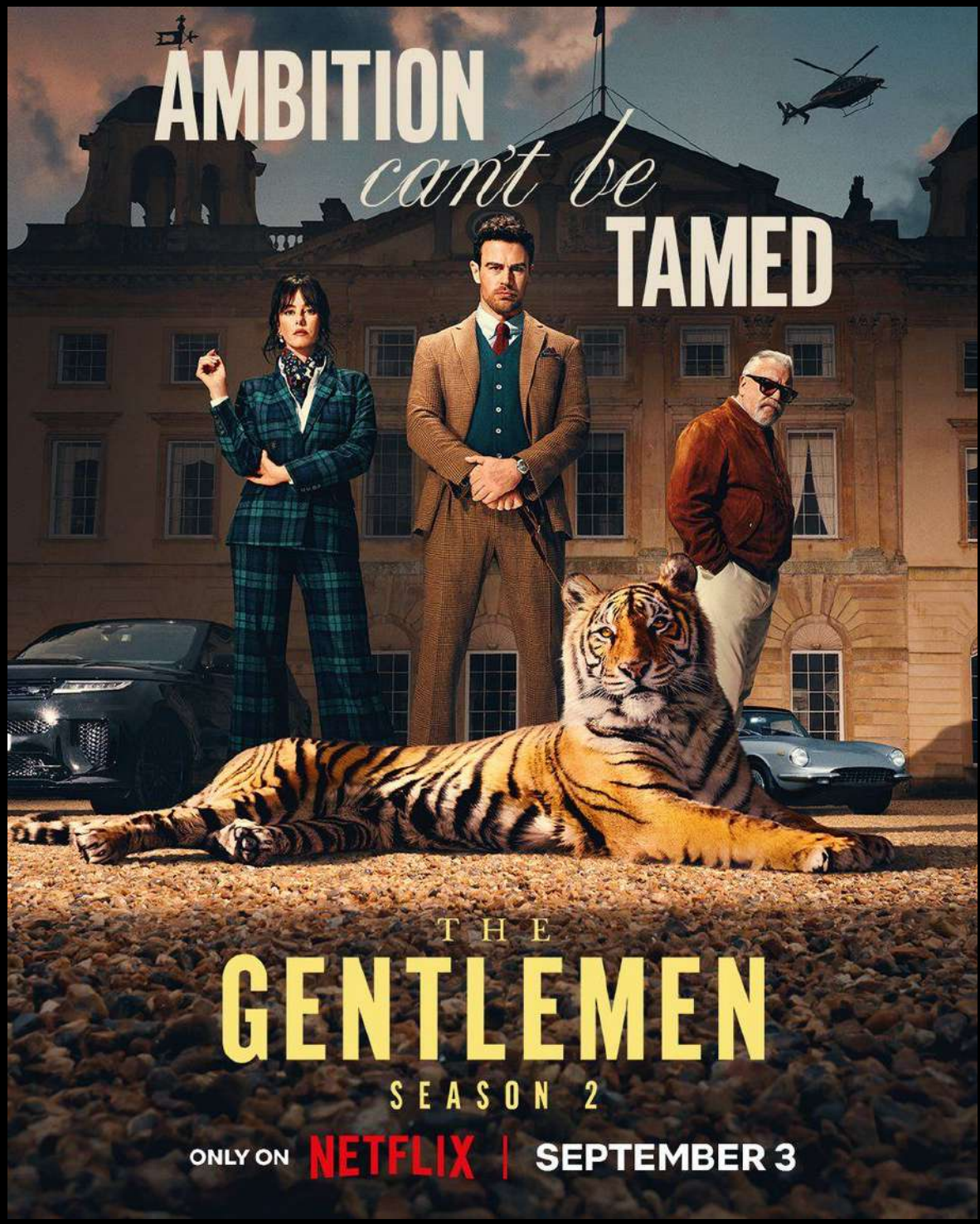
THE GENTLEMEN SEASON 2

DESIGN PRESENTATION





GENTLEMEN S2

SUPPORTING STATEMENT

Season 2 of *The Gentlemen* sees a huge evolution in the overall experience: the pace, settings, and visual style are all amplified because the stakes are so much higher. We've gone up several gears in every aspect, making aspiration a defining feature.

