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Belgravia

Entrepreneur **Michelle Mone** on her passion for **interior design**. Elsewhere in this **home special**, **Fiona Barratt-Campbell** shares her favourite things, **Belgravia's best home fragrances** and an awe-inspiring antique from **Carlton Hobbs**.



Treat-filled tours arrive in Belgravia

Those looking for an irresistible sugar fix are in for a treat with the launch of new company Sweet Tooth Tours.

Lynne Staartjes, who trained as a pastry chef and previously worked at Peggy Porschen and Pierre Hermé, will lead a walking tour of Belgravia to discover its edible hidden gems.

Each tour lasts approximately two-and-a-half-hours and can include six guests. At each stop there will be tasting portions and the chance to learn about the shops and their owners, in addition to the history of the area.

Tours available include the signature Belgravia tour, a gluten-free version or a "sugar and spice" offering that includes savoury stops.

They can also be arranged for children's birthday parties, baby showers or hen dos. Prices start at £48 per person.

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Time for tea

A garden tea party toasting elderly members of the community will once again take place in Belgravia this autumn.

Marina Kaloghirou, a long-term resident, has organised the event in Eaton Square Garden. It will take place on October 1, from 2.30-5pm.

The get-together is part of the UK-wide initiative Silver Sunday – an annual event which sees a host of free activities take place across the country. It's led by the Sir Simon Milton Foundation, which is based in Victoria.

"I have participated in this initiative for several years and it is always an enormous pleasure for me to give a pleasant few hours in lovely surroundings to the elderly in our society," Marina told *Belgravia* magazine. "I do so in memory of my mother, Galatea Kaloghirou, who passed in 2010.

"This year's event will be extra special because Silver Sunday coincides with the UN day for the elderly."

Shows to savour on Motcomb Street

The beauty of the British landscape and the power and energy of horses will ensure an eclectic programme at the Osborne Studio Gallery this autumn.

Two exhibitions are scheduled to take place in the gallery at 2 Motcomb Street. The first is a showcase of new work by Garry Raymond-Pereira, an artist known for capturing the spirit of landscapes across the world with more than 200 solo shows to his name.

His latest, titled *Stand and Stare*, runs from October 17 to November 2.

"I will be making the work up until the deadline," said Garry. "But there will be large meadow paintings of Norfolk and large woodland paintings of Norfolk, Scotland and Wales."

A joint exhibition will follow, with artists Susan Leyland and Patsy McArthur both inspired by equine beauty.

Susan has lived and worked in Tuscany since visiting Florence in 1973 and sculpts clay horses from her studio. Glasgow-born Patsy's work is inspired by movement, drawing

horses from photographs or videos.

Their exhibition runs from November 7-25.

Admission free, osg.uk.com

Left: *Gracie's Poppy Field* by Garry Raymond-Pereira

Below: *Serenity* by Susan Leyland

