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On the Eve of Brexit, Elton John Welcomed Luminaries into His Home for a More Hopeful Affair

Elton John and David Furnish hosted the third Woodside Gallery Dinner for the Elton John AIDS Foundation.

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ELTON JOHN, DAVID FURNISH, AND DAVID WALLIAMS
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MARIA ALIEDA AND ANDREA BOCELLI
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ROMERO BRITTO AND ELTON JOHN
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Last night, **Elton John** and **David Furnish** invited guests including **Kevin Spacey**, **Elizabeth Hurley**, **David Walliams**, and **Valentino** to their home for an intimate event. The third annual Woodside Gallery Dinner, a fund-raiser for the Elton John AIDS Foundation, included a video address from Secretary of State **John Kerry**, dinner, a surprise performance from **Andrea Bocelli**, a stage show from mentalist **Lior Suchard**, and an auction. The affair raised over £3.3 million.

"This is an event I really love," John said about the evening. "It's a chance for us to welcome guests into our home to share an intimate evening where we really get to talk to everyone. To be able to thank people for their extraordinary generosity is a special treat. Not only do we do great work because of this dinner, but the fun of performing and the pleasure of hearing the fabulous performers in such a private setting is incredible. I just wish I could control English weather!"