



# ADULT WORKSHOPS

Arts & Crafts  
February - June 2017



**TROWBRIDGE MUSEUM**

[www.trowbridgemuseum.co.uk](http://www.trowbridgemuseum.co.uk)

# WELCOME

We hope you will be inspired by our latest workshop programme, offering a varied selection of both arts and crafts courses. The workshops will take place in our dedicated workroom in Trowbridge Museum and give you the opportunity to learn new skills in a friendly atmosphere.

To book tickets visit [www.ticketsource.co.uk/trowbridgemuseum](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/trowbridgemuseum). Please contact us if you have any special requirements or questions. If a course is full, we will add you to a waiting list. Call 01225 751339.

## ABOUT THE TUTORS

**NIKKI RITSON** Nikki is a museum educator and has been working with many different community groups at Trowbridge Museum. Since learning various felting techniques, Nikki Ritson has led many wet-felting and needle-felting workshops and is constantly finding new and innovative ways to work with felt.

**DAVID BIRKS** David Birks is an artist and museum educator with over 12 years of experience leading art, craft and history workshops for adults and children. He studied Fine Art at Liverpool Polytechnic and his main interest lies in drawing and printmaking, particularly mono-printing and mono-typing.

**PATRICK HALLISSEY** Patrick is a local artist and former art teacher. Having studied art in the 1970s, he works with many different mediums including oils, acrylic and watercolour painting, collage and printmaking. As his paintings contain figures in action he regularly attends life and portrait

classes as part of his practice. He has recently won the Corsham Print Prize for painting at the Pound Art Open in December 2016.

**HANNE DAHL** A keen spinner, weaver and dyer, Hanne is passionate about textiles and their history. Having trained as an art historian, she combines her historical and practical knowledge about weaving to create new designs and to tell the story about the weaving at Trowbridge Museum.

**JEN WALSH** is a self-taught crafter specialising in macrame, she has always had a passion for crafts especially traditional techniques. Originally from Ireland, Jen moved to Bristol in 2013 and set up her small business Knots & Shots which was both an outlet to sell her creations from and an outlet from which to teach. She always wanted to run her own workshops to pass on her skills and meet lots of creative and like-minded people, so she is delighted to offer her macrame plant hanger course at Trowbridge Museum this Spring.

If you would like to learn more about Trowbridge Museum, visit our website [www.trowbridgemuseum.co.uk](http://www.trowbridgemuseum.co.uk)

# POSTER ART PRINTING

**Thursday 9th February**

5.30pm – 8.30pm

**Saturday 18th February**

10.30am – 2.30pm

Cost: £15 (£12 to Friends of Trowbridge Museum)

Tutor: **DAVID BIRKS**

Although originating in China several centuries before, screen-printing only came to prominence in the early C20th when it was used by graphic artists. After World War 2 artists such as Andy Warhol made use of the technique (his Marilyn and Soup Can prints being well known examples). In the 70's and 80's it was the simplest way of producing rock band tour t-shirts. Taking our latest exhibition "Banned" as inspiration, we will be designing and cutting stencils to create a small run of poster-themed artworks.

The price includes all materials and refreshments. Saturday's session also includes time for a short lunch break (lunch not provided), which can be taken in the Museum.



*If you are booked onto an evening workshop, please use the upper level of the ASDA car park.*

# DRAWING AND PAINTING WORKSHOP - 'UNSHACKLED'



**Wednesday 9th March**

11.00am - 1.00pm

**Saturday 11th March**

2.00pm - 4.00pm

Cost: £10

Tutor: **PATRICK HALLISSEY**

A rare chance to get up close and personal to museum artefacts, using them as a source of inspiration for artwork under guidance of local artist Patrick Hallissey. Among art techniques taught and advised upon are watercolour, line and wash, coloured pencils, wax crayon and mixed media. All materials are provided. New participants, as well as old friends, are welcome.

# MARKS AND PENCILS – MASTERING MONO-PRINT (4 WEEK COURSE)

Please note that this workshop takes place at Trowbridge Town Hall, Market Street, Trowbridge, BA14 8EQ

**Saturday 4th, 18th, 25th March  
and 1st April**

11.00am – 1.00pm

Cost: £25 includes all materials (4 sessions)

Tutor: **DAVID BIRKS**

Ages: 14 – 18

Using a variety of techniques such as mark-making, layering and tracing as well as using textural objects such as leaves, fabric and even coins, mono-printing is a simple and accessible printmaking method offering the scope to produce subtle, complex and beautiful artworks.

The course is a great introduction to printmaking, perfect for budding artists or students working towards GCSE or A level art. There will be a small exhibition of participants' work when the course has finished.



# HAND LOOM WEAVING FOR BEGINNERS

**Sunday 9th April**

10.00am - 3.00pm

Cost: £40 (£35 Friends of Trowbridge Museum)

Tutor: **HANNE DAHL**

If you would like to find out more about hand weaving or are considering taking up weaving as a craft, this taster day is well suited to you.

We will be examining how to weave simple patterns and you will leave the course with a good basic knowledge of weaving, the looms that exist and which would fit your needs, your own book of samples and weave recipes. The designs we will be exploring are based on the historical textiles found in the museum collection.

