

Exhibitions & Gallery Information

Brewery Arts is a thriving and dynamic arts organisation with over fifty years' experience of delivering an exciting and inspirational programme, including cultural events, festivals, exhibitions and creative learning courses. Our venue is a beautiful, historic building full of charm and set against the backdrop of the picturesque market town of Kendal.

Exhibition Programme Overview:

Brewery Arts hosts a year-round programme of free exhibitions and other visual arts activities, across a wide variety of art forms, from printmaking to digital art.

We focus in particular on championing and providing opportunities for local artists and community groups from Cumbria and beyond, and host our annual flagship Open Exhibition and Youth Arts Exhibition with this in mind. We also work with partner organisations, including Kendal Mountain Festival to develop the breadth and range of our exhibition programme.

Exhibition Programming Policy:

Our exhibitions programme is scheduled and planned approximately 2 years in advance. As well as presenting our annual exhibitions outlined above, we have approx. 1-2 exhibition slots available per year, for which we accept submissions. We prioritise artwork that is contemporary, ambitious and sparks the imagination. To submit a proposal, please send the following information and assets to exhibitions@breweryarts.co.uk. If you are successful in being awarded an exhibition slot you will be notified within 3 weeks of sending us your submission. We are unable to provide a response to all submissions due to the large volume we receive.

- Image portfolio of your work with minimum of 5 images, and/or website or social media links displaying your work.
- Artist statement giving an insight into your practice and inspirations.

The Gallery Spaces:

We have two exhibition spaces. The Sugar Store Gallery (**Fig. 1** - so named for its former life in the old Brewery), is located on the 3rd floor and is accessible via stairs or the lift. The space measures approx. 10m x 6m, with the height of the exhibition paneled wall at approx. 2.3m, although this then gives way to a large loft ceiling with large beams and skylights. Close to the centre of the room is a stairwell leading up from the main foyer, which has an optional platform for use during exhibitions. There are also various doors and archways leading to the bar, the theatre and the lift, meaning there is a lot of foot traffic as people use it as a through route to other areas of the building.

The Foyer Gallery (**Fig. 2**) is located on the ground floor, in the main entrance foyer, in close proximity to the welcome desk, the Theatre entrance and the Theatre Bar (open for

Fig. 1

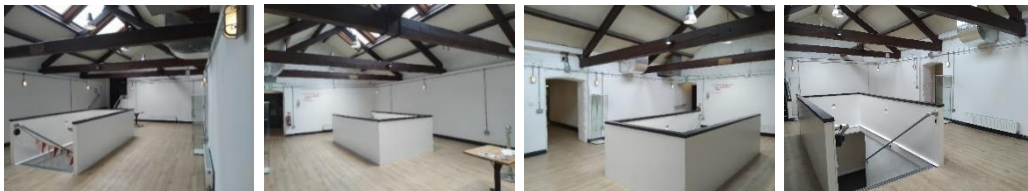
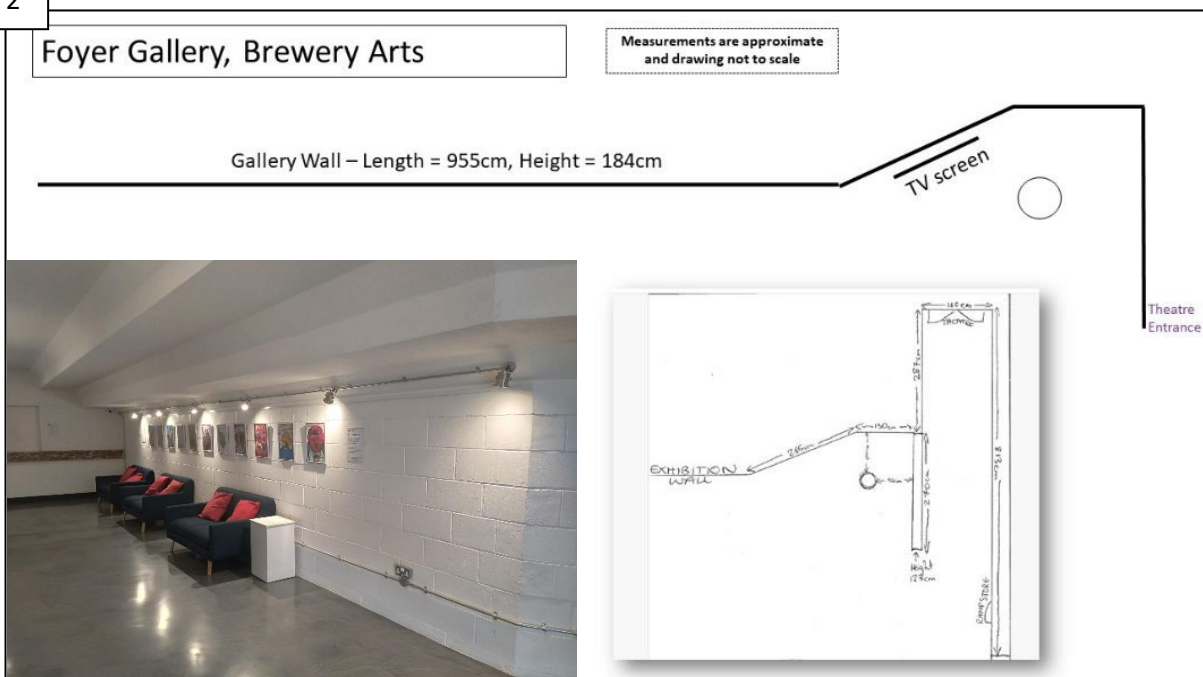


