

Nigel Luson: Master, Worshipful Company of Turners 2023-24



Nigel is a retired banker and businessman who came to the livery world by way of the Turners Company relatively late in life. After spending 25 years living and working abroad in the financial services sector, he became a liveryman in 2013 and was elected to the Court in 2016.

The young Nigel Luson was born and spent childhood years in London and then Thames Ditton. Married to Marilyn and father to grown sons Mark and David. He was educated at Northampton GS followed by Reading University (1973-77), emerging with a BA in Economics and French. He has since studied at Manchester and London Business Schools, and in 2008 became a visiting lecturer at the European School of Economics in London.

His career was in the international arm of Lloyds Bank where he progressed to be Deputy Director for Latin America, along the way becoming fluent in Spanish and Portuguese. A specialist in investment management and corporate banking, he spent spells in Brazil, Colombia, Belgium and Luxembourg before broadening into non-executive roles in trade consultancy and oil and gas development. Sitting on a variety of trade promotion bodies he was instrumental in sealing bilateral tax treaties and putting Colombia back on to the Lord Mayor's rota of countries to visit.

Married to Marilyn since 1977, the pair have moved house 13 times, learned to live and work in five languages and are unrepentant Europhiles. Today they live just outside Reigate (East Surrey), sharing a lifelong enjoyment of golf (Cuddington GC), gardens and good company. Sons Mark and David follow successful careers in the Army and Infrastructure finance and have thus far delivered three delightful grandchildren. Nigel is an avid reader, favoring magic realism and contrarian social commentary. The promised writing career of his own remains a hurdle oft attempted but still to be surmounted.

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