

# *The Record Reign* *of Queen Elizabeth II*

**On 9 September 2015, Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II will reach a remarkable milestone, becoming the longest-reigning monarch in Britain's history, a position previously held by her great-great grandmother, Queen Victoria.**

In 1897, *Illustrated London News* paid tribute to Victoria's era-defining monarchy with *A Record Number of a Record Reign*. A beautiful commemorative publication, it honoured Queen Victoria's reign and the wonderful accomplishments of Victorian Britain.

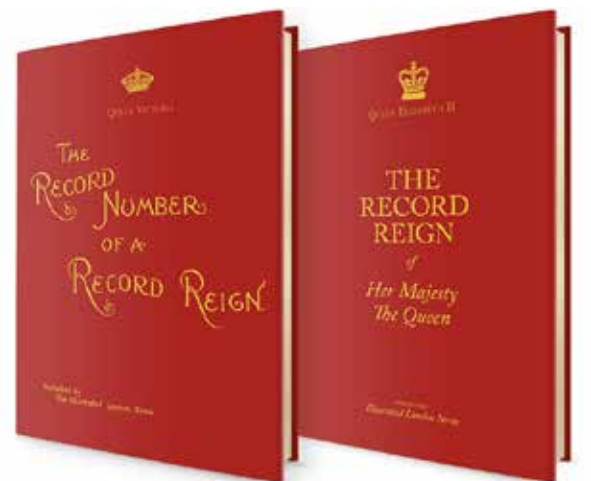
Now in 2015, we are delighted to be collaborating with the Royal Warrant Holders Association and including a dedicated section "By Royal Appointment" in *The Record Reign of Elizabeth II*. It will celebrate her extraordinary time on the throne and remember the singular legacy of Queen Victoria. With thoughtful editorial and unseen archival images, it will reflect on how Britain and the monarchy have evolved under the reigns of two remarkable sovereigns.



Portrait of H.M. Queen Elizabeth II by Terence Cuneo, painted for *The Illustrated London News* to celebrate the Queen's Coronation in 1953

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35,000 copies of the publication will be on sale at WHSmith, Waitrose and Sainsbury's newsstands. It will also be available from key travel newsstands overseas, as well as in British Airways First and Club Class and BA lounges in the UK. The edition will also be produced as an iPad App and sold via the Apple store.

Following the success of *The Illustrated Diamond Jubilee*, which was the best-selling bookazine by WH Smith in 2012, we will publish *The Record Reign*. The bookazine will be a popular historical account of the Queen's reign including smaller image-led features and entertaining vignettes. With insights on Victoria's reign and the shared contribution of both queens, it will also highlight the contribution of QEST (The Queen Elizabeth Scholarship Trust) and the work of Royal Warrant Holders.

## HIGHLIGHTS

- Newly commissioned exclusive portrait of Queen Elizabeth by QEST artist Alastair Barford
- Foreword by Prime Minister David Cameron
- The Queen, a biography by Robert Hardman
- Comparisons of Queen Victoria and Queen Elizabeth at key moments in their lives
- The working life of the Queen
- The technology and communications revolutions
- A timeline of Queen Elizabeth II's reign
- The Queen's Diamond Jubilee Celebrations
- QEST and British craft education
- Royal Warrant Holders and British business



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### VOLUME 1: VICTORIA

A reproduction of the 1897 publication, *A Record Number of a Record Reign*. Having become the longest-serving British monarch in September 1896, this beautiful book celebrates Queen Victoria's achievements in her Diamond Jubilee year.

### VOLUME 2: ELIZABETH II

An equally beautiful record of Queen Elizabeth's reign, celebrating her life and the developments of the last 63 years.

**Contents will include:**

- Foreword by Prime Minister David Cameron
- Introduction by Robert Hardman
- Victoria's remarkable legacy
- Queen Elizabeth II as stateswoman
- The royal family tree
- Science and technology
- Travel
- British business/British reputation
- The Commonwealth
- Arts and culture



*A Record Number of a Record Reign*, illustration of Queen Victoria in 1837



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