



GALLERY OLDHAM

School Programme 2008 - 09

Nursery, Reception, KS1 & 2

We are pleased to enclose information about the new and exciting range of workshops and activities currently offered by Gallery Oldham, inspired by our exhibition programme, collections and building. As well as linking into the QCA scheme of work, these workshops link into the National Literacy Strategy and promote the use of a range of reading, writing, speaking and listening skills.

The sessions last 2 hours for KS1 & 2 and 1 hour 15 minutes for reception and nursery. Sessions normally start at 10am and 1pm but we can be flexible with the times to suit your school day and accommodate the distance you are travelling. All sessions are free for schools within Oldham LEA.

The education suite can be booked for your group to eat their packed lunch in either before or after your workshop.

It is also possible to bring your class to the Gallery for a self led visit, please contact the Education Team to book your group in.

In addition to our schools workshops, we are also able to provide loans boxes for teachers to use within the classroom. These boxes contain objects and artefacts specially selected for pupils to handle and are accompanied by background information and suggested activities.

For your convenience we have enclosed our completed Risk Assessment, Fire Procedures and relevant insurance information (blue document). We have also included a PEEP form (yellow document) for you to fill out for any pupils or staff who would not be able to leave the building without assistance in the event of an emergency evacuation.

To book your session all you need to do is telephone Lindsey Milnes, on 0161 770 4643.

Workshops at a glance:

Workshop title	Related exhibition	Age group	QCA Links	Dates of workshops
Mini GO!	Permanent collection & Gallery building	Nursery & Reception		Throughout term time
GO!	Permanent collection & Gallery building	KS1 & 2	A&D: 1B, 1C, 2C, 3B, 6C Science: 3C, 6F	Throughout term time

Sow : Sew	Sow : Sew	KS1 & 2	A&D: 1B, 2B, 3B, 5C, Science: 2B	15 September – 24 October 2008
Fabric Fun	Sow : Sew	Nursery & Reception		15 September – 24 October 2008
Super Structures	Super Structures	KS2	Geography: 6 History: 18	12 November 2008 – 16 January 2009
Arthur Dooley	Arthur Dooley	KS1 & 2	A&D: 1C	5 January – 3 April 2009

Summer 2009 at a glance:

Kevin Laycock – Pattern, line and mark making
Workshops available 20 April – 26 June 2009

Fairies – Summer workshops with fairy inventions and imaginative story writing.
Workshops available 24 June – 10 July 2009

Why not make a day of it?

The new Library and Lifelong Learning Centre joined onto Gallery Oldham offers storytime sessions and we have facilities for your group to have lunch. To book a storytime session at the library, phone Joan or Karen in the Children's Library on 0161 770 8041.

If you require any further information or would like to make a booking, please telephone Lindsey Milnes, on 0161 770 4643



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About the Gallery and Its Collections

Gallery Oldham opened in 2002, the exciting first phase of Oldham's new Cultural Quarter. The building was designed by Architects Pringle Richards Sharratt and has won awards from both the Royal Institute of British Architects and the Civic Trust.

Oldham's Museum and Gallery Service dates back to 1883. Our large and varied collections, which continue to grow, include thousands of items of social and industrial history, natural history, fine and decorative art and craft.

We have a changing programme of exhibitions that include works and artefacts from the Gallery's permanent collections alongside touring exhibitions, the work of contemporary artists, and exhibitions developed in collaboration with the people of the Borough of Oldham.

In addition to our changing exhibition programme, there are a number of objects and artworks on permanent display around the building from Gallery Oldham's collections. These include John Collier's Death of Cleopatra and the Oldham Panorama, a panoramic view of Oldham created from photographs taken in 1876.

Mini GO!

Nursery & Reception

An exciting activity session, specially designed for younger children and suitable for a first visit to the Gallery. Based in the Gallery spaces, children have fun looking, making, playing games and talking about what they see. There will be objects available for the children to touch.

This workshop is available throughout term time and lasts approximately 1 hour and 15 minutes.

GO!

