Eminent Victorian Artists at home in Holland Park
Private tours of Leighton House and 18 Stafford terrace, with dinner
A fascinating contrast in Victorian High Fashion
Thursday 17th October 2019

We begin with a private guided tour of 18 Stafford Terrace, the home of Punch cartoonist, Edward Linley Sambourne. Preserved as in 1899, the house gives an insight into Sambourne’s working methods and the family’s social prominence among the Victorian literati, including Oscar Wilde. The 'Aesthetic interior' or 'House Beautiful' style, advocating foreign or 'exotic' influences is apparent in what was a much-loved family home.

After a break for coffee en route, for a complete contrast in style we visit Leighton House, the exotic studio home of Frederic, Lord Leighton (1830-1896), President of the Royal Academy, friend of Charles Dickens, and first of the Holland Park Circle, a unique colony of artists. His ‘private palace of art’ is among the most remarkable buildings of the nineteenth century, featuring an extraordinary Arab Hall with golden dome, intricate mosaics and Islamic tiles. The museum houses paintings and sculpture by Leighton and his contemporaries.

• Meet 1.15pm in Stafford House lower ground floor, 5 minutes walk from High Street Kensington
• Optional coffee stop on 9 minute walk to Leighton House tour
• Early 3 course dinner with wine at a local restaurant
• Maximum 30 participants
• Cost £75 per person including dinner. Refunds possible until 28/09/19.
• Applications should be submitted by Saturday 21/9/2019, and will be acknowledged by email.

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Venues: 18 Stafford Terrace and Leighton House Museum

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Savour a world inhabited by the celebrities of the day, including Oscar Wilde and Charles Dickens, in private tours of the exotic and contrasting homes of Frederic Lord Leighton RA and Linley Sambourne, Punch cartoonist