that our work to improve relations between Britain and Denmark continues to be recognised and, in particular, that our charitable Scholarship Programme is an obvious investment in the talented youth of our two great countries.

However, with such privilege comes a level of responsibility, particularly as the Danish Royal Household has applied a quinquennial review on all of their Patronages and we cannot take anything for granted. We must continue to work hard on what we do for the Anglo-Danish community, reinforcing that which we do well and thinking of new ways to improve the offer to our members, scholars and potential new recruits. I know that the increased cooperation recently developed with our Anglo-Nordic friends, the Anglo-Finnish Society, the Anglo-Norse Society and the Anglo-Swedish Society, is one such initiative that has received much support and praise. Of course, we rely entirely on the work of our volunteers on the Council and it is a never-ending task to encourage members to come forward and play their part in the management of the Society. Without new Council members who are willing to give some of their time to help, particularly for a critical role such as Treasurer, then things will quickly become a problem.

The year's events so far have all been interesting, varied and well-attended and we are looking forward to the rest of the annual programme. Of course, the highlight is the Centenary Gala Dinner at Drapers' Hall on 6 December. As I write, ticket sales are going extremely well and I am sure that we will have a full house on the night. Council Members are all busy organising the evening and arranging the myriad of things that need to get done in order for it all to go smoothly. I am confident that it will be both an enjoyable and memorable occasion for everyone attending, so do sign up if you have not already done so. We have also launched a Centenary Appeal, so please give generously.

I look forward to seeing you all at an event soon and especially the Centenary Gala Dinner.

Wayne Harber
Chairman

Centenary Appeal

2024 is the Centenary of the Anglo-Danish Society. It was founded 100 years ago to further relations between our two nations and is at the centre of the Anglo-Danish community, providing a wide-ranging annual programme of news and events that celebrates both cultures and appeals to a wide group of people who are interested in Anglo-Danish matters. Its membership is concentrated in London and the South East but it has members in Denmark, the rest of Europe and around the globe. It collaborates with other Danish organisations, and the main Anglo-Nordic groups, on events of mutual interest. To mark such a significant anniversary, we are celebrating the Centenary with a Gala Dinner on Friday 6th December at Drapers' Hall in the City of London, that will be a very special occasion.

We have supported education since 1959 and our investment in the youth of our two countries continues today with its charitable Scholarship Programme that provides financial support to British and Danish post-graduate students with scholarships worth £3,500 each. This funding support makes a real difference to the Scholars by enabling research and facilitating a broader educational experience beyond a curriculum.

The Society relies entirely on the work and commitment of its volunteers, with no paid staff, no overheads and minimal administrative costs. To be able to continue supporting our community we need your help

News

NEW MEMBERS

We welcome the following new members to the Anglo-Danish Society:

Ms Lillian Li & Mr Ben Walker
Mr Hugo Walker
Mr Leif Tarp & Mrs Frederique Dupont
Mr & Mrs Astrid & Dan Roworth
Mr & Mrs Kathleen & Geoff Nicholl
Mr Matthew Willis
Mr Nicholas McCluskey
Ms Betina Andersen
Mr & Mrs Rikke Herskind Hansen & Rasmus Fuglsig
Mr Glenn Bushell
Ms Polly Davis
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and any donations, regardless of the amount, will be gratefully received. However, if you are able to donate more than £200, we will include your name in the Gala Dinner Souvenir Programme in recognition of your generosity.

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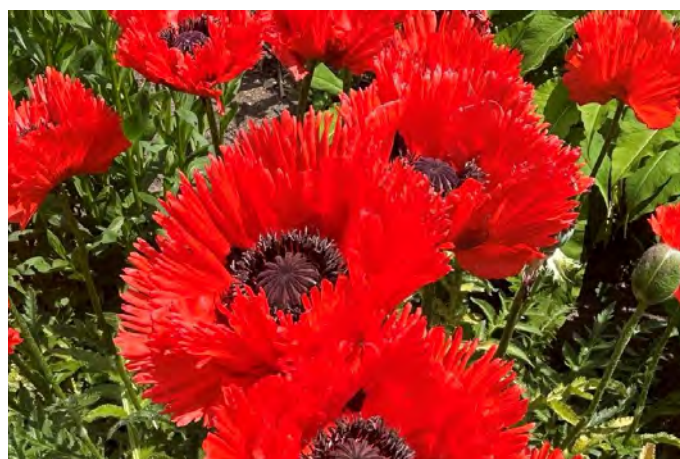
Wayne Harber, Chairman

DECEASED

We are very sorry to report the deaths of:

Mr Svend Aage Jensen
Mr Oscar M. Lewisohn, R1
Mr Jørgen Nielsen

May they all rest in peace.



