

**Foundling Museum
Brunswick Square, London, WC1**

Handel and Hogarth dined here, Rococo style! One of London's finest surviving Rococo interiors and England's first public art collection providing a unique backdrop for exclusive entertaining and spectacular events.

The Foundling Museum tells the story of the Foundling Hospital, London's first home for abandoned children and of three major figures in British history: the philanthropist Thomas Coram, the artist William Hogarth and the composer George Frideric Handel. This remarkable collection of art and social history is now housed in a restored and refurbished building adjacent to the original site of the Hospital.

The Court Room was designed by William Hogarth in 1740s as the showcase for British Art, and was used by some of England's leading artists namely Hogarth, Gainsborough and Reynolds. The elaborate William Wilton ceiling, fine paintings and sculptures combine to make the whole room a sumptuous work of art.

The magnificent Picture Gallery is modelled on the original building, and is decorated with many of the grand, full length and smaller portraits which established the collection in the 1740s, including Hogarth's renowned portrait of Thomas Coram. The venue is suitable for dinners, conferences and concerts.

There are several other rooms available for hire the most moving of which is the Coram's Children Gallery that explores the Hospital's poignant social history, displaying the Royal Charter granted by King George II and the moving tokens of love and remembrance left by inconsolable mothers, forced to give up their infant children. Also of note is the Gerald Coke Handel Collection which houses the largest private collection of Handel memorabilia and publications, including his will, contemporary manuscripts and artefacts and many scholarly works.

Capacities:

	Reception	Dinner	Conference
Court Room	100	30	-
Picture Gallery	200	100	100



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