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FOR NURSERIES, SCHOOLS & COLLEGES  
2015-16

Proud to be part of



the **Whitworth**





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## Welcome

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Welcome back to the Whitworth, The University of Manchester's newly transformed gallery in the park – a place to discover exceptional art in award winning spaces, inside and out.

Our building may have changed, but learning remains at the heart of what we do. As a university gallery, the Whitworth has a long history of creative learning, winning multiple awards for innovation and its close partnerships with educators.

We have been working hard with children, young people, teachers and artists to imagine and develop the very best learning experiences.

For years we have been part of the University's Widening Participation programme. Widening Participation is a strategic goal that encourages students to fulfill their potential and succeed in higher education. Through targeted activities and our new Masterclass programme we aim to raise the aspirations of young people across Manchester who may not have considered higher education a possibility.

As part of The University of Manchester's commitment to social responsibility, we believe that access to art and culture should be for everyone, regardless of background. Through the Cultural Explorer Programme we provide a free cultural entitlement for all local nine year-olds to engage in an exciting out-of-classroom learning experience at the Whitworth.

The Whitworth is proud to be part of The University of Manchester. This enables us to do things no other gallery can. We work in partnership with academics to connect local schools and colleges with world class research, outstanding learning and internationally recognised collections.

There has never been a better time to visit the Whitworth, Art Fund Museum of the Year 2015. We hope you like what we've done with your gallery and to see you soon.

With our warmest wishes

**The Learning Team**

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To find out more about our programmes for nurseries, schools and colleges, contact the learning team on:

**whitworthlearn@manchester.ac.uk**  
**0161 275 7453**

To book one of our workshops or arrange a self-led visit to the gallery, go to [manchester.ac.uk/whitworth/learn/schoolscollegesanduniversities](https://manchester.ac.uk/whitworth/learn/schoolscollegesanduniversities)

**All workshops cost £90 unless stated otherwise**

To find out more about The University of Manchester's Widening Participation Programme go to [manchester.ac.uk/connect/teachers/students/secondary/widening-participation](https://manchester.ac.uk/connect/teachers/students/secondary/widening-participation)







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## Early Years - Art School

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**"Our kids had a fantastic experience, we will be coming back again – lots of ideas for the classroom."**

Reception Teacher

Creative, practical, artist-led workshops designed to support a child's early experiences of an art gallery. For EYFS, nurseries, children's centres and community groups working with children under 5.

Choose from:

- Draw
- Make
- Express

### **Draw**

Children often make marks and scribbles to communicate their earliest thoughts before words, language and writing have fully developed.

Focusing on early child communication and development *Draw* combines drawing and meaning-making with children exploring the gallery and park through creative scribbles and playful drawing activities.

### **Make**

Work with an artist and get hands on, creative (and messy) in our Clore Learning Studio. Focusing on personal, social and emotional skills, children will be encouraged to play and work together to create extraordinary masterpieces inspired by what they see.

### **Express**

Much of young children's learning is physical. *Express* is a fun and lively session embracing and developing children's physical skills. Led by dancers and musicians it combines music, movement and art to encourage creativity, imagination and self expression.

We know it's the little things that make a big difference when on a trip out with young children. Our workshops are designed with this in mind so we build in time for drink, snack and toilet breaks and can work closely with you to make sure we cater for all your group's needs.

**Early Art School workshops: £90**

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## Early Years - Masterclass

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"A well-resourced, organised and fantastic session, which the children and parents really enjoyed. The session leaders were enthusiastic and positive and above all the session was relevant and age-appropriate."

Nursery Teacher

### Whitworth Welly Week

**9-13 May 2016**

Wear your wellies whatever the weather and shake, rattle and roll with us!

Dance in puddles, sing in the rain and make some noise as dancers, musicians and artists bring Whitworth park to life. Ideal for children who aren't built to sit still and want to discover, explore and play in the outdoors.

The Whitworth and Brighter Sound (a producer of creative music projects) have teamed up to bring you Whitworth Welly Week.

For EYFS, nurseries, children's centres, and community groups working with children under 5.

**Half day Early Years Masterclass: £125**



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## Early Years - Your Whitworth

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Supporting you to discover, explore and make the most of the Whitworth through free resources, tours and self led opportunities.

### Early Years Atelier (Art Studio)

Why not book out our Clore Learning Studio for your own Atelier experience. Facilitated by an experienced Atelierista (studio assistant), these unique sessions adopt the early years philosophy of Reggio Emilia.