In Episode 6, the Horniman family travels to Lake Maggiore for the wedding of Eddie (the Duke) to Bella, an Italian countess. Finding the primary villa was our main challenge, especially given the brief requiring several other locations within walking distance: a hotel, a church, piazza cafés, and a harbour.

Once we secured the location, we explored the rich world of wedding festivities, focusing on how to blend Italian chic with British aristocratic tradition through the production design:

- **The Villa:** Seeking authentic Italian heritage, I found a beautiful but faded, grandiose family estate. It possessed extraordinary scale, colour, and panache, offering every room we required. Due to tight schedule constraints, I designed specific vignettes for the party scenes, modernising the furniture and set dressing to introduce a younger, funkier energy for Bella's family home.
- **The Hotel:** The Grand Hotel Majestic offered stunning lakeside views. We accentuated its character with vibrant colours and extravagant floral arrangements. Located just 150 yards from the villa, its communal spaces were fantastic, though the bedrooms did not quite fit our needs—so we built the bedroom interiors back in the UK to stay on schedule.
- **The Church:** Needed to seat a maximum of 100 guests, the Catholic church situated in the town square was an exquisite find. To prepare it for the ceremony, colour and florals were paramount: I collaborated with the florist on a lavish floral cascade and lined the aisles with dressed olive trees.
- **The Party:** Conceived as a daytime, intergenerational celebration, the reception featured a high-energy dance floor alongside several exterior bars designed for quiet conversations and dramatic encounters. We sourced key pieces directly from Milan, framing panoramic lake views with dramatic arched structures that repurposed the church florals.
- **The Arrivals:** A central set piece for both the episode and the wider series. We constructed and upgraded a bespoke jetty to moor Riva launches and a seaplane. For the event itself, we combined sculpted topiary with silver inflatables, while the fleet of Riva speedboats delivered effortless glamour.
- **Planes, Cars, and Boats:** We secured Riva launches directly from the historic boatyard on the lake. A striking bright yellow seaplane was flown in under special government permits, and a classic Ferrari 330 GTS Spyder was brought in as a lavish wedding gift. For the crash sequence, we fabricated realistic plane wreckage scattered across the roadway.
- **London meets Italy:** Blending these two aesthetics required leaning fully into each distinct identity—heightening Italian flair while sharpening British aristocratic hallmarks. When these two design worlds collide, the visual contrast sparks immediate tension.
- **Hunting, Shooting, Fishing:** We elevated the traditional field sports aesthetic across the board. The shoot sequences were dialed up: we sourced and froze 200 partridges to fire through practical mortars, partnered with prestigious gunmakers for bespoke firearms, and custom-built display cabinetry across the estate interiors.

Every creative choice was anchored in crafting a world noticeably more affluent, decadent, and visually striking. It was an absolute joy to bring to life.

