



Asia Chapter

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## 2022 APAVM WHISKY PAIRING DINNER

7 December 2022, Hong Kong

The Asia Chapter of Patrons of the Arts in the Vatican Museums is honored to invite you to our exclusive Whisky Pairing Dinner

### Program

- 1800 Registration & Cocktails
- 1900 Welcome Address
- 1915 Pre-Dinner Presentation:  
*"Christianity & The Origin of Whisky"*  
*featuring Robert Ross Allan*
- 2000 Whisky Pairing Dinner  
*featuring Archibald John Gracie*
- 2230 End of Program

### Venue

**The Square**  
Shop 401, 4/F, Exchange Square II  
8 Connaught Road Central  
Hong Kong

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**FOC for Patrons**  
whose membership is  
valid till 31 Dec 2024

**Guests @**  
**HKD3,000/pax**

**RSVP**

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Smart Casual

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'Whisky Pairing'  
Dinner Resource:

**ARCHIBALD JOHN GRACIE**

Just like with wine, the ranges of flavours and aromas in whisky make it perfect to pair with various kinds of food for an overall flavour enhancement and a delight to the taste buds. It may be unsurprising that the flavour of red meat, such as a rich, fatty steak, is often complimented by the layers of flavour of a single malt. The sweet, hot flavour of your favourite spice rub on barbequed ribs will also be amplified with the addition of a sweet sherry cask whisky.

What is lesser known is that particular whiskies go well with a range of foods as diverse as salmon and lighter seafood, including raw preparations, which pair well with light, fruity whiskies. Smoky and spicy whiskies can make for a great pairing option with strongly flavoured cheeses and a variety of nuts. In particular exotic desserts, the complexity of a whisky can balance out the sweet richness of the cream, play up the fragrance of fruit or enhance the experience of the baking spices.



Pre-Dinner Online Lecture:  
"Christianity & The Origin of Whisky"

**ROBERT ROSS ALLAN**

Scotch whisky or "the water of life" has its colourful origins embedded in the history of Scottish Christianity, Christian monarchy, nobility, ingenious monks and monasticism. It is prized by royalty, nobility, priests and laymen alike and lauded as a mark of both hospitality and faith, as well as utilised widely for its medicinal purposes.

Scotch whisky finds its heritage in the early saints, medieval kings, monasteries and monastic orders, including the Benedictine monks of St Tiron. Whisky is endemic to the everyday life of the royal burghs (or towns), playing a part in the Reformation, the Civil War, the Restoration and the 1745 Jacobite rebellion and was notably used for last rites in battle.

Despite the outlawing of Roman Catholicism, the priesthood survived in Scotland in part due to the role played by whisky. In this regard, the story of Cardhu, Scotland's saintly distillery, is one which champions St Michael's motto of hospitality, while concurrently perceived as a symbol of popular tax evasion in antiquity. Without doubt, the role of whisky is inextricably linked to the Catholic faith and its popularity remains enshrined in modernity to this day.

