

THE LONDONER ANNOUNCES EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENTS AHEAD OF JUNE 2020 OPENING



The Londoner – the newest property and flagship hotel under Edwardian Hotels London and the world's first 'super boutique hotel' located in the famed Leicester Square – today announced four key executive appointments ahead of its opening in June 2020. Simon Wong has been appointed to General Manager; Hannah Millar-Case has been appointed to Director of Sales and Jason Kitt has been appointed to Director of Meeting and Events Sales. These appointments come at a pivotal time in The Londoner's development and signal a commitment to creating a best-in-class team who can provide the operational framework and industry expertise necessary to deliver luxurious, personalised, authentic guest services and innovative experiences.

"From day one, The Londoner will deliver an unparalleled level of genuine hospitality that allows each and every guest to feel connected to the fabric of London, and we are thrilled to welcome onboard this incredibly diverse team of talented professionals who will elevate the execution of our strategy," said **Charles Oak**, **Hotel Director of The Londoner**. "I look forward to building on the 40-year-strong foundation of Edwardian Hotels London alongside these accomplished individuals as we propel The Londoner forward through its opening and beyond."

Appointed to General Manager, Simon Wong has held a number of senior positions across the Edwardian Hotels London portfolio for more than 20 years and most recently, in preparation for The Londoner was asked to support The May Fair management team in a leadership capacity which commenced November 2018. Prior to this role he was the General Manager of Radisson Blu Edwardian Heathrow. With extensive operational and commercial leadership experience and an intimate understanding of the hotel group, Mr. Wong brings a clear vision to put The Londoner front-and-centre with global audiences and a motivating, results-driven approach to hospitality, designed to inspire his team in their delivery of best-in-class service.

Hannah Millar-Case has served as a North American sales representative for Edwardian Hotels London for the past seven years, generating resoundingly successful corporate bookings in the creative industries and entertainment sector as well as the luxury leisure agency community, creating unique offerings and experiences, and building strong relationships for the hotel group across a vast network of industry contacts. Ms. Millar-Case returns to London this month as Director of Sales for The Londoner, where she will be instrumental in driving business across all segments, along with her team, and establishing the hotel as the top choice for any client business coming to the United Kingdom.

Jason Kitt joins The Londoner as Director of Meeting and Events Sales, backed with more than 15 years of progressive experience in the MICE space across group events and sales for internationally recognised London properties including The Savoy, Jumeirah Carlton Tower, and Jumeirah Lowndes Hotel. Mr. Kitt's proven track record in establishing and managing key accounts, alongside his demonstrated ability to mentor personnel within the high-end travel sector, will propel his success in this new role as he oversees The Londoner's meetings and events team and their responsibilities from planning to execution.

At its peak, the development of The Londoner has brought more than 700 construction jobs to the City of London with the aim of creating more than 600 new vacancies upon launch. Designed to be a world-class and atmospheric space for guests and employees alike, The Londoner will deliver thoughtful luxury throughout its 350 guestrooms and suites, curated private and public spaces, subterranean levels featuring a luxury spa experience and two private screening rooms, and expansive meetings and events spaces. With service deeply embedded into the vision of the hotel, guests will feel the pulse of The Londoner and its vibrant city surroundings. The Londoner is a member of the Preferred Hotels & Resorts Legend Collection.

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Edwardian Hotels London

Edwardian Hotels London is one of the UK's largest privately owned hotel groups, which has been operating and developing its hospitality portfolio, including upscale five and four star luxury hotels, since Jasminder Singh OBE began his career within the hospitality industry in 1977; forming the beginnings of what would become Edwardian Hotels London.

Today, Edwardian Hotels London owns and operates The May Fair, The Edwardian Manchester, both part of premium lifestyle brand Radisson Collection, 10 Radisson Blu Edwardian hotels across London and a range of luxury restaurant and bar brands, including the award-winning Kitchen concept restaurants; May Fair Kitchen, Bloomsbury Street Kitchen, Peter Street Kitchen, Leicester Square Kitchen, Monmouth Kitchen and May Fair Bar, as well as Steak & Lobster and Scoff & Banter.

Edwardian Hotels London is currently engaged in its latest project, The Londoner. Set to open in June 2020, the world's first super boutique hotel in London's Leicester Square will incorporate a luxury lifestyle hotel, six concept eateries, bars, spa and private screening rooms. It is a member of Preferred Hotels & Resorts' prestigious Legend Collection.

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