New Scholars 2024-2025

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS CONTINUE TO ROLL IN

Our Scholarship Programme continues to attract a fair number of students as was evident from the rise in applications we received this year: 30 against last year's 21, an increase of nine. What's more, the applications we received were of an extremely high standard in a wide variety of disciplines.

Following an initial sift, 21 candidates were put forward to the Scholarship Committee for their consideration. As usual, our discussions were comprehensive and thorough.

We had ten awards to disburse this year, including one award sponsored by the Ove Arup Foundation and another sponsored by William Charnley.



OUR QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S SCHOLARSHIP FOR EXCELLENCE WENT TO SINA AHMADZEI WHO WILL BE STUDYING FOR AN MSc IN CLINICAL MEDICINE AT OXFORD'S TRANSLATIONAL PLEURAL LABORATORY, NUFFIELD DEPARTMENT OF MEDICINE.



OUR SPECIAL CENTENARY AWARD WENT TO PRISCA VILSBØL WHO WILL BE STUDYING FOR AN MA/MSc IN INNOVATION DESIGN ENGINEERING AT THE ROYAL COLLEGE OF ART & IMPERIAL COLLEGE.

Our other general awards went to:-



MIKAELLA TY NGO FOR AN MSc IN NEUROSCIENCE AT OXFORD



CIORSTAIHD CHAIMBEUL (KIRSTY CAMPBELL) – FOR A MASTER'S IN MUSIC PERFORMANCE IN CLASSICAL ACCORDION, AT THE DANISH ACADEMY



RASMUS ANDERSEN – FOR A MASTER OF PERFORMANCE IN CELLO AT THE ROYAL COLLEGE OF MUSIC

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SOFIE NIELSEN – FOR A MASTERS IN GENDER & DEVELOPMENT IN SUSSEX



THE RECIPIENT OF THE OVE ARUP SCHOLARSHIP AWARD FOR STUDIES IN THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT IS KATIE HEYWOOD WHO IS WILL BE STUDYING FOR A PhD AT THE ROYAL DANISH ACADEMY OF ARCHITECTURE IN COPENHAGEN.



TOBIAS THOMSEN – FOR A PhD IN CLINICAL NEUROSCIENCES AT OXFORD.



THE RECIPIENT OF THE WILLIAM CHARNLEY ANGLO-DANISH SOCIETY SCHOLARSHIP IS MARCUS NUÑEZ SENECA WHO IS TAKING AN MPhil AT HUGHES HALL, CAMBRIDGE IN EDUCATION (KNOWLEDGE, POWER & POLITICS).



KRISTIAN PARIS FOR AN MSc IN POLITICAL THEORY AT LSE

Congratulations to all our recipients! We look forward to following their career development and to hearing how Anglo-Danish Scholarship funding has benefitted their studies.

Katie Schwarck
Hon. Scholarship Secretary &
Chair of Scholarship Committee

Nordic Societies' Midsummer Lunch

On Monday 24 June, as part of our Nordic cooperation initiative with the Anglo-Finnish Society, the Anglo-Norse Society and the Anglo-Swedish Society, we held a joint Midsummer lunch at Lincoln's Inn. The weather could not have been more suitable with glorious sunshine as we all gathered on the patio at the Members' Common Room (MCR) for a pre-lunch drinks reception. This was a marvellous opportunity for us all to mix and meet new people from our other Nordic Societies, as well as some familiar faces from previous events.

After drinks, we all moved to the Great Hall for a 3-course lunch. The food and the service were excellent and it was a pleasure to be in such beautiful surroundings together. The Anglo-Finnish Society had volunteered to lead on the event and our sincere thanks go to their Secretary, Antti de Ruano, who did a first class job in making the arrangements and in ensuring that it all went well on the day. It was a real success and we are looking forward to the next such event together.

Wayne Harber
Chairman



PHOTO : JOHN HULIN

Obituary: Oscar Max Lewisohn, R1

It was with great sadness that we learned of the death of Oscar Lewisohn on 18 March aged 85. He was a leading figure in the Anglo-Danish community and a very supportive member of the Society.

Oscar combined traits of his Danish origins with those of over six decades living in the UK. He had a deep loyalty to family and friends, particularly those in Denmark, and was open about his escape with his family from occupied Denmark to Sweden in 1943 when he was 5 years old. In August of that year, Nazi Germany demanded that Danish Jews be extradited and sent to concentration camps. In the following month the family made their escape, hiding aboard a boat for 12 hours from Gilleleje to Falsterbo near Malmo, that included the ship being checked twice by the Gestapo. The Lewisohn family returned to Denmark in June 1945.

