

The New Art Gallery Walsall

Family Programme

October – December 2025



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NEW

SUNDAY ART CLUB MINI MAKERS WEDNESDAYS FOR ALL YOUNG MASTERS

For information on future workshops follow us on Facebook and Instagram.
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+DIWALI +CHRISTMAS MAKERS' MARKET

SUNDAY ART CLUB

FREE

12-3pm

Ages 4+

Drop-in

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5 Oct: Acorn & Pine Cone People

Make an army of mini figures using natural materials, inspired by Joanna Simpson



12 Oct: Mindful Drawing

Make detailed designs with white gel pens on black paper, inspired by Julia Oak



19 Oct: Autumn Forest Wreaths

Wrap with raffia, dried grasses, seed heads, pipe-cleaners & card



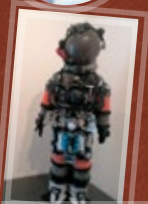
26 Oct: Paper Skeletons

Make moveable paper puppets using split pins



2 Nov: Day of the Dead Skulls

Collage with colourful felt, craft foam & crepe paper



9 Nov: Make a Market Stall

Decorate our child-sized market stalls & craft plasticine bowls of foods from your culture



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16 Nov: Junk Astronauts

Model a spaceman using bottles, scrap card & foil



23 Nov: Experimental Portraits

Learn to draw portraits in the style of Frank Auerbach using pencils & fine line pens

30 Nov: Tin Foil Garlands

Cover cardboard stars in foil and string up at home for a unique, shiny, festive decoration



7 Dec: Crafty Christmas Candles

Make glowing candles using toilet roll tubes, tissue paper, glitter, gems & pens



14 Dec: Patch Scrap Christmas Stars

Make hanging star decorations using felt & fabric scraps



21 Dec: 3D Paper Angels

Cut and fold paper to make a hanging or free-standing angel decoration



Weekly art club for children and young people. Meet artists and creatives, learn to paint, print, sculpt, craft and more!

We welcome donations from families to allow us to offer these weekly artist-led workshops free of charge throughout the year.

Animal Lanterns

with Caldmore Community Garden

Tuesday 21 October

Come along to the Gallery to make lanterns using recycled plastic bottles and tissue paper, inspired by this year's Festival of Lights theme of migration.

Explore animals that migrate, including birds, the Monarch butterfly and the blue whale, and design real and fantasy landscapes for them.



All ages welcome.
Drop-in. 11am - 1pm

Caldmore Community Garden will be celebrating The Festival of Lights on 8 & 9 November. Why not take your lantern along!

AUTUMN HALF-TERM ACTIVITIES

Flying Bat Crafts

FREE

Tuesday 28 Oct — Sunday 2 Nov

Make a bat with moving wings using paper, straws & string.

All ages welcome. Drop-in. 10am - 4pm



MINI MAKERS

Skeleton Stick Puppets

Tues 28 October

Create silly skeletons with paper plates and dig for bones in the sensory tray. Get creative, explore art materials and build fine motor skills.

Ages 2-5. Drop-in. 11am - 1pm. £3.50



WEDNESDAYS FOR ALL

Colourful Pumpkins

FREE

Weds 29 October

Draw and paint expressive, colourful, seasonal pictures using oil pastels & watercolour paints. A Fun, creative workshop for all the family.

Ages 4+. Drop-in. 11am - 3pm.



* Also see NEW Young Masters workshops on 30 Oct



DIWALI COMMUNITY DAY

FREE

Saturday 25 October

All welcome
Drop-in
12 - 4pm

Join us for our annual celebration of the Festival of Lights.

- Traditional stories of Diwali with international storyteller Peter Chand
- Lotus flower-making workshop with artist Daya Bhatti
- Listen to Manpaal Singh perform with Jori Pakhawaj
- Bharatanatyam dance performances from Jnan Deep Kundu
- Authentic South Asian food
- Mehndi from Mrs Bedi
- Colouring sheets for children & adults



Paper cup tea lights workshop

at Caldmore Community Garden, WS1 3RH

Saturday 8 November

FREE

Join artist Daya Bhatti for a workshop inspired by the Festival of Lights. Create your own unique tea light holders with paper cups, tissue paper, and coloured foils, then light them up with LED lights.

All welcome. Drop-in. 4 - 5.30pm



CHRISTMAS MAKERS' MARKET

Saturday 29 November

Pop along to discover unique and original crafts from local makers and craftspeople. Pick up a Christmas gift, or treat yourself to something special.

Drop-in. 11am - 3pm.

FREE



NEW YOUNG MASTERS

Brand new workshops for aspiring young artists. Work with experts to explore processes and techniques in a range of art mediums, develop skills and create unique artworks with professional quality materials.

Thursday 30 October
Modroc Fruit & Veg

Join artist Rob Conway to explore Daya Bhatti's Mobile Indian Market Cart. Learn how to sculpt fruit & veg from different cultures using plaster bandages and then apply paint for a realistic look.



Ages 6+

Workshop 1: 11am - 12.30pm | Workshop 2: 1.30 - 3pm

£4.50 per child

Advance booking essential. Numbers limited.



BABY & ME

8 Oct, 12 Nov, 10 Dec

10.30am - 12pm & 12.30 - 2pm

Ages 0-2. £3.50 per child.

Booking essential.

Multi-sensory sessions for parents, carers & their babies.



ONLINE WORKSHOPS

Now over 90 workshops to discover! Available on our website and YouTube channel.



BIRTHDAY PARTIES

Celebrate your child's Birthday with us!

Spark 
Young Writers PRESENTS
WALSALL JUNIOR GROUP

4 Oct, 8 Nov, 6 Dec

This group is aimed at young people in school years 3 - 6 (aged 8 - 11).

One Saturday a month,
10.30am - 12.30am

£9 per session
(Free places available)

Booking essential via
sparkwriters.org

OPENING TIMES

Tuesday - Saturday 10am - 5pm

Sunday 12noon - 4pm

Closed Mondays and Bank Holidays

The New Art Gallery Walsall
Gallery Square, Walsall WS2 8LG

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www.thenewartgallerywalsall.org.uk

SHOP

Our shop stocks a range of gallery souvenirs and children's gifts.

COSTA

Monday - Saturday 7.30am - 5pm

Sundays 8.30am - 4.30pm

MAILING LIST

Sign up to our free e-bulletin

We remind families that all children and young people must be accompanied by a parent or carer over the age of 18 for the duration of our workshops.

TO BOOK: Call 01922 654400
or visit our reception



Free WiFi available



Baby changing on the ground floor



Accessible toilets on
ground floor & floors 1 & 4



Buggy Friendly



The lifts provide access to all floors



Our friendly, trained staff are always
available to provide assistance

1 Daya Bhatti, *Ghar Se Ghar Tak (From Home to Home)*, 2024, Indian Cart and 70+ items
2 Joanna Simpson, *Good Luck Gum Nut Folk*, found objects
3 Rippon Wasan, *Astronaut*, recycled machine parts
4 Frank Auerbach, *Jake OG*, etching and aquatint, The Balakjian Collection, acquired through the Cultural Gifts Scheme, administered by Arts Council England, 2025.027.P.



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