



Nature in Art Museum and Gallery

Education Pack 2026-2027



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What is Nature in Art?

Nature in Art is the world's first museum dedicated exclusively to art inspired by nature. Located 2 miles north of Gloucester, the whole collection is housed in a Georgian mansion. Twice specially commended in the National Heritage Museum of the Year Awards, its changing displays embrace two and three-dimensional work in all mediums and styles. Spanning 1500 years the collection contains work by 600 artists from over 50 countries.



Artists in Residence

Our artist in residence programme offers the student a unique opportunity to meet and see professional artists at work. Each year we welcome over 60 artists to work in the art studio, each one staying for a week (Tuesday to Sunday). Most are from the UK, others come from abroad, reflecting the international flavour and importance of the museum collection. Inevitably, a huge variety of styles and media are included.

Our facilities

We have a purpose built education centre with dedicated education staff and volunteers. The education centre has a classroom where all the messy practical activities are held and the atrium which is used for dry and clean activities. This means that there is always an indoor space for lunch just in case the weather is bad. We have picnic tables and benches and there is also a play area to burn off energy. We also only accept one school at a time so you know you will have our undivided attention!



Our policy is to encourage young people to learn through the enjoyment of practical activities and new experiences in a stimulating environment. Schools are encouraged to view the current exhibition in the gallery as well as undertaking practical activities. In addition to the education staff, artists in residence demonstrate their work in a variety of different media. We cater for students at all levels from infants to adults and for those with special needs.

The fantastic garden is a safe and secure place for young people to explore the wildlife, artists sculptures and fun play area. We have a variety of planted beds and a small apple orchard which our volunteers have been honing, as well as some beautiful wildflower spots where the nature is encouraged to flourish freely.



Education Programme

We welcome one education group per day so you can receive our full attention. The art workshops that are on offer are National Curriculum aligned and can be tailored to themes or topics that are being completed in school - this can be discussed when reaching out to our Education Officer.

Each art workshop is up to an hour and by the end the pupils will have an amazing piece of artwork, feel creatively nourished, and would have gained a new skill.

You can choose a full day itinerary or half day itinerary, depending if you wish to do one or two art workshops. The final activity which all groups are encouraged to take part in is the self-guided tour of our artist in residence, gallery and sculpture garden.

Full day itinerary:

10.00 - 10.15	Arrive and Welcome
10.15 - 11.15	Activity one
11.15 - 11.30	Break
11.30 - 12.30	Activity two
12.30 - 1.15	Lunch
1.15 - 2.15	Activity three - self led tour around the museum, garden and artist in residence
2.15 - 2.30	Depart

*timings can be adjusted.

Half-day itinerary:

10.00 - 10.15	Arrive and Welcome
10.15 - 11.15	Activity one
11.15 - 11.30	Break
11.30 - 12.30	Activity two - self led tour around the museum, garden and artist in residence.
12.30 - 1.15	Lunch then depart

*times can be altered for an afternoon visit,



Tailoring your day:

We love the chance to make the day a unique experience for your school. We have tailored our workshops to a variety of themes such as Giacometti, Egyptians, Vikings, Landmarks and so much more. Please submit any specific theme or topic requests to the Education Officer at least 2 weeks before your trip.

Art Workshops

Please choose one or two art workshops. They can be from any of the categories and there may be a small extra cost per pupil. These costs are displayed below.

Printing Workshops - We have two colour printing with our poly prints or be inspired by W. Morris and create stamps with card, foam and pencils.



Polystyrene Printing: £1.00



William Morris stamps: £0.50

Sculpture Workshops - Create an amazing wire sculpture or use clay to create 3d artwork. We offer a wide variety of outcomes for clay and can also tailor it to your own topic.



Clay: £1.00



Butterfly or Flower Wire Sculptures: £1.50

Textile Workshops - Have a go at either batik with hot wax and fabric dyes, mindful wool weaving or wet felting with natural fibers.



Batik: £1.00



Weaving: £0.50



Wet Felt: £1.00

Art Workshops Continued

Paint Workshops - We can get messy with shaving foam marbling and collage or have a go at some watercolour techniques and then use pen to add detail.



Shaving foam marbling: £0.50



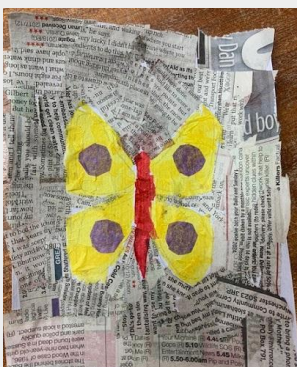
Watercolour and Pen: £0.50

Sketching Workshops - For our nature journals, pupils first make their own then we explore the garden and take a mixed media approach with sketching, watercolour, leaf rubbing and more for children to explore their creativity.



