

Caroline's Mansion unveiled at The St. Regis Singapore



Artist Impression

Singapore, February 2019 – Newly launched in January 2019, Caroline's Mansion is the latest addition to an exclusive suite of event spaces at The St. Regis Singapore. Named in honour of Caroline Astor, the founding matriarch of the St. Regis, Caroline's Mansion sits adjacent to the hotel's main building, and is accessible via a private entrance by the hotel driveway. Complementing a host of eight existing meeting and event venues at the hotel, Caroline's Mansion provides an additional venue option for exquisite events at The St. Regis Singapore.

Formerly built as the hotel's indoor tennis courts, the conversion project was first conceptualised in September 2017 by Avalon Collective, a boutique design-consulting firm headquartered in Singapore. Conversion works subsequently began in March 2018 and took approximately ten months to complete. Paying homage to the home of Caroline Astor, once a popular host venue for lavish events and receptions, Caroline's Mansion boasts of a ninemetre double-height ceiling retained from the former space and is designed with original architecture elements from her New York home, encapsulated in a modern context.

Anticipating the need for versatility, Caroline's Mansion offers over 370 square metres of interior space, comprising a pre-event area and foyer, as well as a ballroom which is divisible into three intimate venues - including a connecting saloon. Comprehensive fittings at the venue include five projection screens, elevated projectors and smart technology equipment that can be conveniently controlled by mobile iPads, as well as innovative skyfold walls that fold up into the cove ceilings.





Mirroring the high-society events and exclusive meetings that used to take place at the home of Caroline Astor, Caroline's Mansion is well-suited for business gatherings and meetings, cocktail parties and dinners, as well as the celebration of special moments.

Design

Entrance and Foyer

Drawing on the residential elements of the original home of Caroline Astor in New York, carved Mahogany wood doors flanked by beveled glass arched portals as well as elegant glass and brass wall sconces, set the grandeur for an inviting welcome via a private entrance. Past the lofty entrance is the intimate surrounds of a luxuriously designed private foyer which serves as a transitional space between the outdoor and the indoor. Bathed in natural light which streams in through beveled windows, the foyer is designed to prepare guests for their experience ahead in the ballroom.

Pre-function Foyer

An expansive pre-function foyer boasts the highest ceiling height of nine metres, inclusive of a two-metre curved ceiling embedded with cove lighting within. Mirror-paneled doors and glass-paneled walls line the pre-function area, creating a prismatic effect inspired by Caroline Astor's love for jewels. Acoustic purposes are met with woven coverings across wall surfaces as well as double-glazed glass panels designed with a 20mm air gap, separating the ballroom from the foyer.

A neutral colour scheme comprising a mix of clean tones of white, grey and accents of black, runs consistently through the space, purposefully evoking a sense of freshness amidst a timeless design.

Accentuating the space is a cluster of bespoke pendant lights crafted with mouth-blown bubbled glass crystals finished with arched brass fittings. True to the unifying sense of welcome that is experienced throughout Caroline's Mansion, the 'arch' is carried through in a trail of visual representations across a series of wall panels, chandeliers and wall lights. Timber wood marquetry and custom-made carpets across the floor are replicated from the design of the original home.

Drawing attention to the double height space of Caroline's Mansion, is a grand staircase built with stonetread and risers. Extending a vertical connection to the main building, the staircase ensures a synergistic association with the grand staircase that sits within the hotel building.

Caroline I, II and III

An exquisitely intimate ballroom that is divisible into three function spaces — Caroline II acts as a connecting saloon between Caroline I and III. Designed to resemble a living room, Caroline II features a brass-paneled feature wall embellished with a painting by David Hockney, as well as a monolithic fireplace where mirrors are used to simulate the reflection of movement.

Seamlessly incorporated in the design of Caroline's Mansion, tall arches are used as metal frames on wall panels across the 8-metre tall ballroom space. Perimeter LED lights tucked within a 2-metre ceiling cove as well as decorative chandeliers made of glass and brass tubes, collectively illuminate the function spaces. Inspired by the design of candelabras, the chandelier is another vivid recreation of a classic fixture in a modernised context.

Draped in a modern pattern inspired by the design of a jacquard fabric often used on the dresses of Caroline Astor, a bespoke broadloom axminster carpet covers the floor, whilst a crema bello limestone surrounds as a frame.





Playing a key role in the use of space, innovative skyfold walls allow for the division of the ballroom when required, yet are concealed within the ceiling when unutilised.

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