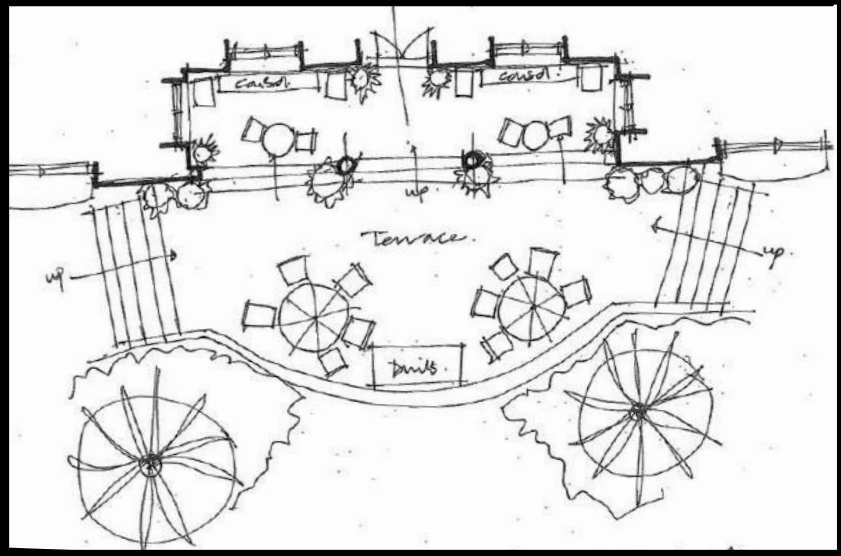
SET 55

BELLA'S VILLA

ITALIAN LOCATION BUILD

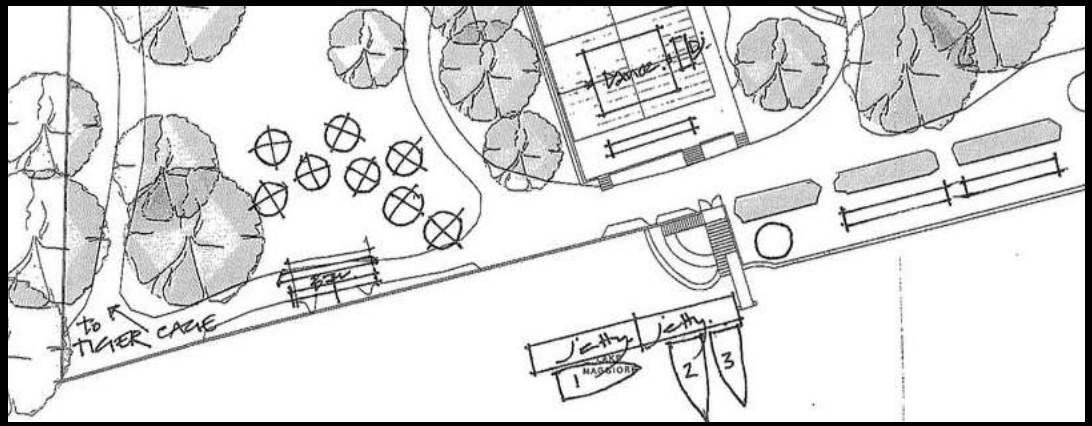
















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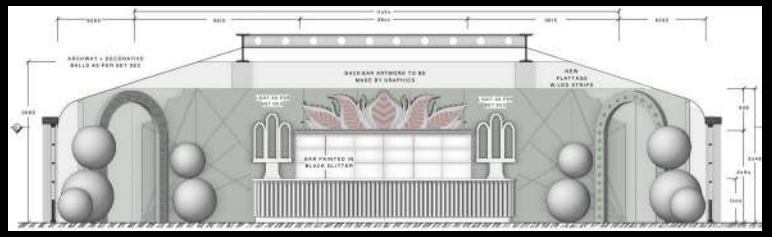
BELLA'S VILLA PARTY

