

V&A Academy

THE CITY OF
LONDON: MEDIEVAL
CITY TO MODERN
METROPOLIS

Friday

20 November 2026



Introduction



The tour will take you through the back streets and purlieus of the City of London, exploring the remaining fragments of the ancient capital and topography of the great events and key social and economic trends of the medieval and early modern city. Amid the soaring towers of the 21st century, we shall search out the vestiges of ancient moments in London's history, from its roots in late antiquity to the era of the great fire.

Please note that we cannot guarantee that this tour is fully accessible; there will be curbs, narrow and uneven pavements on this tour

Information

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11.15-14.45

Offsite meeting point outside Farringdon Station

V&A Academy events invite you behind the scenes to bring you closer to the places linked to the V&A extraordinary collections.

Handouts

A day before our walking tour you will receive a handout that accompanies this event: an itinerary of the walking tour with landmarks to invite you to re-visit the route of the tour in your own time and further reading recommendations and ways to learn more about the topic by exploring the V&A's Collections both online and onsite.

If you have any queries regarding the walking tour or if you have any specific access requirements, please do let us know by emailing courses@vam.ac.uk so that we can ensure the best experience on the day.

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Suitable for ages 18 and over.

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11.15-11.30 Arrival at meeting point Farringdon Underground Station

12.45 45 minutes convenience break near St Pauls Cathedral

13.30 Walking tour continues- meeting point to be announced

14.45 The walk ends Monument Underground Station

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