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"I feel the best relationship an actor can have with his fans is one where you make interesting work they like."

CITY WATCH



New Horizons

From 17 June

Tate Modern, the UK's foremost modern art gallery, is known as much for the building that houses it (the former Bankside Power Station, designed by British architect Giles Gilbert Scott and reimagined by Swiss architectural firm Herzog & de Meuron), as the art it exhibits So the opening of a new ten-storey building behind the iconic original is a significant event. Built ontop of Tate Modern's performance art space. The Tanks, the new building, also designed by Herzog & de Meuron, will be dedicated to live art, film and installations.

New Tate Modern, Tate Modern, London, fate.org.uk



New Balls, Please

27 June to 10 July

The oldest and most esteemed tournament in tennis, Wimbledion is a highlight not only of every British summer for both diehard tennis fans and dilettantes but also of the global sporting calendar No matter how much success a player has, they will not be considered a true great unless they have won Wimbledion. Be warned, tickets are in great demand and queues are notoriously lengthy.

Wimbledon, All England Lawn Temis Club, London, wimbledon,com

LONDON

PAINTING PEOPLE AND PLACES

Until 28 August

Having made his name as an abstract painter in London in the 1960s, Bill Jacklin later controversially eschewed abstraction in favour of figurative painting. He moved to New York in 1985 and ever since, his work has focused on the city Bill Jacklin: Paintings and Monotypes, at Mariborough Fine Art in London (until 7 June) will feature the artists latest work. Jacklin will also be exhibiting at the Royal Academy of Arts from 3 June to 28 August.

Bill Jacklin: Paintings and Monotypes, Marlborough Fine Art, London. marlboroughfondon.com

DINING ON THE THAMES

Throughout June

While London is rit lacking West End shows, there's something special about watching a musical performance (featuring show tunes and pop songs) while floating down the Thames. This month you can unwind with a four-course menu (served alongside sparking wire and other beverages) as London's iconic sights drift by

City Cruises Showboat Cruise, London. citycruises.com

PERSIAN ABSTRACTION

9 June to 21 July

Sophia Contemporary Gallery, located in London's Mayfair neighbourhood, is committed to supporting established and emerging contemporary artists from the Middle East and Iran The new gallery's latest show is dedicated to the work of artist Podya Aryanpour, whose abstract pieces draw on his Persian artistic heritage.

Pooya Aryanpo ur, Sophia Contemporary Gallery, London, sophiacontemporary.com