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I'VE GRADUATED... SO WHAT NOW?!

Following the success of a series of student focused webinars over the last year, the Sussex branch of the **Institute of Hospitality** are back with another highly relevant and topical panel event '**I've graduated . . . So what now?!**' on the 15th June 2021 at 1pm which will be chaired by our own **Mark Ashton** of the **School of Hospitality and Tourism Management** at University of Surrey.

In this digest, guest contributor, **Rachael Stevens**, chair of the **Sussex Branch**, outlines what students can expect of this event and catches up with some of the panellists to gain their insight too.

Have a great weekend!



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The **Institute of Hospitality Sussex Branch** are back with a free event that is specifically designed for all students, graduates and educators. We are giving you the opportunity to discuss what the future may hold for you within the Hospitality/Leisure/Events/Tourism sector. The event offers you the unique experience of speaking directly with prospective employers and professionals within the industry to seek advice and guidance on how to succeed with your own Hospitality careers.

You will gain insight from industry leaders into the current climate and discover top tips for what you can be doing now as you look to take your next steps and our industry starts to rebuild itself.

This invitation is offered to all students, graduates, educational professionals and both members and non-members of the Institute to sign up, join us and submit any questions you may have in advance for our panel (noted below) to answer.



EVENT DETAILS AND REGISTRATION:

I'VE GRADUATED... SO WHAT NOW?! 2021 -
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Anthony Pender – Co-Founder, Yummy Pubs

Sally Beck – General Manager, The Royal Lancaster

Rupert Fitzmaurice – CEO, Event Academy

Emily Kirk – Graduate recruitment and development officer, Red Carnation Hotels

Peter Avis – General Manager, Galvin at Windows

Ahead of the session, **Rupert** told us 'I'm keen to help where I can, students work hard to graduate and their reward should be a job. The hospitality and events industries have had a tougher time than most over the last year and anyone looking to start their careers have had to wait too long to get going. As things improve, jobs are appearing and with them opportunities for everyone to make up for lost time. So if this session can help, I'm all for it' and **Peter** added 'I am really looking forward to joining the panel for the 'I've graduated... so what now?!'. Now more than ever, we all have a massive responsibility to showcase what an amazing industry hospitality is, I am really looking forward to discussing the fantastic opportunities that come with a career within our great sector! I will be sharing some of the best advice I was given when I started out on my journey'.