Oscar felt that this experience imposed responsibility and he was committed to supporting Danish interests. In an interview for the Danish Church magazine in 2020 he said: **"WE MUST REMEMBER THE NAZI OCCUPATION AND THE GERMAN CAPITULATION TO ENSURE THAT HISTORY DOES NOT REPEAT ITSELF."**

Oscar trained in commerce and banking in Denmark, the UK and the US. In 1962 he met on a cruise to Israel his first wife, Louisa, daughter of Henry Grunfeld, one of the architects of the banking house, S G Warburg & Co. They married, moved to London and he joined S G Warburg's foreign exchange department. Over the next three decades he rose to become Deputy Chairman, having scrupulous attention to detail, disciplined planning and extreme caution over upholding confidentiality – as well as a passion for politics.



Oscar's other interests included the arts and especially music, for which his Wimbledon home was turned into a scene of great concerts under the expert guidance of his wife, Margaret, whom he married in 1987 after Louisa died in 1985. Many of us have attended the excellent performances of the Marryat Players at this wonderful venue.

Oscar was charming and great company while also being a generous supporter of the Society and the wider Anglo-Danish community and he will be greatly missed by us all. Our sincere condolences and best wishes go to his widow Margaret and all of the family.

Wayne Harber, Chairman

Danish Christmas Bazaar 2024

For two days The Danish YWCA's big Victorian villa in Hampstead will be turned into a 'smorgasbord' of all the best Denmark can offer. The perfect chance for curious Londoners to add lots of Danish flavours to their Christmas celebrations by stocking up on Danish Christmas goodies and decorations.

There will even be an authentic Danish hot-dog stall. In the restaurant you can buy original Danish open sandwiches and there will of course also be Æbleskiver and Gløgg to keep you warm. At the many gift stalls you can treat yourself or a loved one to a Danish design classic. A great day out with the Danes and lots of HYGGE GUARANTEED!

Saturday, 23rd November from 11am till 5pm
Sunday, 24th November from 11am til 4pm

Entrance: £2

DANISH CHRISTMAS MARKET
THE DANISH YWCA
43 MARESFIELD GARDENS
LONDON NW3 5TF

Nearest tube: Finchley Road or Hampstead.
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100th AGM & Ambassador's Reception

Thank you to those who attended our 100th AGM & the Ambassador's reception on Tuesday, 14th May 2024. A special thank you to HE René Dinesen, the Danish Ambassador, for hosting this event as well as for his continued support.

The event was well attended and naturally, we were pleased to see you all - and it looked as if everyone had a great time. We were delighted to be able to announce that His Majesty King Charles III is our new Patron. It means a lot to us as a Society – especially in our Centenary Year. Consequently, we celebrated the excellent news with a toast to HM and a delicious strawberry sponge cake.



We were also pleased to introduce you to our new Honorary Vice President, Kate Sanderson, the Head of Representation of the Faroe Islands in the UK, as well as some of our scholars (both current and former scholars).



This year's Certificate of Merit was awarded to Alan Davey, our Honorary Treasurer, for taking on the mantle as Treasurer yet again shortly after having retired to the back benches at last year's AGM.

A couple of weeks after our AGM, we were delighted to find out that His Majesty King Frederik X of Denmark had also agreed to be our Patron. Consequently, we are honoured to have two Royal Patrons again.

Lone Mohr Curtis
Hon. Secretary



100th AGM & Ambassador's Reception



PHOTOS: ANDREW CURTIS

Commemorative Plaque for Montgomery



It is a curious thing that the man who was so lauded in the Danish Capital, is so absent from the many memorial sites of the city. To be fair, the British Embassy did much to rectify this error in the 1990s, putting up a commemorative plaque for 'Monty' at the Resistance Museum. Yet, after the museum fire in 2013, the plaque was not re-erected. At the unveiling at Langelineskuret in May, museum director Gry Scavenius was able to affirm the continued existence of the earlier plaque. Perhaps it is time for the museum to dust it off and take it out of the archive. The eightieth years anniversary of the liberation is coming up, and Montgomery will be none the worse off for having two commemorative sites in the Danish capital.

The ceremony at Langelineskuret was a festive treat with salmon sandwiches, prosecco, and an acappella choir singing It's a long way to Tipperary, Den Tapre Landsoldat and The Andrew Sisters' Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy. The Karberghus historian, Anni Haahr Henriksen, gave a short lecture on Langelineskuret, its many roles during the Second World War and the importance of Montgomery as a heroic figure in Danish Culture after the war.



