

OPPORTUNITIES FOR ARTISTS

About The Green Man Gallery

The Green Man Gallery aims to:

- encourage, promote and exhibit the highest standards of individual and collaborative work by professional and aspiring artists, writers and performers;
- develop its potential as an arts venue by offering an innovative and inclusive programme of workshops, talks and performances.
- continue to establish itself as a Creative Hub for Buxton

The gallery is independent and is managed and run by its artist members with help from a team of volunteers from the local community. It currently has no funding and no paid staff.

The gallery takes up the ground, mezzanine and first floors of a large Victorian building in central Buxton, Hardwick Hall. The ground floor gallery is in a former ballroom which is fully accessible by wheelchair (via ramps). There are ground floor toilets but unfortunately the cubicles are not large enough to accommodate wheelchairs. The mezzanine and first floors are only accessible by stairs.

The Green Man Gallery is normally open for 6 days a week from August to June (closed to the public on Thursdays) and every day in July.

How artists can get involved

1) Membership

Full members pay a monthly subscription of £30 and 20% commission on sales in return for permanent hanging/display space which is divided fairly. Members are required to play a full part in the management and day-to-day running of the Green Man and need to be able to commit at least 7 hours per week to doing shifts in the gallery and other management tasks.

There are occasionally vacancies for Associate Members (half the space and commitment of a full member).

Members must be over 18. Please email Caroline Small for detailed information on how gallery membership works and to apply.

hello@thegreenmangallery.com

2) Guest Exhibitions (2D and 3D work)

Artists can hire space for solo or group guest exhibitions which usually run for one month. There is a very high demand so please contact us in good time to discuss dates. We give priority to artists based in Derbyshire, the Peak District and Peak District borders but artists from elsewhere are not excluded.

Hire charges for exhibition space are based on our ground floor display screens (8' x 4') which cost £20 per screen per month. Minimum hire is usually four screens and includes floor space for print browsers, card displays etc. Commission on work sold is 30%.

We hold a launch event for each new exhibition and promote guest artists' work to our mailing list, on our Facebook page and website and in the local press. Artists can also hold demonstrations, workshops and talks to promote their work and sell prints and cards for the duration of the exhibition.

Guest artists must have Public and Products Liability Insurance which covers them to exhibit work. If you require information about this, please contact us.

The Green Man Gallery supports the promotion of guest exhibitions as follows:

- Ensure that the exhibition is open at the times stated
- Promote the exhibition to gallery visitors
- Liaise with the artists to create a poster to advertise the exhibition.
- Advertise the exhibition and related events on The Green Man website; on Facebook; to the gallery mailing list (currently 1,400+ subscribers); in Pure Peak magazine (deadlines permitting) and on various listings websites.
- Host a launch event.

Artists sometimes give presentations/ talks/ demonstrations during the launch. Our Events Manager, Caroline Small, can help with booking live music for your launch if you would like this. Payment is between you and the musician(s) concerned.

Email our Guest Exhibitions Co-ordinator, Jenny McKenzie **guestartists@thegreenmangallery.com** for further information.

3) Guest Designer Makers in the Shop

Local designers and makers who do not require hanging space can submit work for display and sale in the shop area on the ground floor. The current commission basis is 40% plus one shift (morning or afternoon) on duty in the gallery per month OR 30% plus two shifts OR 50% if you cannot cover shifts.

Staffing is our biggest challenge and it's to everyone's advantage for the gallery to be open as much as possible. Working in the gallery puts makers in contact with potential customers and enables them to refresh their stock regularly. Our shifts are from 10.30am to 1.30pm or 1.30pm to 4.30pm. (In July, 10.30am to 2pm or 2pm to 5.30pm)

Designer makers must also have Public Liability Insurance which covers them to exhibit work. The shop is a great place to display jewellery, small ceramics and glass pieces, wooden items, handmade toys, textiles etc

Email Jo Spencer on shop@thegreenmangallery.com for more information and to apply to sell your work at the gallery.

4) Workshops and Events: Spaces for Hire

As well as showing and selling work, the gallery also hosts an exciting range of events, workshops and exhibitions by local community arts organisations and other artists.

We have spaces suitable for visual arts and craft workshops and also for music, spoken word and small-scale theatre, receptions, presentations and talks.

Gallery members can hire space for workshops and events at discounted rates. Rates for external artists and organisations are very reasonable.

For detailed information about hiring space at the gallery, please email our events manager, Caroline Small, on hello@thegreenmangallery.com

If you have an idea for an event and would like to discuss it, please phone Caroline directly on 01298 72068 or 07940 333352. We are very flexible and keen to hear from artists and others with innovative projects.

For details of our events visit our website What's On page

www.thegreenmangallery.com/whats-on/



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The gallery is currently closed
due to national lockdown

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