ITALIAN LOCATION BUILD



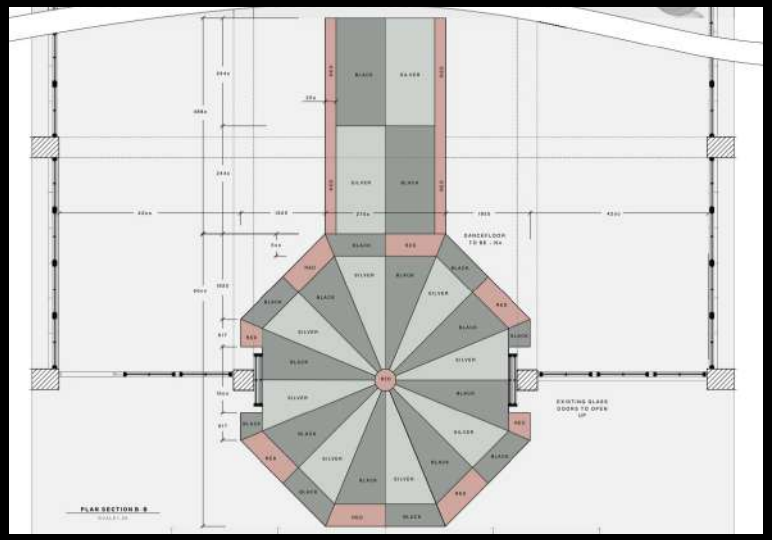












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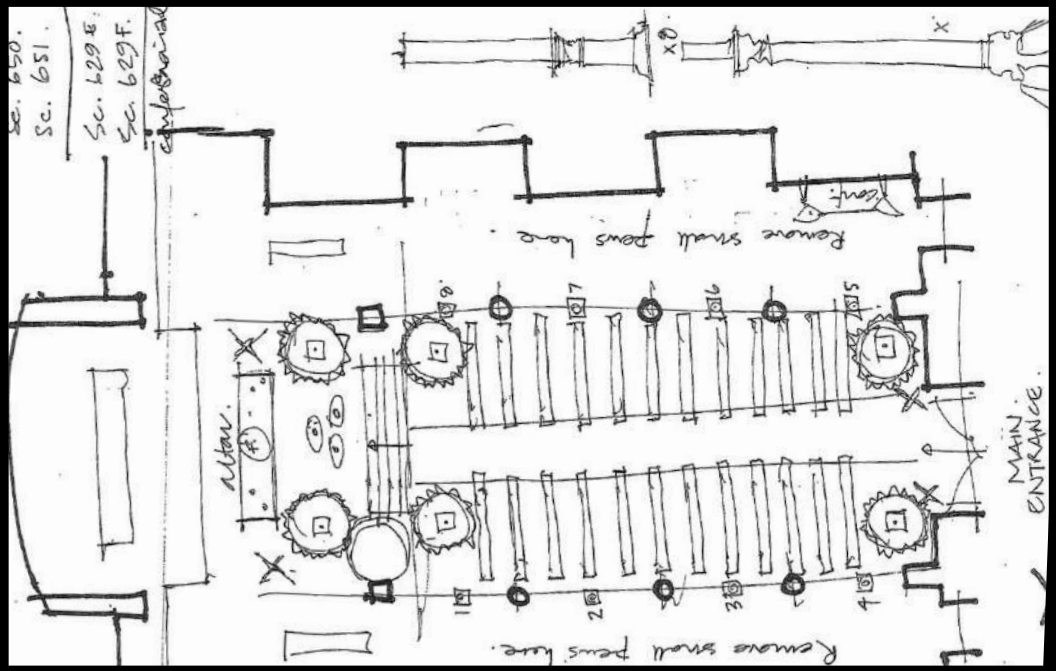
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ITALIAN LOCATION BUILD