Sunday 12th of May 2024: The historical harbour front of Langelinie was bathed in sunshine as it welcomed anglophones and local history enthusiasts to partake in the unveiling of a commemorative plaque for 'Danmarks Befrier': Field Marshal Bernard Law Montgomery. The ceremony was arranged by Karberghus, a private company that owns the iconic 135-year-old building Langelineskuret on which the commemorative plaque is now hung.

The exact location of the plaque was chosen from old photographs found in the archives of Frihedsmuseet (Museum of the Danish Resistance). The photographs document Montgomery's festive celebratory Copenhagen tour on May 12 in 1945. On this day, Montgomery was lauded through the streets of Copenhagen. At Amalienborg, the Field Marshal received Storkommandørkorset and continued on to Langelinie where the British Marine were docked. Here the celebrating crowd cheered him from the promenade on the roof of Langelineskuret, while Montgomery addressed the Danish freedom fighters and the British Marine. During this address Montgomery stood on the raised platform running along the façade of Langelineskuret and it is on this spot that the plaque has been hung.



Grandchild of the celebrated freedom fighter Ole Lippmann, Mikkel Lippmann, unveiled the commemorative plaque and reminisced on the many stories about Monty and the war his grandfather had shared with him. After tea and biscuits, the guests were invited to take to the microphone if they wanted to share a

Commemorative Plaque for Montgomery

memory or story about Montgomery, Langelinieskuret or the Liberation. Many did. Some had met Montgomery and one had served him often at Harrow Hill where the field marshal was a frequent guest. The commemorative plaque now hangs on the seaside façade of Langelinieskuret. For now, the copper plaque is red, but in time it will become a beautiful green colour, informing every inquisitive eye of the historical significance of the site for generations to come.

A more detailed description of the building and its uses in WW2 is found in *Bevar Værdierne: Langelinieskuret*. This book on the history of Langelinieskuret is published by Karberghus and it is available at the Karberghus website and in *Bogladen ved Sørerne*, Østerbrogade 54, 2100 Kbh Ø.

Anni Haahr Henriksen, PhD
Karberghus.dk



FROM LEFT: BOB COBLEY (COMMONWEALTH WAR GRAVES COMMISSION), ANDREAS KARBERG (CEO KARBERGHUS), MIKKEL LIPPMANN (GRANDCHILD OF RESISTANCE FIGHTER OLE LIPPMANN) ANDREA KARBERG AND ANNI HAAHR HENRIKSEN (HISTORIAN FOR KARBERGHUS).

'Beating Retreat'



PHOTO : LONE MOHR CURTIS

'BEATING RETREAT', A MILITARY MUSICAL SPECTACULAR 'CELEBRATION', AT HORSE GUARDS

It was a lovely July evening when some of our members and fellow Scandinavian Society members enjoyed a brilliant evening of pageantry at 'Beating Retreat' at Horse Guards organised by the Household Division, including music, horses and even pyrotech-

tics - not to mention sunshine. The 80th anniversary of D-Day was commemorated in an impressive manner, but we also celebrated British sporting successes and rock music, so there was something for everyone.

Lone Mohr Curtis
Hon. Secretary

Recent Royal events and other highlights

Our Society has been involved with a significant number of royal events over the years, in addition to us having royal guests at many of our own major events. In recent years, this has mainly been our Royal Patrons and the Protector of our Scholarship Programme, HRH the Duchess of Gloucester, on significant occasions such as our anniversaries.

As you all know, we enjoyed the privilege of both Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth's and Her Majesty Queen Margrethe's Patronages for decades and we are now in the fortunate situation of their sons, His Majesty King Charles and His Majesty King Frederik, continuing that tradition after them.

During the last 25 years, we have celebrated our 75th anniversary at the London Guildhall in 1999, had a Danish state visit by HM Queen Margrethe and Prince Henrik in February 2000, in 2002 a few Council members were invited to a Garden Party at Buckingham Palace, in 2012 the Royal Yacht Dannebrog was moored at Canary Wharf, London, during the Olympics, in June 2016 Her Late Majesty's 90th birthday was celebrated at a picnic at the Mall where a few of our members were present.



In December 2014 we held a Royal Banquet for 235 guests at Drapers' Hall in celebration of our 90th anniversary where HM Queen Margrethe as well as TRH the Duke and Duchess of Gloucester were Guests of Honour.

In 2019 we celebrated the 60th anniversary of our Scholarship Programme and a few Council members were invited to a Garden Party at Buckingham Palace. In December that year, we hosted a Royal Banquet at Drapers' Hall where HM Queen Margrethe and HRH the Duchess of Gloucester were the Guests of Honour. In 2022, we celebrated both the Platinum Jubilee of Her Late Majesty and HM Queen Margrethe's Golden Jubilee. In June 2022 the 'Party at the Palace' (a huge televised concert) took place in front of Buckingham Palace in celebration of Her Late Majesty's Platinum Jubilee and we were given a couple of tickets.