Nature Journals: £0.25

Free Workshops - In these artist inspired workshops, we do newspaper and tissue paper collage or an Goldsworthy workshop in which artwork out of natural materials are created.



Megan Coyle Collage: Free



Andy Goldsworthy Art: Free

Secondary Schools

Specialist Workshops for Secondary School Only:



Mosaic Tiles - £1.00

Use an array of colourful tiles to design and create your own mosaic.



Lino Printing - £1.00

In this advanced session, pupils will use tools to cut into lino and create their own prints.

*Secondary schools are very welcome to pick from our previous workshop list and have them tailored to the needs of their pupils.

Artist Workshop:

Grahame Tucker: (<http://www.grahametucker.co.uk/>)

Grahame looks at different ways of using card to create dynamic three dimensional constructions using simple folding, scoring and cutting techniques easily accessible for all abilities. Quality outcomes naturally follow !

***£100 for a 2 hour session.**

Please request artist workshop when enquiring with our education officer. They will get in touch with Grahame to look at the possibility of an artist workshop for your visit.



Talks and Shop

Talks:

We can have talks available that can be given to groups of 30 or less for one day trip. Our Education Officer can give you more information about how to book a talk when you make your enquiry.

The History of Wallsworth Hall:

Learn about the history of the house and the journey taken to make it into the successful Nature in Art. Look back on images from the 1750's through to the war years and to the alterations made to turn it into a gallery. Approx 30 minutes.

Museums and Conservation:

Ever wondered what it is like to work in a museum or gallery? In this talk, our director will talk through how the museum is run, what skills are needed to take care of artefacts and artwork and all the interesting and exciting experiences that can be had in the heritage sector. Approx 30 minutes.

Goody Bags:

Although visiting the shop is always good fun sometimes it can take up valuable time during your museum visit. To solve this you can pre order goody bags when contacting Education officer and will be added to invoice.

Prices are £2.00 per goody bag.



Pricing

60+ student £6.00 (inc VAT) per student

20+ students £6.50* (inc VAT) per student

11+ students £7.00* (inc VAT) per student

10 or less students £75.00* (inc VAT) per group

*Plus any material costs (please see previous pages for activities)

Teachers and adult helpers free.

When we contact a week prior to your trip, we ask for confirmation of numbers. This will be the number that we use for our invoices. Payment can be made either on the day or an invoice can be sent.

Payments may be sent to:

Nature in Art Trust

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Important Information

Access:

- The museum and education centre are accessible to wheelchair users. There are ramps to gain access, wheelchair user toilets and a lift in the museum, but there are some size restrictions. Please enquire if you have any concerns.
- Quieter days can be recommended for those who need workshop breaks and a calm environment.
- Sculptures that can be touched are placed at a level accessible from a wheelchair and labels are set at an appropriate height.
- Suitable objects for handling can be provided for those with visual impairment. Please arrange this with us in advance of your visit.
- With assistance, the garden is wheelchair accessible. If you are in need of any support let us know prior to your visit.

Responsibility:

All staff and volunteers at Nature in Art will keep the space a safe place to visit, however, responsibility of school pupils remain wholly with the school and adult members attending the trip. We have First Aid trained members of staff and first aid kit, but strongly recommend someone from the school who is first aid trained should be in attendance for pupils.

Group Sizes:

At Nature in Art, we can accommodate a **maximum of 75 pupils** for one day trip to complete two art workshops. For groups of 50 or less, we ask teachers to the pupils split into 2 even groups to rotate around the art workshops in the morning and then look around the gallery after lunch. For more than 50 pupils, we will ask teachers split into 3 even groups and rotate in a through the three activities. If you wish to bring more than 75 pupils in one day, please contact our education officer.





Booking

Next steps:

Please contact our Education Officer via phone or email with the following information:

- Date or time of year you would be interested in visiting.
- Year group
- Number of pupils
- Which one or two art activities you would like to do.
- Any specific theme or topic you would like to link your artwork to.

Our Education Officer will get back to you as soon as they can to get you all booked in. Once you are booked, we will get in contact once more a week before your trip to confirm numbers and for any extra information we need to get. We allow a 10% margin for pupil absences on the day.

At the end of your trip, all artwork will be boxed up to take home with you on the coach. Invoice will be issued within the next week.



We hope to see you soon for a school trip to Nature in Art!

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