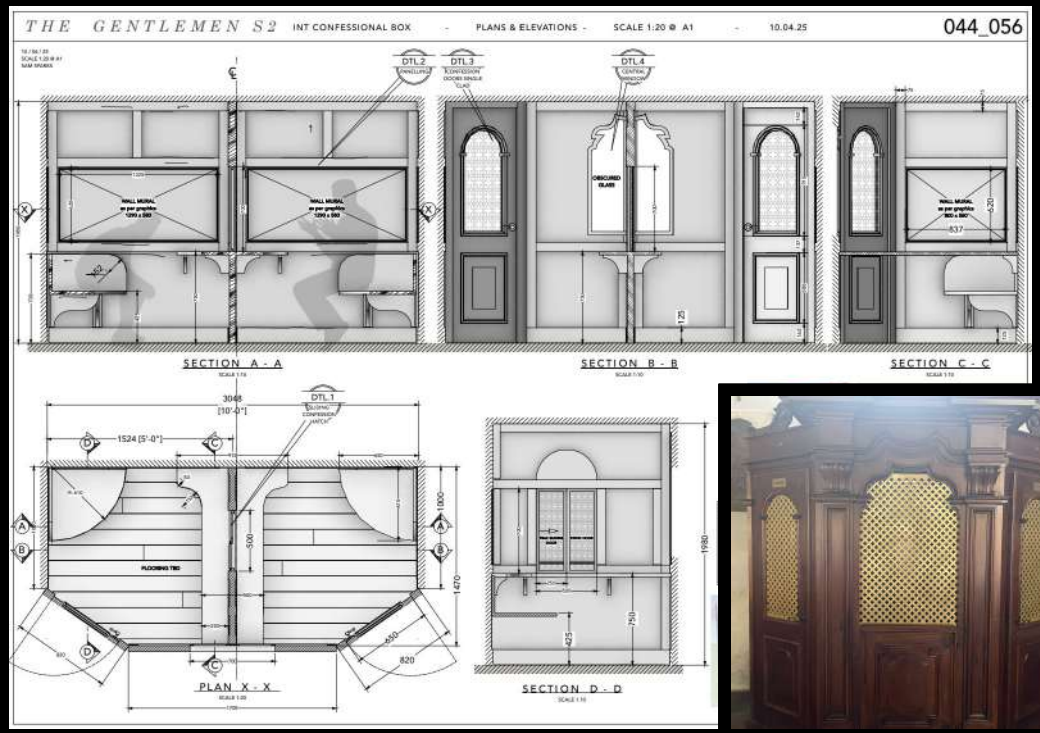












SET 56

GRAND HOTEL

ITALIAN LOCATION BUILD

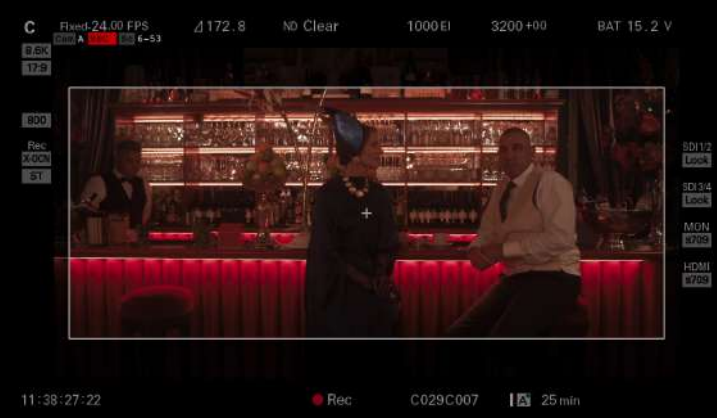
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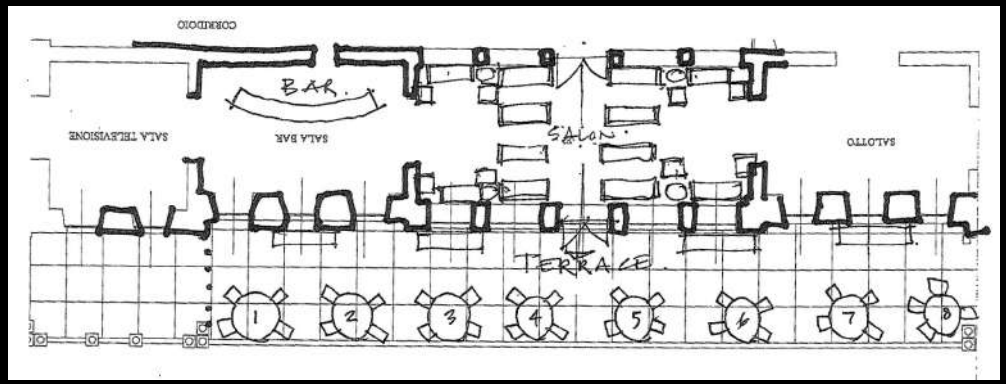
