And most recently, in May 2024, our Honorary Treasurer and myself plus our spouses were invited to a Garden Party at Buckingham Palace on the invitation of HRH the Duchess of Gloucester. We had a truly outstanding experience, as we were presented to Her Royal Highness, who kindly took the time to have a nice chat with us in the pouring rain. Sadly, we didn't see as much of the absolutely beautiful gardens as we would have liked, but we did see the Rose Garden, which is believed to have been Her Late Majesty's favourite part of the garden – and it didn't disappoint.

Now we are all looking forward immensely to our Centenary Gala Dinner on Friday, 6th December 2024 at Drapers' Hall, which will be the main event in celebration of our Centenary Year. Hopefully one or both of our new Royal Patrons, as well as HRH the Duchess of Gloucester, will be in attendance as our Guests of Honour.

Lone Mohr Curtis
Hon. Secretary



The Opera Park



PHOTO COURTESY OF COPENHAGEN DRONE

In October 2023 a new park named “Operaparken” was inaugurated next to the Copenhagen Opera. The new Opera Park was donated by the A.P. Moller Foundation and the park covers a 21.500 sq.m. area.

The Opera Park is a modern romantic oasis in the middle of Copenhagen Harbour. The Greenhouse is centrally located in the park with a café and toilet facilities. Beneath the park is a two-storey car park for Opera House guests and the public.

The Opera Park’s diversity of plant species and their colourful arrangement is a tribute to The Opera House. The planting scheme consists of 600 trees, 80,000 perennials and 40,000 bulbs. The Park is composed as a scene that plays out in colours and shapes where landscape and vegetation create foreground, middle



PHOTO : PALLE BAGGESGAARD PEDERSEN

ground, and background.

The trees are at their highest where they create the background and their lowest in the foreground out towards the harbour. Each changing season gives rise to a new setting around The Opera House. From springtime, when the building is flanked by a verdant, flowering park of a variety of colours, to autumn, when shades of vibrant red and yellow create a striking and eye-catching scenery. The park’s rich diversity of plants provides an excellent environment for birds and insects.



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Numerous trees form a leafy canopy above the park’s winding pathways and organically shaped beds. The trees are composed of species from across the entire world as a nod to seeds that arrived by ship to Copenhagen Harbour in bygone times. The park is divided into six gardens: The English Garden, The Nordic Wood, The North American Wood, The Oriental Garden, The Danish Oak Wood, and the subtropical wood in the Greenhouse.

Hidden among the various gardens are surprises such as a fountain, a lily pond, and a reflecting pool where drops of water fall from a mast onto the pool surface in a soothing rhythm. Specimen trees are situated in chosen sites in the various gardens. These trees are particularly sculpturesque species that, because of their structure, foliage, and colour, are suitable for a specific spot in a clearing of each garden.

In the heart of the park is an organically shaped greenhouse which connects to the underground car park via a large, open atrium with abundant plant life.

The park boasts three large recreational lawns that offer clear views through the park.

Since its opening the park has been awarded several international landscape and park prizes. The Opera Park is definitely worth a visit.

Centenary Lifetime Membership Offer

CHANGES TO ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION CHARGES & CENTENARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP OFFER

Membership subscriptions are an important source of revenue to enable the Society to function and support our Scholarship Scheme.

In 1924 the annual membership was £1, equivalent to £76 today. The current annual subscription rates of £40 (Family) & £25 (Individual) £200 (corporate) have not changed since 2016.

At the AGM on 14th May 2024 it was agreed to increase annual subscriptions with effect from 1st January 2025 to £50 (Family) & £30 (Individual) and Corporate annual subscription to £250.

IF YOU PAY BY STANDING ORDER IT WILL BE NECESSARY FOR YOU TO AMEND YOUR ANNUAL PAYMENTS TO THE NEW RATES FROM 1ST JANUARY 2025.

It was also agreed to offer a Centenary Lifetime Membership for £500 (Family) or £300 (Individual).

The Centenary Lifetime Membership application is only available until the end of 2024 provided that payment is either made in FULL by 1st January 2025 or by two instalments, 50% made no later than 1st January 2025 and the balance no later than 1st July 2025.

If you would like to take up Centenary Lifetime Membership you will need to cancel any standing order for annual payments and make a direct payment to the Society's bank:



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hon.membershipsecretary@anglo-danishsociety.org.uk

We are very grateful for your continued support - thank you!

A Garden to Commemorate Queen Elizabeth II

The Royal Parks charity recently announced that planning permission has been granted for a new garden within Regent's Park, which will commemorate the life of Queen Elizabeth II.