The studio opens directly onto an art garden and large open doors connect the children inside to the natural world outside. The Atelier (or art studio) encourages child-led artistic exploration. It is a laboratory for trying out ideas and playing with materials, a space where children can get messy, play creatively and follow their own interests.

Choose from the following Atelier themes:

- Nature Play
- Light and Dark
- Senses

Ideal for EYFS, nurseries, children's centres and community groups working with children under 5 and particularly suitable for those working with under 2s.

**Half day - £90**

### Welly Walks Guide

This guide encourages engagement with art and nature. A map of the park showing artworks and landmarks includes suggestions for fun activities through rhyme prompts.

### Art Hampers

Pick up a picnic hamper with a difference. Our special Art Hampers are free and available at any time during gallery opening hours, and are filled with art materials, ideas and a picnic blanket, of course.

**Free but booking essential**

### Self Guided Visits

Lead your group around the gallery yourself. We can provide everything you need to design and support your visit.

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## Early Years - CPD

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Do you work with under 5's? Enrich your teaching and extend your early years practice.

### **The Atelier Series (Art Studio)**

**10 November 2015 - Nature play**

**15 March 2016 - Light and dark**

**28 June 2016 - Senses**

Tuesdays 1pm–3pm

Based on the early years philosophy of Reggio Emilia, the Atelier (or art studio) is a place for child-led artistic exploration, a laboratory for trying out ideas and playing with materials. Led by our experienced Atelierista (studio assistant), these relaxed, social events enable you to see the Atelier in practice and collect ideas to take back to your setting.

**£25 per person, booking essential**

### **Educators Social**

**22 October 2015**

**3 March 2016**

**23 June 2016**

Thursday evenings 6–9pm

Explore exhibitions, discover new perspectives and meet other educators.

One per term - **Free, no need to book.**





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## Primary - Art School

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**"A fun, interactive and surprising day. Would love to come back and try again! Like a bag of dolly mixtures, something different every minute."**

Primary teacher

Playful, practical and artist-led workshops designed especially for both KS1 and KS2 pupils.

Choose from:

- Draw
- Make
- Express

### **Draw**

Many artists in our collection express what they see, think and feel through drawing. This playful, hands-on workshop encourages your pupils to do likewise. Pupils will explore a range of drawing techniques in a variety of media and will leave with an understanding of how sketchbooks support artistic practice.

### **Make**

Learn how artists, architects and makers build, shape and create. Working alongside a professional artist-maker, pupils will learn new practical art skills and ways to communicate their ideas in both 2 and 3 dimensions.

Choose from printmaking, textiles and 3D.

### **Express**

The gallery is an extraordinary visual stimulus that can help generate ideas, inspire creativity and encourage expression. Working with our team of performers, children will learn to express themselves within their chosen art-form. The workshop aims to encourage all pupils to participate and work together in teams to showcase their work in a final mini performance in the gallery.

Choose from dance, music, drama, spoken word or animation.

**Primary Art School workshops: £90**

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## Primary - Masterclass

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Leading artists, scientists and storytellers share their expertise. Spark your curiosity and excite young minds with our masterclass series.

### **Art meets Science Masterclass**

**19-23 October 2015**

Explore reactions and feelings to artworks. With scientists from the University of Manchester's BEAM (body, eyes and movement) Lab, children will discover how closely art and science connect and will learn what happens when art and science mix.

#### **BEAM Lab**

[beamlab.lab.lis.manchester.ac.uk](http://beamlab.lab.lis.manchester.ac.uk)

A collaboration of specialists from The University of Manchester's Faculty of Life Sciences and Psychological Sciences, the BEAM team researches how our brains use sensory information such as vision and touch to move and interact with the world around us.

### **Minecraft Masterclass**

**7-11 March 2016**

Discover the full learning potential of Minecraft. Led by digital artists, architects and bloggers/YouTube commentators - find out how Minecraft has become the most popular gaming platform on the planet. This full day session will enable pupils to learn coding, film and record commentary whilst playing with the specially commissioned Minecraft Whitworth.

### **Forest School Masterclass**

**13-17 June 2016**

Leading artists, performers and forest schools specialists take us on an outdoor learning adventure. Adopting a forest school ethos, explore our green spaces and craft and create using natural materials. Using promenade theatre techniques children will develop an imaginative story that explores our attitudes towards the environment. Pupils will learn practical design skills including prop making for their final performance.

**Full day Primary masterclass - £250**



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## Primary - Your Whitworth

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**"Fantastic day! The children had a great experience – we saw them grow in confidence."**

Primary teacher

Supporting you to discover, explore and make the most of the Whitworth through free resources, tours and self led opportunities.

