

Adem Osman (New York – January 2001) born 5th July 1978 – 2013 Deceased

We are extremely sorry to have to pass on this sad news, but Adem Osman (New York January 2001) died very recently after a yearlong fight with cancer. Two of Adem's close friends and fellow interns, Emma Philpott and Oliver Stribling (both also NY Programme – January 2001), have written the following moving eulogy for their greatly missed friend.

“Adem attended the Mountbatten Programme from January 2001 to 2002. Ad worked initially for TradeARBED and then the Cambodia Trust, where he organised numerous charity events raising both money and the profile for land mine victims in Cambodia.

After returning to the UK in 2002, Ad studied for a Master's Degree at Manchester University, before starting work for the London Development Agency. Ad worked tirelessly on the London 2012 Olympic bid and his work for the Development Agency was instrumental in bringing the Olympics to the UK.

Following on from this, Ad then moved on to work for Transport for London, where his projects included bringing the Tour De France to London, improving the underground, and, finally establishing the London Cycle Hire Scheme.

After his year in Mountbatten, Ad always had a taste for travel, adventure, and enjoying exciting holidays, including trekking to Everest Base Camp.

In 2010 Adem decided to take a year out to travel around the world starting in South America, travelling to New Zealand and Australia, and then Asia before returning back to the UK in 2011.

Upon returning to the UK, Ad decided he wanted a change in career direction, and purchased, along with his Dad, a restaurant and bar in central London called Loose Canon. Ad used the experience and skills he had acquired during his Mountbatten internship and his subsequent jobs, to make the restaurant a thriving business and events venue in very hard economic times.

Ad was a fantastic friend and was an inspiration to all that knew him. All his family and friends will miss him greatly.”

Among those who cared for Adem over the past year was St Joseph's Hospice in Hackney. The hospice does not just provide medical care; they also provide emotional support for terminally ill patients and their families. Before his passing, Adem requested donations to be made to this hospice. Any donations kindly made will ensure that the nurses at St Joseph's can continue their vital work in future for other families in similar situations.

Donations can be made via the JustGiving web page set up by his sister Denize
<http://www.justgiving.com/AdamOsman>

Or, alternatively if you would prefer to send a cheque, please make it payable to "St Joseph's Hospice", with "In Memory of Adam Osman" written on the back and send it to St Joseph's Hospice, Mare Street, London E8 4SA

Emma and Oli

The Mountbatten Institute would like to express our sincerest condolences to Adem's family and friends, and hope they derive some comfort from the fact that he was such an inspiration to those who were close to him.