KS1 & 2

Children take a tour around the Gallery building investigating the building itself and some of the artworks and objects from our permanent collections on display. The children will spend the session exploring the varying themes raised by the artworks, objects and building, and create a zigzag book based on what they have experienced during their visit.

QCA Links include:

Investigating materials. What is sculpture? Can buildings speak? Investigating pattern. A sense of place. Respect for property. Characteristics of materials. How we see things.

This workshop is available throughout term time and lasts approximately 2 hours.

Go! lasts approximately **2 hours** and Mini GO! lasts approximately **1 hour and 15 minutes**. Both sessions are available during the morning or afternoon. Alternatively, teachers can book two sessions and pupils will be provided with an area to eat a packed lunch. All sessions are free of charge for schools within Oldham LEA.

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Super Structures

Workshops available 12 November 2008 – 16 January 2009.

“We shape our buildings; thereafter they shape us” Winston Churchill

Super Structures celebrates the wide range of architecture in the Oldham area. Find out more about some of the patrons and architects who shaped our local environment and discover the fascinating stories behind several landmark buildings.

Using paintings and banners from Gallery Oldham’s collections, the exhibition shows the immense pride local people have taken in some of the area’s architecture. And a wide range of objects, from datestones to ceremonial keys, recalls some local buildings that have since been demolished. There is also a chance to appreciate some historic structures in three dimensions through several scale models on display.

From terraced houses to timber-framed halls, from Roman forts to towerblocks, which is your favourite local building?

Super Structures

KS2

This workshop explores the buildings and monuments of Oldham, past, present and future.

This workshop includes time in the exhibition and the use of copies of original documents such as maps, photographs and other archives. Together with accompanying activities, these documents will enable the class to explore a variety of buildings that once stood in Oldham town centre.

QCA Links include: What was it like to live here in the past? Investigating our local area.

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Sow : Sew

Workshops available 15 September – 24 October 2008.

Sow : Sew features a series of large and vibrant felt artworks by the textile artist Jeanette Appleton. In these works she explores the marks made by humans – whether farmer, traveller or tourist – upon the earth. They are accompanied by several smaller scale exhibits in paper and felt.

This major solo exhibition was developed during a year-long residency at the University of Huddersfield. During this time, Appleton explored the boundaries between hand and mass production. She worked with digital embroidery machines and intervened in the production process to make new images and structures carrying the marks of the creative hand.

Appleton compares marks we make on the land with those made by the needle upon cloth and likens the sowing of seed by hand and machine to marks and making in stitch and felt.

Fabric Fun

Nursery & Reception

An exciting activity session, specially designed for younger children and suitable for a first visit to the Gallery. Based in the Gallery spaces, children have fun looking, making, playing games and talking about what they see in the Sow : Sew exhibition. There will be objects available for the children to touch.

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Sow : Sew

KS1 & 2

Children spend time exploring the Sow : Sew exhibition then create an individual felted textile piece inspired by the exhibition and the local landscape.

QCA Links include:

Mother Nature, designer. Investigating pattern. Talking textiles. Investigating materials. Plants & animals in the local environment.

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Arthur Dooley

Workshops available 5 January – 3 April 2009.

Liverpool-born sculptor Arthur Dooley had a special relationship with Oldham. The town hosted his first one-man show in 1968 and bought several of his works for its collection.

Dooley was largely self-taught but, despite working outside the mainstream art establishment all his life, he became one of the most well-known artists of the 1960s and 70s. He was a committed communist and a Roman Catholic and his work explores themes of humanity, violence and religious faith.

Works on show in this exhibition include figures of people and animals, mythical creatures and Dachau, a ragged figure of the crucified Christ. Dachau was created as a memorial to human suffering and was first shown in Oldham in 1968. The exhibition includes works from Gallery Oldham's collection and loans from regional galleries.

This exhibition is a partnership with the Liverpool Academy of Arts, which will be launching a trail of Dooley's public sculpture around Merseyside on 15 September 2008.

Arthur Dooley

KS1 & 2

Looking at the Arthur Dooley sculptures children think about different materials used in sculptures and create their own sculptures based on their drawings. Children will also be exploring the forms of the human body and the animal kingdom.

QCA Links include: Investigating materials. What is sculpture?

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