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SPLENDID HOSPITALITY GROUP APPOINTS JAMES CLARKE AS GENERAL MANAGER FOR HILTON LONDON BANKSIDE

The Splendid Hospitality Group has appointed James Clarke as General Manager for the new Hilton London Bankside hotel which is set to open this summer. James brings with him over 20 years of experience within the hospitality industry and joins from the London Hilton on Park Lane where he was Director of Operations.



James Clarke, General Manager of the Hilton London Bankside Hotel says: “I am thrilled to be playing a pivotal role in opening the Hilton London Bankside. The construction phase is always interesting but I can’t wait to be checking in our first guests at the end of the summer.”

Stuart Bailey, CEO of Splendid Hospitality Group says: “We are delighted to have James on board to manage Hilton London Bankside which is an exciting new addition to our portfolio. With 292 stylishly decorated rooms, it will be one of the largest hotels within the Splendid Hospitality Group. James also brings with him a good understanding of the Hilton ethos.”

James studied in both the UK and USA and one of his prestigious early jobs included working at the Waldorf Astoria in New York as Director of Room Service and Hospitality Operations.

Always striving for the best throughout his career, James has been recognised with two Hotel Cateys while at the Grosvenor House Hotel; the UK Conference and Banqueting Department of the Year 2009 and Food & Beverage Manager of the Year in 2010.

More recently James was acknowledged for his work at Hilton scooping both Hotel of the Year Award and Director of Operations of the Year in 2013. Last year he was awarded a scholarship by the Master Innholders to complete a General Manager Programme at Cornell University in the USA.

When not running the hotel James can be found tucked away in one of the City’s many museums or reading about history. He is a passionate foodie and enjoys sampling the latest restaurants and spotting the latest gastronomic trends. James loves to burn off any remaining energy with a good game of rugby.

The Hilton London Bankside hotel, located close to the Shard, Tate Modern and Borough Market is in the heart of London's newest destination dedicated to all things art and food. The hotel's sumptuous Ballroom will have all the very latest high tech facilities and will be one of the larger venues in London hosting up to 750 guests.

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