Work is now underway to transform a disused plant nursery in the heart of The Regent's Park into a beautiful two-acre garden, which is set to open in 2026, to mark what would have been the late Queen's centenary year.

The garden, designed by HTA Design LLP and their team including Horticulturalist Dr Noel Kingsbury and Tate + Co architects, will complement nearby historic gardens within the park, drawing inspiration from their design principles while introducing innovative sustaina-

bility practices. Key features of the garden will include a circular pond enhancing wildlife habitats, a central promenade with an accessible platform over the pond, and a vibrant flower garden showcasing species significant to the late Queen.

The new garden will significantly boost biodiversity in the park and will feature diverse habitats such as nectar-rich planting, meadows, woodlands, and hedgerows with climate-resilient plants to attract wildlife, such as invertebrates and pollinators.

Sustainable practices will guide the garden's development, such as reusing steel from the former nursery greenhouses to create elements of the new pergola and repurposed water tower.

An Anglo-Danish "ARKITEKT" in the making

My name is Will Barker, and I was awarded the 2023 Ove Arup Scholarship from the Anglo-Danish Society. Last month, I graduated as an "arkitekt" from the Aarhus School of Architecture, Denmark. I arrived in Aarhus in September 2022, having taken my undergraduate degree in Architecture in the University of Liverpool, with an exchange semester at the University of Newcastle, in Australia. From 2020, I spent two years working as part of the team at AtkinsRealis in London and Bristol. I have constantly tried to use my studies and work in architecture to explore and adventure around the world, which led me to studying, living and completely falling in love with Aarhus.

Having visited Denmark as a child, I had always wanted to study and live in the country, and upon visiting the Aarhus School of Architecture for the first time, I was struck by the talent and warmth of the students and staff at the school. It very much felt like home, and as I got to know the city through the lens of being a foreign student, I was captivated. Over the last two years, I have benefited from a series of incredible tutors, as well as working alongside extremely talented students from across Denmark and the wider world. The working culture, the quality facilities and desire to constantly improve marked my time at the school, and upon graduating, it is something I will sorely miss.



In my final semester, I completed my master thesis, titled "The Embers of Imber : Reparative Constructs of Storytelling". My thesis project sought to investigate the deeply woven stories of the site of Imber Village, Wiltshire - before constructing a series of architectural interventions, that liberate each story, to create a new place where strange realities can be experienced.

Imber is home to many weird realities. It is a popular tourist attraction and warfare training base, a wildlife refuge full of tanks, and a home to an immaculate church with no congregation. My thesis aimed to explore why we should enhance and encourage the weird stories that we find, instead of seeking to homogenise them, turn it into pastiche or to hide them completely. The project does this through three concrete actions: retelling, repairing and rehabilitating. Through five interlinked interventions, the site can grow into an incremental place with new meanings.



Above is an image of my work, that was shown during my final exam.

The thesis semester was incredibly challenging but rewarding, and required a huge amount of time spent drawing, designing, modelling, presenting and critiquing. I was able to spend as much time as I would have liked on the project, thanks to the generous support of the Anglo-Danish Society, whose contribution allowed me to focus purely on my studies. I was also able to start taking Danish lessons thanks to the support from the A-D Society, which I will aim to use more and more as I move into the world of work.

As I transition from Master's student to the world of work, my next aim is to seek a role as an arkitekt within Denmark or Scandinavia, to further learn the necessary skills, both personally, and professionally that will enhance my abilities as an arkitekt and designer. Having fallen in love with Denmark, its people and (sometimes) its weather, I am really excited to start the next chapter of my life and career.

If you would like to hear more about my thesis project, or to get in contact with me regarding any potential work, please don't hesitate to contact me on willbarkerarkitekt@gmail.com

Will Barker

Notes from the Future



Former Anglo-Danish Society Scholar, Janne Malmros, is part of an international group exhibition of members of the Royal Society of Sculptors. The exhibition is being shown at The Royal Overseas League Club in London from July 19 to September 22, 2024.

There are no restrictions on medium and subject matter, with the premise of the exhibition centred around the idea that each artwork must arrive at The Royal Overseas League either by post or digitally. As an exhibition of entirely mailable artworks, Notes from the Future is an ambitious and inventive play on traditional exhibition-making, that seeks to subvert the difficulties of international programming and strengthen cultural relationships across borders.

The three works exhibited by Janne Malmros are all created using makeup kindly sponsored by Lisa Eldridge. The work - a triptych - is in the form of a collage and mono screen prints.

