



# PRINCIPAL TOWER

LONDON EC2



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## SPRING 2017 – PRINCIPAL TOWER

Information about the building,  
the local area and more

### WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE AREA



#### Urban Makers Pop-up

7 February - 7 May 2017, all day  
Fount London, Railway Arch, 358-360,  
354 Westgate Street, London E8 3RN

Following on from their successful Christmas market, Urban Makers East is hosting a pop up shop in the arches of Westgate Street in the ever popular courtyard of Fount London, Hackney. It will be a creative hub with a talented array of established and fledgling designer makers selling their designs.



Both designers and products will change throughout the occupancy, and there will be at least 30 different designers on show in the shop at any one time. There are very unique items on offer, ranging from jewellery, ceramics, homewares, textiles, clothing and accessories for children and adults, original art and stationary.



Details of workshops and events will be available on their website.

[www.urbanmakeeast.co.uk](http://www.urbanmakeeast.co.uk)

## WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE AREA: EXHIBITIONS



### Ben Edge 'Folk Renaissance'

10 March - 16 April 2017, 11am - 6pm  
32 Rivington Street, London, EC2A 3LX

CNB Gallery and director Rebecca Lidert are presenting the first solo exhibition of London-based artist Ben Edge.

Ben Edge's paintings investigate and celebrate the extraordinary lives of ordinary people. Within each of his portraits he presents the viewer with a critical and psychological insight into a unique human story, through recurring themes such as otherness, masculinity and the artistic impulse. In this body of work, Edge depicts outsider artists, musicians, circus performers, climbers, Arctic explorers, fighters and poets, many of whom live beyond generally accepted social and cultural norms.

[www.cnbgallery.com](http://www.cnbgallery.com)



### East End Trail Exhibition

17 - 29 March 2017, 10am - 10pm  
Oxford House Gallery, Bethnal Green, Derbyshire Street,  
London, E2 6HG

Oxford House is hosting an exhibition with new works by Noriko Michigami. East End Trail is the second series of her paintings about the East End. She painted the first series mostly between 1992 and 1994 when she was a student. At that time she was new to East London and she experienced great curiosity, looking at the views and expressing her feelings on canvas from different angles.

"Over 2 decades, East London has rapidly changed. Everywhere there are many more blocks of flats and office buildings. However, the view of East London always holds a charm for me." – Noriko Michigami

'East End Trail' represents her research footage and is an ongoing painting project.

[www.oxfordhouse.org.uk](http://www.oxfordhouse.org.uk)

## New Openings

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### Blacklock

[theblacklock.com](http://theblacklock.com)

13 Philpot Lane, London, EC3M 1DE

Blacklock, London's popular chop and cocktail hawker, and source of massive queues in Soho, will be opening a second, much larger branch in the City. Part-bar, part-basement chophouse, the original restaurant quickly became popular largely due to its simple menu, which comprises mainly of sizzling cuts of meat and cocktails that are equal parts very good and very affordable.

The new City branch will have all of this, as well as a few new cuts and a handful of new starters. Expect their glorious meaty bread, sixth rib-eye, aged rump cap, maple bacon chop and smoked, roasted chicken in house sauce with Yorkshire pancakes. The cocktail bar will stand separately, parts of which you'll be able to order from the table-side cocktail trolley. Otherwise, they'll have the usual wine on tap "for those that enjoy their wine by the litre."

As for the place itself, it's on the site of an old electricity substation - but there's a back story to the site that makes it a perfect match for Blacklock. As Ker discovered, the new place is "slap bang on what used to be London's main meat market in medieval times when butchers' stalls lined both sides of the street."

Opening 20 March 2017.



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### Trata, Boundary Basement, Shoreditch

[boundary.london](http://boundary.london)

2-4 Boundary Street, London, E2 7DD

French butchery master Stéphane Reynaud will open his first UK-based restaurant this spring, which will be a celebration of Ardèche-style meat and charcuterie.

Tratra will function as a complete takeover of Shoreditch's Boundary hotel's basement and will be the chef's first restaurant outside of Paris.

He's gained fame for his meat recipes in the past, like his roast pork with prunes and beer which he demonstrated to Martha Stewart on American TV. It's no surprise that he knows a thing or two about how to cook meat, having grown up in a family of pig farmers.

In the past, Reynaud has spoken lovingly of the steak frites, pot au feu and cassoulet of his youth, so there's a good chance we might see similar regional cuisine on the menu.

Opening April 2017.



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### Nobu Shoreditch Hotel and Restaurant

[nobuhotels.com/london-nobu-hotel](http://nobuhotels.com/london-nobu-hotel)  
10-15 Willow Street, London, EC2A 4BH

Nobu have opened hotel and restaurants across the globe, but this is their first European one, right in the heart of Shoreditch.

The restaurant will seat 240 and promises to have “a series of innovative culinary experiences, specially created for Nobu Shoreditch”. You can expect the usual Japanese, Peruvian and other South American elements, and Nobu classics like Black Cod Miso and Yellowtail Sashimi with Jalapeno, with some Nobu Shoreditch exclusives too.

On top of that, there’s a four-level terrace, which can fit 80 people as well as a semi-private dining space overlooking the custom-built, open kitchen for 18. The restaurant has its own bar and they’ll have vintage sakes, limited edition Japanese whiskies and rare champagnes.

As for the hotel, there will be 243 rooms all designed with a contemporary feel, including 7 suites, with balconies overlooking the courtyard and the pocket garden downstairs. The exclusive Nobu Suite has a view of the city, as well as a lounge and dining area. The rooms start at £250 and suites at £460 per night.

Opening June 2017.



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### The Ned

[thened.com](http://thened.com)  
27 Poultry, London, EC2R 8AJ

London-born Soho House & Co has partnered with US Sydell Group to create a 252-room hotel and members’ club in The City, which will open in April 2017.

The Grade-I listed, 11-storey building was designed in 1924 by Sir Edwin ‘Ned’ Lutyens. The Ned’s listed status has meant a respectful and light-handed renovation, with many original features – from the 92 African verdite columns in the former banking hall, to old ‘safety deposit’ signage in a main stairwell – have remained.

The Ned will have 252 bedrooms, nine restaurants, rooftop and indoor swimming pools, a range of men’s and women’s grooming services and a private members’ club. The bedrooms range in size from intimate Crash Pads to large-scale suites. Expect tactile furnishings, classical details and all the essentials you could need for a comfortable home away from home.

The members’ club bar in the basement will serve up classic cocktails and food from the famous establishment, Cecconi’s restaurant. Upstairs on the top floor you’ll find the Canopy Bar & Restaurants with a retractable roof, plus two bars – Poultry Dome Bar & Terrace and Princes Street Dome Bar & Terrace overlooking St Paul’s.



## CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

At Principal Place Residential, construction of the main tower is progressing well. The core formwork system was expanded in mid-January to include all perimeter columns, creating quite an impressive structure. This will continue to rise at a rate of one floor per week, with floor slabs following a few levels behind. The tower crane is due to be increased in height in March/April to match the progress of the tower.

In the basement works are progressing well, with walls below the tower (top-down area) between B3 and B1 levels almost complete, and those up to GF due for completion by April. The remaining B1 level slab north of

the tower is progressing, and the bottom of Building 4 has recently been cast, with Building 3 due to start shortly.

Cladding has commenced, with brackets being installed ready for the first panel delivery. Mechanical, electrical and dry lining installation around the core area of Building 2 at level 2 has started and is progressing well. The Marketing Suite is also set to open in June.

Please note the new number for the marketing suite:  
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