The session is suitable for complete beginners or people with only a basic knowledge of weaving. The price includes all materials and refreshments.



## MACRAME PLANT HANGER WORKSHOP BY KNOTS AND SHOTS



**Saturday 13th May**

1.30pm – 3.30pm

Cost: £25

Tutor: **JEN WALSH**

Workshops are a fun way of learning a new skill in a friendly and encouraging environment, meeting new people and having something you have made to take home with you.

In this class you will learn the basic knotting techniques of macrame and make your own plant pot hanger from start to finish. All materials are provided including a pot and a plant!

Aimed at beginners and small class sizes ensure focused tuition.

## MONO-PRINTING MASTERCLASS



**Thursday 4th May**

5.30pm – 8.30pm

**Repeated Saturday 6th May**

10.30am – 2.30pm

Cost: £12 (£10 for Friends of Trowbridge Museum)

Tutor: **DAVID BIRKS**

Using a variety of techniques such as mark-making, layering and tracing as well as using textural objects such as leaves, fabric and even coins, mono-printing is a simple and accessible printmaking method offering the scope to produce subtle, complex and beautiful artworks.

The session is a great introduction to printmaking, perfect for budding artists and those with a little bit of printmaking experience.

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## ENJOYABLE JEWELLERY - uses a barded needle and a pricking motion, whilst in wet felting layers of fleece are rubbed and agitated to create a dense mat.

### (3 WEEK COURSE)

**Wednesday 7th, 14th and 21st June**

1.00am – 3.00pm

**Saturday 3rd, 10th and 17th June**

11.00am – 1.00pm

Cost: £25 for the course (3 sessions)

(£23 for Friends of Trowbridge Museum)

Tutor: **NIKKI RITSON**

In this three week course you will learn the basics of needle felting and wet felting and create some stylish jewellery.

Both techniques are fairly simple, needle felting uses a barded needle and a pricking motion, whilst in wet felting you rub and agitate layers of fleece to create a dense mat. The resulting felt pieces can be turned into colourful brooches, drop earrings and necklaces.

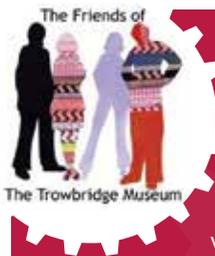
This is a relaxed and enjoyable workshop and the price includes all materials and refreshments.



# TERMS & CONDITIONS

Please note that the workshops are subject to change. In the event of a cancelled workshop, we aim to inform you 2 days before the start date of a workshop and you will receive a full refund.

If you need to cancel a workshop, refunds will only be given if you give us at least one week's notice before the start of a workshop. If you give us less than one week's notice, no refund will be given.



## WHY NOT JOIN US?

Would you like to support the Museum and help provide voluntary support?

Why not join The Friends of The Trowbridge Museum? You will be regularly updated on everything happening with the Museum and will be invited to our fantastic events and fundraisers. As well as this you will receive discounts on adult workshops and in the Museum shop!

Joining the Friends is very easy and affordable

- \* £5 (individual) per year
- \* £8 (couple) per year
- \* £10 (organisation) per year

The fees are due annually in January.

There are various ways to pay and we can provide you with these details when you join.

When you complete the form please provide an email address if possible as this is our preferred form of contact. If you would like to be actively involved and volunteer at the Museum then let us know what skills and interests you have by noting them on the membership form.



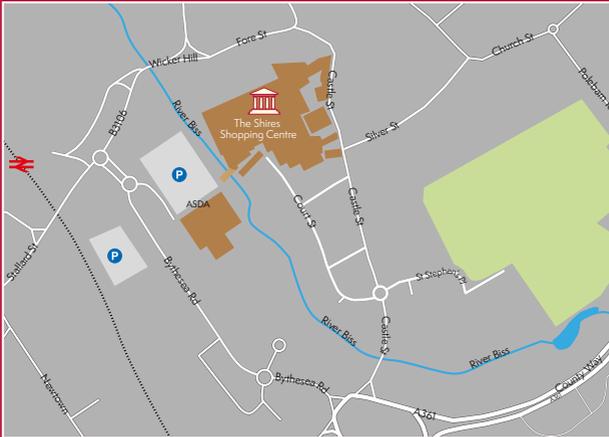
You can download a membership form from our website:  
[www.friendsoftrowbridgemuseum.org](http://www.friendsoftrowbridgemuseum.org)

# HOW TO FIND US

## DIRECTIONS

The Museum is situated in the Shires Shopping Centre, on the 2nd floor of Home Mills. For easy parking, use the car park next to Asda which is accessed from Bythesea Road and use the Shires Shopping Centre entrance close to Asda. Head straight to Boswell's Cafe, take the left fork and you will find the Museum on your left.

*Please note: if you are booked on an evening workshop, please use the upper level of the ASDA car park.*



Trowbridge Museum is situated in the building of the last working weaving mill in Trowbridge. The museum features a wealth of exhibitions telling the story of life in Trowbridge and the development of the woollen trade in the area.



### OPENING HOURS:

Tuesday – Friday:  
10am – 4pm



Saturday:  
10am – 4.30pm



Closed:  
Sunday, Monday and  
Bank Holidays

### CONTACT:

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