

# LONDON'S BEST OUTDOOR EVENTS

Each season brings its own sense of joy to the Capital. From the wonderful festive decorations and spirit in Winter, to the gorgeous aura the parks bring during Autumn, to the birth of new landscape and gardens in Spring. However Summer is arguably the most popular season, when tourists visit the city in their thousands and the events calendar becomes fully booked.

Not only is the city looking its best with parks and squares brought back to life with the warmer weather, Londoners tend to 'come out of hibernation' and can be found in one of the many pop up rooftop bars, or even taking in the sunshine on a pop up beach! It's no wonder the main events are often sold out months in advance, as Londoners compete with each other to attend events such as Wimbledon Tennis Championships, The Proms, The Regents Park Open Air Theatre and more...

We are regularly asked 'what is the best Summer event in London?' Of course, it's difficult to pin-point one particular event, as they are all tremendous in their own way. To give you an overview, we have summarised our top picks below.

## WIMBLEDON

Wimbledon (from 3 to 16 July 2017) is the home of oldest tennis tournament in the world and considered by most as the most prestigious tournament. Tickets are very hard to come by and normally involve a year's planning to receive a place on the ballot list. We can, however, secure tickets for this event, including hospitality if required. These would be debentures and are available for Centre Court and Court No. 1. If you were in the mood of feeling like an authentic Londoner, you could queue up from 8pm the night before the match you wish to attend. If you are one of the lucky 700, you will receive tickets for the next day's match.

Alternatively consider **The Eastbourne** (ladies) tournament from 23 June to 1 July 2017 or **The Queens** (men's) tournament from 19 to 25 June 2017, as these are the warm up events and most of the world's top players attend. Tickets for these events are not as difficult to source.



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## BST HYDE PARK

Located directly across from The Wellesley in Hyde Park, British Summer Time Hyde Park takes place. Since 2013, acts such as Stevie Wonder, Florence and the Machine and Taylor Swift have graced the Royal Park with their presence over two weekends in July.

This year is no different as we welcome acts such as Phil Collins, Justin Bieber, The Killers and Tom Petty to the park. Performances will take place from 30 June to 9 July 2017. If you are lucky enough, you might be able to catch some of the action from our One Bedroom Park View Suites.



## THE PROMS

The Proms are the annual event at the iconic Royal Albert Hall in London. This year The Proms take place from 14 July to 9 September 2017. Hosting some of the world's best conductors and orchestras, The Proms are a series of classical music concerts taking place nightly, culminating in the classical music event of the year, The Last Night of the Proms. This amazing event is also broadcast to 1000's of fans in Hyde Park in the event known as Proms in the Park.

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## OPEN AIR THEATRE

An ever popular outdoor event in London is the Regent's Park Open Air Theatre which runs from 19 May to 23 September 2017. It is one of the largest theatres in London and most certainly the most unique, with the beautiful Regent's Park as your backdrop. This year, productions include One The Town; A Tale of Two Cities; Oliver Twist and Jesus Christ Superstar.

## HOLLAND PARK OPERA

West of The Wellesley, close to Kensington High Street, Holland Park Opera takes place from 1 June to 29 July 2017. Famed for their outstanding productions, Holland Park Opera is a wonderful opportunity to discover and enjoy some amazing performances in a unique outdoor setting. This year, you can enjoy La Rondine – Puccini; Don Giovanni – Mozart; Kat'a Kabanova – Janacek; Zaza – Leoncavello; Alice – a children Opera based on the famous book by Lewis Carrol.



We will be more than happy to help you choose the best Summer event whilst staying at The Wellesley. We can happily arrange transport requirements to and from the events. If we can be of any assistance in the meantime, please contact us by emailing [concierge@thewellesley.co.uk](mailto:concierge@thewellesley.co.uk).

Until next time

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