



Andrew Lloyd Webber  
Foundation

## Andrew Lloyd Webber Foundation's Canaletto to tour UK in significant exhibition

Compton Verney: 14 March – 7 June 2015,  
The Holburne Museum, Bath: June – October 2015  
Abbot Hall Art Gallery, Kendal: October 2015 – February 2016

Following six years on permanent exhibition at Tate Britain, The Andrew Lloyd Webber Foundation is delighted to be loaning its *London: The Old Horse Guards from St James's Park* by Canaletto to *Canaletto: Celebrating Britain*. The exhibition opens at Compton Verney on 14 March and tours to the Holburne Museum and the Abbot Hall Art Gallery. The painting will be shown for the first time alongside a largely unknown Canaletto view of the *new* Horse Guards building in Whitehall, from a private collection.

*Canaletto: Celebrating Britain* spotlights the paintings and drawings which Canaletto created between 1746 and 1755, when he chose to celebrate the latest achievements of British architecture and engineering. This is the first time which these magnificent paintings and drawings have been gathered together. Collectively they illustrate Canaletto's nine-year stay in Britain which saw him document a series of new building works and projects, commissions which reflected the new-found wealth and assurance of the British nation.

The Canaletto will return to Tate Britain at the end of the exhibition in February 2016.

Andrew Lloyd Webber says "I am thrilled my Foundation is lending to this exhibition and giving people across the UK an opportunity to view Canaletto's magnificent landscape which never ceases to inspire and, if you look closely, entertain."

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## **Notes to editors**

### **About the Andrew Lloyd Webber Foundation**

The Andrew Lloyd Webber Foundation was set up by Andrew in 1992 to promote the arts, culture and heritage for the public benefit; since inception Andrew has been the principle provider of funding for all its charitable activities.

In 2010, the Foundation embarked on an active grant giving programme and has now awarded grants of over £9m to support high quality training and personal development as well as other projects that make a real difference to enrich the quality of life both for individuals and within local communities. Significant grants include £3.5m to Arts Educational Schools, London to create a state of the art professional theatre, £1m to The Architectural Heritage Fund, £1m to The Music in Secondary Schools Trust and over £350,000 annually to fund 30 performing arts scholarships for talented students in financial need. The Foundation owns two important paintings, a Canaletto “Old Horse Guards from St James’s Park”, currently on exhibition at Tate Britain and a Stanley Spencer “The Garage” on exhibition at The Stanley Spencer Gallery in Cookham, Berkshire.

### **About Compton Verney**

- Compton Verney is an award winning art gallery based 9 miles outside of Stratford upon Avon in Warwickshire.
- The gallery is housed in a Grade I listed Georgian mansion surrounded by 120 acres of Capability Brown landscaped parkland
- It is home to six permanent collections of art from around the world and a changing programme of art exhibitions.
- Compton Verney’s 2015 season runs from Saturday 14 March – Sunday 13 December 2015. The Gallery is open Tuesday – Sunday and Bank Holiday Mondays, 11am – 5pm
- Admission to the exhibitions is £15.00 Adults, £13.50 Concessions, £3.00 Children, £30.00 Family (2 adults and up to 4 children). Under 5s are free. Admission includes entry to the exhibition, the six permanent collections and 120 acres of parkland at Compton Verney. [These prices include a Gift Aid donation]
- For tickets and information see [www.comptonverney.org.uk](http://www.comptonverney.org.uk) or call 01926 645500