### Arts Award: Discover and Explore

How can the gallery be a space for thinking and research, a place to view and find out about amazing artworks and a creative hub to imagine and learn ideas?

*Discover* and *Explore* is designed to support anyone taking their Arts Award.

Half day - £90



### Minecraft Resource

Jump into our specially commissioned digital gallery in the park. We have recreated the Whitworth in the world of Minecraft. Book an in-gallery iPad to build, sculpt and shape your own Whitworth landscape.

### Green Guide

A guide to all things green, for children by children. Includes stories, poems, puzzles and games.

### Self guided visits

Lead your class or group around the gallery yourself. We can provide everything you need to design and support your visit.

### Free Tours at 11am - Discover the new Whitworth

We bring you closer to art than ever before. Come and explore our new building, collections, indoor and outdoor spaces as our visitor team take you on a tour with a difference. Booking essential, first come first served.

To make a booking please email [whitworthlearn@manchester.ac.uk](mailto:whitworthlearn@manchester.ac.uk)

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## Primary - CPD

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Enrich your teaching and extend your practice.

### Minecraft for Schools

**28 January 2016**

Unlock the full learning potential of Minecraft. Led by digital artists, find out how and why Minecraft has become the most popular gaming platform on the planet. This full day session will enable you to learn coding, film and record commentary. Play our specially commissioned Minecraft Whitworth and develop practical skills to take back to school. Leave with ideas of what you can do educationally with the game your pupils are constantly talking about.

### Big Draw

**9 June 2016**

Think you know drawing?



Think again. From pencil to pixel, line to light, micro to macro, this day long workshop explores mark making in various forms. Discover new drawing ideas, materials and approaches that are tailored to resources found in the classroom. Supported by the Campaign for Drawing.

**Full day CPD workshops: £25 per person**

### Educators Social

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## Secondary and Post 16 - Art School

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**"I enjoyed being part of learning new things, it made me think differently about going to a gallery."**

Secondary school student

### **Playful, practical and artist-led workshops.**

Choose from:

- Draw
- Make
- Express

#### **Draw**

Artists express what they see, think and feel through drawing, and this hands-on workshop encourages your students to do likewise. They will explore drawing as thinking in sketchbooks or journals and discover new drawing styles and techniques.

#### **Make**

Learn how artists, architects and makers build, shape and create, choosing from printmaking, textiles or construction. In these sessions students will make art, communicate ideas and learn new technical skills.

#### **Express**

Choose from photography, immersive theatre, music, or creative writing and see your students take centre stage, inspired by the extraordinary visual stimulus of the gallery. Working with our team of practitioners, students will learn to express themselves in their chosen art form. The workshop aims to encourage all pupils to participate and work together in teams to showcase through creative critique.

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## Secondary and Post 16 - Masterclass

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Leading artists, scientists, narrators and thinkers share their expertise. Spark your curiosity and excite young minds with our masterclass series.

We work with leading researchers and academics at The University of Manchester to bring you an ambitious Masterclass series that could only happen here at the Whitworth.

The Whitworth is a gallery that places outstanding research and learning at its heart.

"The Whitworth and Manchester Museum bring to life our commitment to making a difference, through being a front-door to the University and our inspirational collections for thousands of school children each year."

Dr Julian Skyrme, Director of Social Responsibility, The University of Manchester.

### Art History & Archaeology Insight

**21 October 2015, KS5**

11.30am–2.45pm

With The University of Manchester's School of Arts, Languages and Cultures and Manchester Museum

Are you interested in the world and its peoples? Students will explore how different types of human experience produce diverse forms of culture and discover courses on offer at the University.

**FREE but booking essential**

### Art and Textiles

**2 November 2015, KS4**

**4 November 2015, KS5**

10am–2.30pm

With The University of Manchester's School of Materials, MMU and the Manchester Craft & Design Centre

This full day explores contemporary textiles inspired by the *Art\_ Textiles* exhibition. Students will leave with knowledge of current textiles practice and learn new textiles techniques.

**£10 per student (100 places)**



## **Art and Astronomy**

**19 November 2015, KS5**

6–9pm

With The University of Manchester's School of Physics

Ever considered being an astronomer? This twilight masterclass will introduce you to the latest findings and research from the astronomical world.

Linking to Bedwyr William's exhibition, *Starry Messenger*, students will discover more about stargazing and look at and take photographs of the moon.