Lie of the Land or Made Up is a series of works that look at the shape of country borders and the use of makeup historically. There is war paint as well as everyday, party and special effects makeup. Make up has also shaped the way of the world and the lie of the lands around it. Due to war and conflict borders have moved several times. Now and in time to come previous borders will remind us of the past and of how the future might be drawn up. Make up and looking the part have been ways to gain influence and play a part in diplomacy and culturally - on bigger and smaller stages across the world - and will continue to do so.

If you wish to visit the Exhibition please make a reservation at <https://rosl.org.uk/arts/visual-arts/>

New Book : Louis Poulsen : First House of Light

Author TF Chan and publishers Phaidon have recently published a beautiful book to mark the celebration of the 150th anniversary of one of the finest and most recognisable lighting companies, Louis Poulsen. Founded in Denmark in 1874 by Ludvig Raymond Poulsen, the original brand was transformed by the designer Poul Henningsen when he designed the iconic PH lamps. Since then, Louis Poulsen has worked with some of the world's most talented designers, from Arne Jacobsen to Vilhelm Wohlert. By delving into the company's rich history and archive, this book traces the fascinating story of a brand that has flourished over generations, creating a holistic celebration of one of the world's most distinctive lighting design houses. Featured throughout the book are designs by heavy-weight mid-century designers, such as Verner Panton and Arne Jacobsen, as well as some of the most crea-

tive contemporary designers working today including GamFratesi and Olafur Eliasson. Published to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the iconic Danish lighting company Louis Poulsen, the book includes more than 200 archival drawings and photographs, most of which have never been seen before.

Available from book shops and online.



Events



IN MEMORIAM – FALLEN DANES

WHEN: Sunday 8th September 2024

TIME: 11.00

WHERE: The Danish Church, St. Katharine's Precinct, Regents Park, London NW1

On September 8th there will be a special memorial service at the Danish Church. The service will be attended by representatives from the Danish Embassy, Danish Royal Guards in UK, the DK-UK Association and Anglo-Danish Society. Immediately after the service there will be a wreath laying by the memorial stone in the church garden. The memorial stone was raised in May 2023 and carries the Danish inscription:

TIL MINDE OM DEM DER MISTEDE LIVET
I TJENESTE FOR DANMARK

RAISED TO HONOUR ALL WHO PAID THE ULTIMATE
PRICE IN SERVICE TO DENMARK

The day is close to the Danish Flag Day 5th of September when Danish civil and uniformed services come together to remember those Danes who served their country in missions or conflicts abroad, at any time.

There will be coffee, tea and Danish pastries served after the ceremony. Everyone is welcome and no sign up needed.

EXPLORE THE CITY OF LONDON AND LEARN MORE ABOUT "A CHRISTMAS CAROL" BY CHARLES DICKENS

WHEN: Tuesday 8th October 2024

TIME: 11.00

WHERE: Bank Tube Station in front of the Royal Exchange

Our guided autumn walk with our usual guide, Grethe Hauge, will have a distinctively Dickensian theme, as Grethe will guide us around lots of places associated with Charles Dickens and tell us about his books – especially 'A Christmas Carol'.

After the walk, we would suggest a spot of lunch at the Counting House, which is very much like the 'money-changing hole' where Scrooge used to sit and count his money.

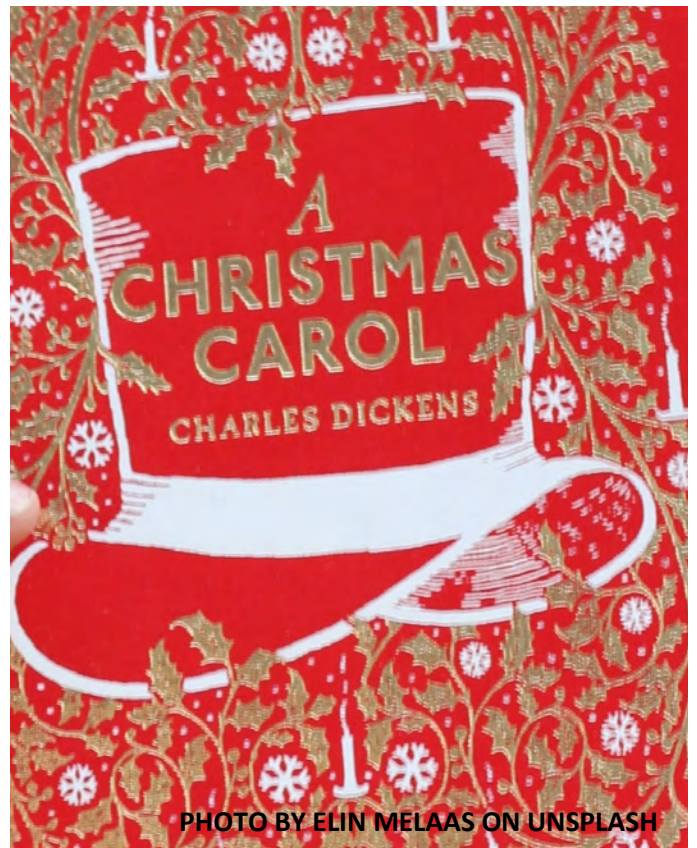


PHOTO BY ELIN MELAAS ON UNSPLASH

We'll meet up by Bank tube station in front of the Royal Exchange at 11am. The walk will take one and a half hours.

