

The Baker Street Irregulars 2025 Birthday Weekend

Registration & Reservations
January 16–18, 2025 in New York City

Last Updated: December 5, 2024

Registration is Closed for BSI Events for the 2025 BSI Weekend

Other Sherlockian events for the 2025 Weekend have **different** deadlines.
For details, see the "2025 BSI Weekend Timeline" on our [Plans for the 2025 BSI Weekend](#) web page.

The material on the pages below is provided for reference only.

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General Public Reservation Form

Please KEEP A COPY OF THIS FORM FOR YOUR REFERENCE

Your email confirmation will NOT include details of your reservation

BSI Distinguished Speaker's Lecture – Thursday, January 16, 2025 @ 6:15-7:30 PM at **New York City Bar Association (42 West 44th Street)**

_____ Lecture reservations at \$21.00 each – = \$ _____

Baker Street Journal Annual Subscription (choose one option)

2025 one-year U.S. subscription (4 issues+ 2025 Christmas Annual) @ \$46.00 = \$ _____

2025 one-year international subscription (4 issues + 2025 Christmas Annual) @ US\$60.00 **US** **INTL**

Prepaid Lodgings - BSI tax-free (NY hotel taxes are approximately 20-25%)

Check-In Date _____ Check-Out Date _____ For BSI tax-free rate, **SEE PAYMENT OPTIONS** below

THE WESTIN GRAND CENTRAL HOTEL, 212 E. 42nd Street, New York, NY 10017:

Room type (Choose one)

Traditional Double @ \$210.00 nightly x _____ nights = \$ _____

Traditional King @ \$210.00 nightly x _____ nights = \$ _____

Premium Corner Room (King) @ \$260.00 nightly x _____ nights = \$ _____

Suite (limited number available) @ \$505.00 nightly x _____ nights = \$ _____

Enclosed Payment TOTAL (Please Check Math) = \$ _____

PAYMENT OPTIONS:

1. **DOMESTIC:** **Pay only** by US\$ personal or bank check, or money order, for Total amount indicated above, payable to **The Baker Street Irregulars**, AND **mail payment with this form to arrive no later than DECEMBER 4, 2024** to:

Greg D. Ruby - The Baker Street Irregulars
365 Pleasanton Road, #14 - Westminster, MD 21157

2. **INTERNATIONAL:** Please email Greg Ruby at EventReg@BakerStreetIrregulars.com to **request a PayPal invoice** with which to make your payment. **Otherwise, payment must be made in US\$ by international money order and must be received by DECEMBER 4. Please note: Reservations cannot be assured if payment is received after these deadlines**

NAME(S) TO APPEAR ON NAME

BADGE(S): _____

CURRENT

ADDRESS: _____

CURRENT EMAIL ADDRESS (for CONFIRMATION): _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER: _____ **CELL / RESIDENCE / OFFICE** (please circle phone type)

PLEASE CHECK HERE [_____] IF ANY OF THE ABOVE CONTACT INFORMATION HAS CHANGED SINCE LAST YEAR.

Registration and Lodging is NOT refundable unless the event(s) are cancelled.

Send registration questions to <EventReg@BakerStreetIrregulars.com>.

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General Weekend Summary for January 16–18, 2025

Birthday Weekend lodgings are available at special BSI group rates at the **Westin Grand Central Hotel**, 212 East 42nd Street (0.5 miles from The Yale Club). The Westin is a non-smoking full-service hotel; breakfast is available, but not included in room rates; incidentals you may charge to your room must be paid for at check-out. **You must use the BSI Weekend Reservation Form to reserve your room to get our special rates.** If you instead book directly with the Westin, you *will not* receive the BSI rates, and you *will* pay New York City and State taxes, and any property resort fees, adding approximately 20-25% to your total hotel bill. **Please do not directly contact the Westin to make or modify your reservations.**

BSI Events commence on Thursday, January 16, at 6:15 pm with our annual **BSI Distinguished Speaker Lecture** at the New York City Bar Association, Meeting Hall (42 West 44th Street). Our 2025 speaker will be author, director and screenwriter, Graham Moore. He is known for his 2010 novel, *The Sherlockian*, and for his screenplay for *The Imitation Game*, starring Benedict Cumberbatch, won the 2014 Academy Award. Admission is by advance purchase only, and no tickets will be sold at the door. (Pre-paid attendees will be verified upon check-in at the door.)

On Saturday, January 18, Sherlockian Vendors will set up shop in the **BSI Merchants Room** at the **Westin Grand Central Hotel** (212 East 42nd Street) Madison Ballroom, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Vendor table information is available from Ralph & Debbie Hall, 2906 Wallingford Court, Louisville, KY 40218, by email at <Bugmanhall@aol.com> or by phone at 502-491-3148. Early booking is encouraged--tables sell out every year.

The BSI asks that **no electronic devices be used** for photographs, filming, texting, tweeting or recording at the *BSI Distinguished Speaker Lecture*, nor at the Friday evening *BSI Dinner* or the pre-*Dinner* cocktail hour. However, there are no prohibitions at any other BSI function throughout the weekend.

The **BSI's Dr. John H. Watson Fund** offers financial assistance to Sherlockians otherwise unable to participate in BSI Weekend festivities; BSI membership is not required. A pseudonymous John H. Watson presides over the fund and welcomes contributions (check payable to John H. Watson Fund) and mailed to Dr. John H. Watson c/o The Baker Street Irregulars, 3040 Sloat Road, Pebble Beach, CA 93953. These are passed on, unopened, to Dr. Watson, who will acknowledge all contributions. Requests for assistance should be sent **immediately** to Dr. Watson at <PW101968@aol.com>. To ensure timely processing, the request for assistance deadline is DECEMBER 1, 2024.

BSI Dinner mementos for inclusion in the Dinner Packets, are again encouraged, welcomed and appreciated. They should be sent in a **quantity of 220** (for the BSI Dinner and the "The Woman" Dinner) to Alex Katz at 11 Van Beuren Road, Morristown, NJ 07960-7008. Please ship them so that they arrive no later than DECEMBER 12, 2024. We will be unable to include items that arrive after December 12.

Information on some **other Weekend Events**, which require separate registrations and may have different deadlines, is available on the BSI website's "Plans for the 2025 BSI Weekend" page via <<https://bakerstreetirregulars.com/tag/event>>.

COVID Policy: If you have tested positive for COVID within five (5) days of a BSI-hosted event, please do not attend the event. And, if you have been exposed to someone who has recently had COVID, please be sure that you also test negative for COVID prior to attending any BSI event. For more details and **any changes** to our policy, check our online PDF after January 1, 2025 at: <https://files.bakerstreetirregulars.com/bsi-event-covid-19.pdf>

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