

PHOTOGRAPHIC PORTRAITS OF DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI

In order to celebrate the life and achievements of recent generations of Pembroke students, the Governing Body has agreed to hang a selection of photographic portraits on the north and south façades of the Dining Hall.

The alumni have been chosen by the Art Committee in consultation with all fellows. They represent former students who have successful professional careers, have achieved prominence in the public eye, or have been significant benefactors of the College.

Every year, six new portraits will be hung to keep the display vibrant and continuously updated. We hope that these images will provide a lively picture of the many walks of life in which Pembroke students have successfully found their place in the wider world.

NORTH FACADE



Oz Clarke (m.1967 – Theology)

Oz Clarke is one of the world's leading wine experts and has won countless International Awards. He is also a television presenter (BBC Food & Drink, Oz & James) and a broadcaster on various subjects, and has written numerous award-winning books. He is also an actor and singer, previously playing such roles as Sweeney Todd and Evita's General Peron in the West End, and is currently heading up a series of concerts featuring wine and Baroque music with the Armonico consort.



Michelle Peluso (m.1993 – PPE)

Michelle Peluso is IBM's Senior Vice President and Chief Marketing Officer, overseeing global marketing and brand initiatives for the IBM company. She also currently serves on the board of directors for Nike, Technoserve and Tech:NYC. Michelle has previously held a number of executive roles in a variety of organisations including Technology Crossover Ventures, Gilt and Citigroup. She also served as CEO of Travelocity and Site59, which she co-founded.

SOUTH FACADE



Tarik O'Regan (m.1996 – Music)

Tarik O'Regan is a contemporary classical music composer. His work has been recognized with two GRAMMY® nominations and two British Composer Awards. He has composed music for a wide variety of ensembles and organizations, and is currently working on a full-scale opera about the life of Lorenzo Da Ponte commissioned by Houston Grand Opera.



Desirée Cox (m.1987 – Rhodes Scholar)

Desirée T Cox was the first Rhodes Scholar from The Bahamas and the first female British Caribbean Rhodes Scholar. She trained as a medical doctor at Oxford. She also has a PhD in History from Cambridge is a published writer and poet, an artist and a singer/songwriter. She is currently a global consultant on issues relating to healthcare and education.



Matthew Freeman (m.1979 – Biochemistry)

Professor Matthew Freeman is the Head of the Sir William Dunn School of Pathology at Oxford and a Fellow of the Royal Society. The Dunn School is one of the top biomedical research departments in the UK and is involved in researching the cell and molecular biology that underlies human disease. His own research focuses on the fundamental mechanisms and medical significance of how cells communicate with each other.



Patience Agbabi (m.1983 – English)

Patience Agbabi is a British poet, performer and Fellow in Creative Writing at Oxford Brookes University. Her poetry, which emphasises the spoken word, deals with contemporary themes including racial and gender identity issues. She has been poet-in-residence at both a tattoo parlour and Eton College. Her work, equally influenced by rap and dead white poets, has been published, broadcast and featured on Poems in the Underground.

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