SET 12

RUSSIAN PRISON BANYA

UK LOCATION BUILD



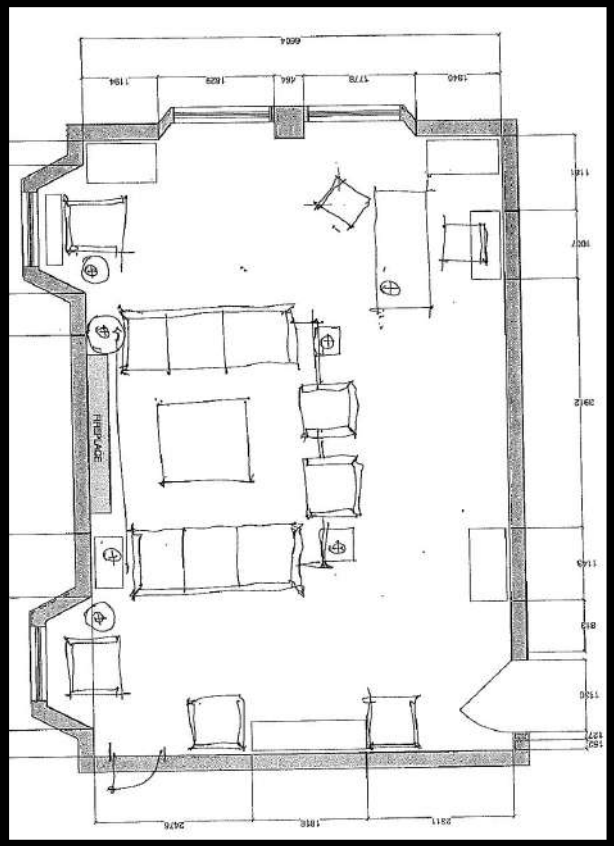


SET 22

EDDIE'S OFFICE

UK LOCATION BUILD













SET 23

HALSTEAD MANOR PEGS

UK LOCATION BUILD







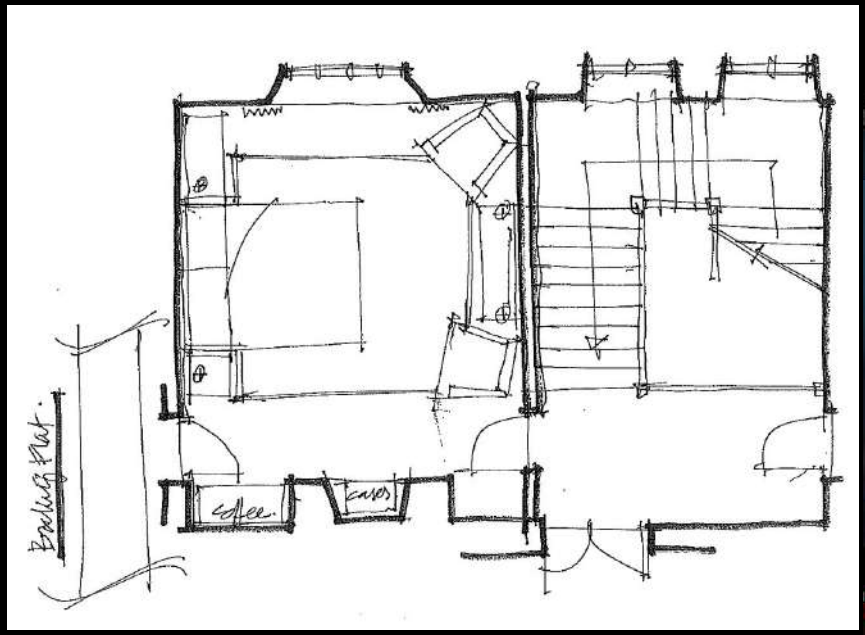


SET 82

