

SCTE Benelux Gala Dinner

Thursday 4th February 2016



ss Rotterdam
The Netherlands

The SCTE's 70th Anniversary

The SCTE celebrated its 70th Anniversary during 2015 and as the pinnacle of the year's events, a truly memorable Gala Dinner and Party were held at the Tower of London in June. The SCTE Benelux Group would also like their members to join in the festivities and so the ss Rotterdam is our tribute to 70 glorious years of the Society. The ss Rotterdam will certainly be an event not to miss!

Report on the 2015 Benelux Event



The Gouda Historic Town Hall

The SCTE's Benelux Group held its third Annual Dinner on 5th February 2015 at the beautiful City Hall (Stadhuis) in Gouda, in the Markt main square of the city. The Stadhuis, built in 1450, is the oldest gothic City Hall in the Netherlands and is one of the best known monuments of Gouda. The black tie dinner commenced with a drinks reception, followed by a 4-course banquet with live music from troubadour, Peter de Jong. The Dinner was another

great success, attracting 72 SCTE members and guests, invited VIPs plus the sponsors, Alcadis and Technetix who generously supported the event once again. Included in the guests was a delegation from the SCTE's Executive Committee, headed by the SCTE President.

The 2016 Benelux Gala Dinner

Announcing the fourth annual social event for the SCTE Benelux Group



The magnificent ss Rotterdam is a beautifully preserved 56 year-old ship - the last great Dutch "ship of state" - which is now permanently moored in Rotterdam. She was launched by Queen Juliana of the Netherlands in a gala ceremony in 1958 and the following year travelled to New York for the very first time. After that, "La Grande Dame" spent more than 40 years sailing the seven seas until her retirement in 2000. In 2001, the Steamship Rotterdam Foundation left no stone unturned to protect and

preserve the ship and today she is a ship-hotel and museum moored in a stationary position on the quayside. The authentic décor, original masterpieces and the elegant 1950's style conjure up the essence of days gone by and provide guests with an unforgettable experience. To capture the atmosphere of the evening, guests will be issued with ss Rotterdam embarkation tickets to enable you to climb on board.

Location

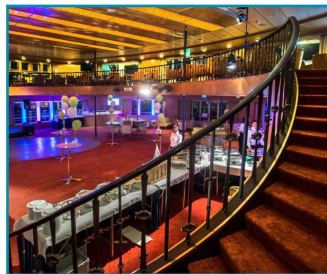
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3.8km from the Nederlands Architectuurinstituut, 4.8km from Rotterdam Centraal station and 5km from the Delfshaven antique-shopping area.

Timings

Drinks Reception	17.30
Dinner	19.00
Close of Evening	22.30



Format of the Evening

To start the evening off with a swing, join us for a Drinks Reception in the “First Class Smoking Room”. This will be followed by a 4-course banquet served in the “Grand Ball Room” including wine and water, with coffee and after-dinner drinks in the “Ambassador Lounge”. Entertainment during the dinner will be live music by the ever-popular “troubadour”, Peter de Jong.

The evening will include a speaker during a break for a “spoom”, who will enthral you with details of the fascinating history of the ss Rotterdam.

Dress Code is Black Tie

A typically good excuse for everyone to dress up!

Overnight Accommodation

Overnight accommodation is at the ss Rotterdam itself so not far to go to bed afterwards! The ss Rotterdam is part of the WestCord Hotel Group which was once the property of the Holland America Line and therefore shares the same rich history. A special rate for the SCTE has been agreed of €109.00 for a Superior Room with breakfast (single occupancy) or additional €15.00 for double occupancy – please see booking form overleaf.

Parking

Parking is available in front of the ss Rotterdam.

Sponsorship Packages

Sponsorship opportunities are available in conjunction with the SCTE Benelux Gala Dinner. Please contact the Benelux Secretary, Rien Baan, for details.

Dinner Ticket Prices

Tickets are now available at the following prices:-

SCTE Members	€70.00
Partners/guests of SCTE Members	€30.00
Non-SCTE Members	€95.00
Partners/guests of non-SCTE Members	€30.00

As attendance at the Dinner is regarded as a benefit of SCTE membership due to the subsidies offered, we will be charging places to non-members at the slightly increased rate of €95.00. (NOTE: Non-members are, however, permitted to apply for membership where this is appropriate and, if successful, they will then be charged at the SCTE member rate for tickets booked).

Bookings & Payment

To make your booking, please complete the form below and return this to the SCTE Benelux Secretary, Rien Baan (see details below). All bookings will be confirmed on receipt. Payments for tickets are to be made to the following account of the SCTE Benelux Treasurer:-

Account Name	H Grooten
IBAN	NL25 RABO 0121 4883 22
BIC Code	BIC: RABONL2U
Reference to be added to payment	SCTE Benelux Galadiner 4 February 2016

Please return this form by post, fax or email to the SCTE Benelux Secretary:-

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Member Name

Daytime Tel No

Email

No of dinner tickets required

Names of guests

Dietary requirements (please specify)

(Please indicate below if you wish to have a hotel reservation for the night of Thursday 4th February 2016. A number of Superior Rooms have been allocated for the SCTE at a rate of €109.00, including breakfast, for single occupancy. For double occupancy, there is an extra charge of €15.00).

Hotel room requirement

Signed

Date