The price for this walking tour is £13 per person for members and £15 per person for non-members.

Grateful if you could sign up via e-mail to events@anglo-danishsociety.org.uk by 3rd October 2024 and indicate whether you'd like to stay for lunch afterwards, so we can make a booking.

Events



CENTENARY GALA DINNER

WHEN: Friday 6th December 2024

TIME: 18.00 - 23.00

WHERE: Drapers' Hall, Throgmorton Avenue, London EC2N 2DQ

We're very proud of our heritage and the impact that our Society has had on our community during the last 100 years and we intend to celebrate in style. Naturally, we'll also be toasting the future success of our Society, including our Scholarship Programme, for many more years to come.

This significant milestone will be celebrated by means of a Centenary Gala Dinner at Drapers' Hall and we would love to see you there. We are hopeful that one or more of our Royal Patrons as well as the Protector of our Scholarship Programme will be in attendance as our Guest(s) of Honour, too.

The doors open at 17.45 and upon arrival you will be met by several members of the Company of Pikemen & Musketeers, so the tone will be set from the outset.

We start off the evening by enjoying a champagne drinks reception before moving into the grand Livery Hall itself for a delicious 3-course dinner with wines not to mention the entertainment and speeches. Naturally, there will be an Anglo-Danish angle to the entertainment and we are extremely pleased to announce that this will include Drummers from the Danish Royal Life Guards.

The dress code will be Black Tie and decorations.

Tickets are now available to members and their guests. Tickets are £225 per person for members and £240 per person for guests. Please sign up via e-mail to events@anglo-danishsociety.org.uk and remember to let us know of any dietary requirements. Payments for this event should be made by bank transfer to our account: Sort Code: 55-70-13, account number: 78325285. Please use your name and the event as references for your payment.

Cancellation policy: Please note that no refunds will be available after 20th October 2024.



Events



WALKING TOUR AT GREENWICH

WHEN: Thursday 3rd April 2025

TIME: 11.00

WHERE: Docklands Light Railway stop called Cutty Sark

We've asked Grethe Hauge, our usual guide, to take us on one of her popular walking tours. This time we'll explore Greenwich, which is an interesting area with several Danish connections.

We'll meet up at the Docklands Light Railway stop called Cutty Sark at 11am.

The walk will take about two hours, including a one-hour visit to the Queen's House where several paintings of Queen Anne are on display.

Afterwards, we would suggest a bit of lunch at the Trafalgar Tavern, Greenwich, a quintessential British riverside pub at 1pm.

The price for this walking tour is £13 per person for members and £15 per person for non-members.

We hope that you'll join us for a spring-time walk.

Grateful if you could sign up via e-mail to events@anglo-danishsociety.org.uk by Friday, 28th March 2025 and let us know whether or not you'd like to stay for lunch.

Please note that payments should be made by bank transfer to our account: Sort Code: 55-70-13, account number: 78325285. Please use your name and the event as references for your payment.



AGM & AMBASSADOR'S RECEPTION

WHEN: Tuesday 13th May 2025

TIME: 17.00 – 20.00

WHERE: The Royal Danish Embassy, 55 Sloane Street, London SW1X 9SR

Please join us for the Annual General Meeting at The Danish Embassy. After the brief AGM, we gather for the popular Ambassador's Reception where we will enjoy a few convivial hours amongst friends and fellow members in the Ambassador's official residence. HE Ambassador René Dinesen, Honorary President of the Anglo-Danish Society, is looking forward to welcoming us and treating us to drinks and canapes.

This event is strictly for members only. Please book by contacting Lone Mohr Curtis via hon.secretary@anglo-danishsociety.org.uk no later than Saturday, 3rd May 2025. Please note that we cannot accept any late bookings.



BOOKING EVENTS

Please check availability and book before making your payments. Further information is also available at www.anglo-danishsociety.org.uk and on Facebook

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After your booking has been accepted, please arrange direct bank transfer payments to the Anglo-Danish Society account:

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Sort Code: 55-70-13 Account No. 78325285

Name: The Anglo-Danish Society

Please mark your payment with your name and event for easy identification.

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