



Ready? Let's get started...

1. Who said "If London is a watercolour, New York is an oil painting"?
2. The living artist of *Clocktower at Clapham Common* below spent years in Clapham, running a successful picture framers. Who is she?



3. Head past a blue oasis to skirt the church, not much changed from the watercolour by an unknown artist below. Do you know when it was first printed as an engraving?



4. Cross the Common and you will pass the painted scene below, even though the buildings are long demolished. What was their original use?



5. The Windmill is unmistakable in the painting below by a British artist, best known for his popular mail coach, fox-hunting and equine scenes. Who is he?



6. *Have a break here if you need one.* Turn right onto Windmill Drive and head for Mount Pond. When was the painting below first published?



7. Turn right at the main road. Can you spot the scene below by a top British artist? Who is he?



8. You will pass the playground and outdoor gym. The Common has always been fun - how many activities can you see below?





9. And it was also a place for an *impromptu* party! As you head back towards Holy Trinity Church, can you work out what is being celebrated?



Congratulations - you've reached the end of our Clapham art trail! We hope you enjoyed it. To return home, please go back to Clapham Common Underground station.

~ ANSWERS ~

1. The quotation is by playwright Peter Shaffer (1926-2016). He was born in Liverpool and educated at Trinity College, Cambridge. He wrote more than 18 plays including the stage classics *Equus* (1973) and *Amadeus* (1979).
2. [Clocktower at Clapham Common](#) © [Christina Bonnett](#). Christina built up a thriving picture framers and gallery in Clapham called *Outlines*. She painted many London scenes before moving to Devon in 2005, where she continues to paint landscapes, plants and people.
3. This engraving of [Holy Trinity Church](#) by an unknown artist is reproduced by kind permission of London Borough of Lambeth, Archives Department. It was published in 1809 in *Ecclesiastical Topography round London*.

4. [Rookery, Clapham Common](#) is an 1832 watercolour by Miss F Colson is reproduced by kind permission of London Borough of Lambeth, Archives Department. The buildings near Rookery Road were originally part of the Thornton House stables, then enjoyed mixed residential and commercial use. They were demolished in 1904.

5. [Painting of the Windmill Inn in 1836](#) by James Pollard (1792–1867), now in a private collection in the USA. Pollard exhibited at the Royal Academy from 1821-1839 and at the British Institution in 1824 and 1844. He died in Chelsea.

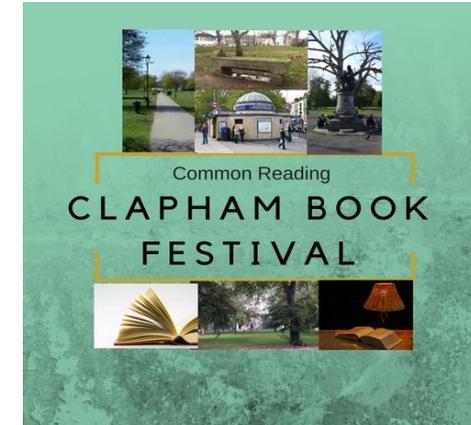
6. The artist is unknown, but the print first appeared in a book of engravings called [Six Views of Clapham Common](#), published by J. Powell in 1825.

7. This [View on Clapham Common](#) was painted c1800-1805 by Joseph Mallord Turner (1775-1851) and is in the Tate Gallery (Creative Commons CC-BY-NC-ND 3.0 (Unported)). Born in Covent Garden, Turner exhibited watercolours at the Royal Academy until 1796 when he sent his first oil, *Fishermen at Sea*, its marine subject signalling his wider ambitions as a painter. He was soon recognised as a prodigy who was to be the outstanding painter of his generation.

8. Image of [Clapham](#) courtesy of @ [Louise Braithwaite](#). Louise is a very successful living British artist, who trained as a graphic illustrator. More than 9 activities are included in her picture.

9. [Return from the Derby](#) by John Frederick Herring (1795-1865) dates from 1862 and celebrates the famous annual horse race meeting. Herring was known for his portraits of racehorses, particularly Derby winners.

CLAPHAM ART TRAIL



Local arts charity **Clapham Writers** has created this self-guided art trail around Clapham Common for you to enjoy. If you are baffled, the answers are on the back of this leaflet. Accessible throughout, it takes around 60 minutes, starting and ending at **Clapham Common Underground** station (Northern line).

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