MASKED BALL BEDROOM

UK LOCATION BUILD









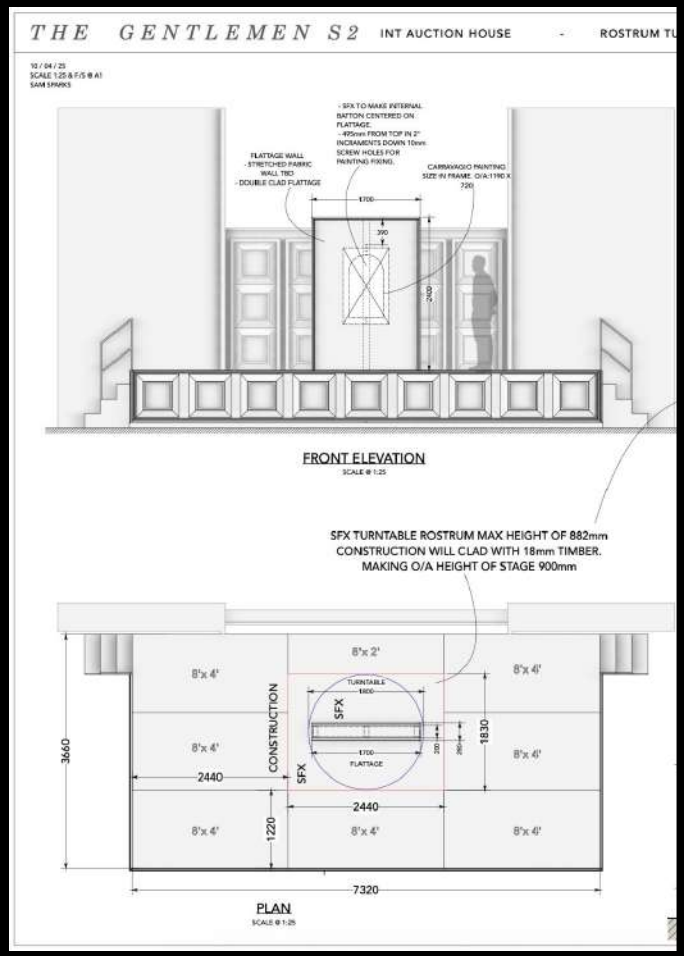




SET 43

AUCTION HOUSE

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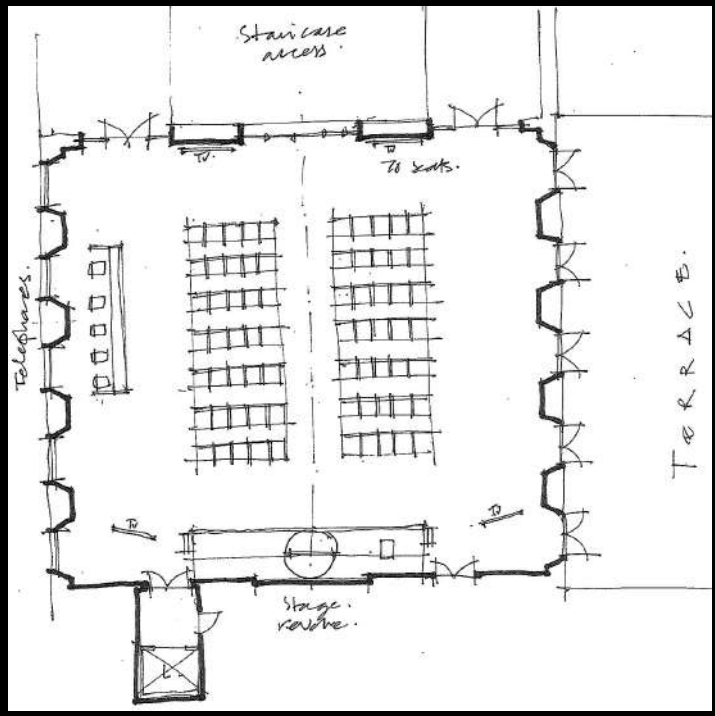














SET 07

TIGER LODGE

UK LOCATION BUILD

