

RWA

ABOUT THE RWA



We are proud to bring world-class visual art – both contemporary and historic - from around the world to the South West and have done so since 1844.

Located in a spectacular Grade II* listed building in the heart of the city, with stunning galleries, the RWA has recently undergone a £4.1m transformation - opening up access for all. We provide opportunities for people from all backgrounds and abilities to get creative and feel inspired.

The RWA is unique not just in Bristol, but in the UK, in being a purpose-built Royal Academy of Art: somewhere that not only exhibits great art, but that also nurtures new talent for the future, and does so using one of the most beautiful exhibition spaces in the country.

We currently work with many community groups and offer regular creative activities with a Roma youth group, along with activities for adults with learning disabilities, mental health challenges and adults living with dementia and their companions.

We offer regular, free workshops for families and school children - including creative sessions across the city, along with artist-led workshops during school holidays. We also run sensory activities for children with special educational needs and disabilities. Plus, we run regular baby tours for socially isolated new parents and Happy Monday sessions for autistic young people.

We engage local schools and work with them to develop new learning resources and develop projects which engage children with English as an additional language.

The RWA (Royal West of England Academy) is registered charity, receiving less than 1.5% of our funding each year from the public purse.

For more information about sponsoring or supporting the RWA, contact Kate Foster, Head of Development on 0117 906 7609 / 07815 754088 or kate.foster@rwa.org.uk

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