Fig. 2



Important Information (Insurance & Liability):

- **Important** – the gallery spaces are public spaces and will be unsupervised, therefore, artwork is displayed at your own risk. Artists are agreeing to provide artwork to Brewery Arts for display and for it to be exhibited in an unsupervised and public space.
- Whilst every care will be taken to ensure safekeeping, exhibitors are recommended to make their own arrangements for insurance cover. Brewery Arts accepts no liability for loss or damage, however caused.

Brewery Arts Hanging System:

- Hooks: STAS zipper on perlon cord – carries loads up to 15 kg (33 lbs) – however, the rails have their own weight limit.
- Hanging rail: STAS cliprail pro can carry up to 45 kg per linear metre.



Presentation of work:

- Work to be wall hung must have secure 'D rings' with connecting string, or similar, to allow for two points of hanging on Brewery Arts cable system, **this is the artists responsibility.**
- Artwork cannot be submitted on foam board, mount board or in clip frames, as this will not work with the hanging system.
- All artwork needs to be delivered with the name and title on the back and a label hanging in front of the work showing the artist name, title of the piece, medium and purchase price.
- Plinths (x4) and display cabinets (x3) are subject to availability so will need to be provided by the artist if unavailable, and approved by Helena McGregor due to Health and Safety regulations.
- There are 3 fixed screens located in the Brewery Arts Main Foyer (next to the Foyer Gallery) to exhibit digital artwork and/or film (MP4 format or jpegs – 1920 x 1080, landscape), subject to availability.
- Please be mindful of the size of your work and our gallery space. If you have any concerns about the size or weight of your artwork, please contact Helena.mcgregor@breweryarts.co.uk
- Brewery arts reserves the right to reject any artwork or exhibition proposals without giving any reason.
- In group exhibitions, artwork can be installed in either the Foyer Gallery or Sugar Store Gallery, this decision lies with the curator and/or Exhibitions Manager.

Brewery Arts will provide:

- Marketing – Brewery Arts will be responsible for marketing and will promote the exhibition through our website, social media channels and brochure listings.
- Brewery Arts will be responsible for any signage and posters.
- Brewery Arts will be responsible for exhibition labels.
- Curation, Installation and take down of artwork – artwork will be hung by the Brewery Arts curator.

Artists will be responsible for:

- Appropriate presentation of artwork as detailed in specifications above.
- Transportation of artwork to and from Brewery Arts.
- Delivering artwork to Brewery Arts on agreed date. Brewery Arts has no space to safely store artwork prior to installation.
- Artists are encouraged to promote the exhibition on social media and websites.
- Any arrangements, costs, packing and sending of work if requested by the buyer.
- Insurance cover at artist's discretion.

Sales Information:

- Brewery Arts will charge **35% commission on all items sold**.
- Local purchasers will be asked to leave work until the end of the exhibition. Those purchasers from further afield will be allowed to take work at the time of purchase – Brewery Arts will not post artwork to buyers.

Key Contacts:

- General enquiries email and to submit exhibition proposals: exhibitions@breweryarts.co.uk
- Learning & Engagement Officer – Visual Arts (Exhibitions Manager): Helena.mcgregor@breweryarts.co.uk
- Learning & Engagement Administrator: Libby.gallagher@breweryarts.co.uk
- Learning & Engagement Manager: Rebecca.stephendenby@breweryarts.co.uk