**FREE but booking essential**

## **Art and Drawing**

**11 February 2016, KS4-5**

10am–2.30pm



With The University of Manchester's National Graphene Institute and The Big Draw

Artists have been using graphite to draw since its discovery in the North West, in the 16th Century. Students will draw, debate, doodle and dream, leaving with a fresh perspective on the role of drawing and the potential for graphite.

**£10 per student (100 places)**

## **Conflict: Making Sense of War**

**2 March 2016, Year 12**

10am–2.30pm

With The University of Manchester's School of Arts, Languages and Cultures and Manchester Museum

This study day explores conflict and our culture. Students will develop new skills (critical, communication and reflective) through structured expert-led activities.

**Free but booking essential (60 places)**

## **Manchester History Day**

**23 March 2016, Year 9**

10am–2.30pm

With The University of Manchester's Widening Participation Programme

Find out more about Manchester's history and its links to the University, the Manchester Museum and the Whitworth. Students will develop analytical skills and discover the key contributors to shaping Manchester, working with University experts in this Widening Participation day.

**Free but booking essential (60 places)**

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## Secondary and Post 16 - Your Whitworth

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### Portfolio Development Day

**2 December 2015, KS5**

10am–2.30pm

Make art and gain top tips on how to develop a brilliant portfolio, as well as take a tutorial from an arts undergraduate.

**Free but booking essential (60 places)**

### Art and Careers

**16 March 2016 (during National Careers Week), KS5**

10am–2.30pm

Artists, designers and art historians reveal their journeys to careers in the arts. An opportunity for Year 12 students to get up close to artworks and learn more about next steps, exams and future pathways.

**£10 per student (100 places)**

### Exam Research Day

**1 February 2016, KS4-5**

10am–2.30pm

Led by University students our exam research day explores different forms of visual research and gives practical tips and advice about how to respond to exam questions. The session will also enable students to find out what university can offer them.

**Free but booking essential (60 places)**

### Arts Award: Bronze

**KS3-5**

Learn about the diversity of arts practice. This session is perfect for those embarking on their Bronze Arts Award. Use our collections to help your research into personal arts heroes. Meet with creative professionals to support your award.

**2 hour workshop - £90**

## Self guided visits

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Secondary School teacher

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## TACTILE - Contemporary textile handling resource

TACTILE is a series of specially commissioned textile artworks for hands-on, up-close analysis and exploration. Works by leading and emergent artists and makers sit alongside fact files and printed resources.

[tactiletextileresources.wordpress.com](http://tactiletextileresources.wordpress.com)

### Articulation at the Whitworth

4 February 2016

12.30pm–3pm

"*ARTiculation* is changing the future of British art criticism for the best."

Antony Gormley

Articulate is a national competition for sixth formers. It is designed to stimulate students' interest and understanding of art while developing individual thinking, observation, research, language and presentation skills. The North West regional heats will be held at the Whitworth and the heat winner will be entered into the national final.

Lead by the Roche Court Educational Trust

[rohecourteducationaltrust.co.uk/articulation-prize](http://rohecourteducationaltrust.co.uk/articulation-prize)

Free but booking essential

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## Secondary and Post 16 - CPD

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**"I loved being part of a team and discussing complex ideas with people who know their stuff."**

Post 16 student

Enrich your teaching and extend your practice.

### **Art\_Textiles**

**15 October 2015**

10am–3pm

This full day explores contemporary textiles, inspired by the *Art\_Textiles* exhibition and Cornelia Parker's *Magna Carta (An Embroidery)*. You will leave with knowledge of contemporary thinking in textiles practice and learn new textiles techniques. Led by professional textile artist makers and Whitworth staff.

**Full day CPD workshop**

**£25 per person**

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**National Graphene Institute** [graphene.manchester.ac.uk](http://graphene.manchester.ac.uk)

**School of Arts Languages and Cultures** [alc.manchester.ac.uk](http://alc.manchester.ac.uk)

**School of Materials** [materials.manchester.ac.uk](http://materials.manchester.ac.uk)

**School of Physics** [physics.manchester.ac.uk](http://physics.manchester.ac.uk)

**Widening Participation** [manchester.ac.uk/connect/teachers/students/secondary/widening-participation](http://manchester.ac.uk/connect/teachers/students/secondary/widening-participation)



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## Love learning

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The Whitworth has even more to offer beyond our programmes for nurseries, schools and colleges.

### Students

The Whitworth, as part of The University of Manchester, supports students' learning, research, creativity and cultural enjoyment. Find out more about how the Whitworth can be part of your academic and social life at [manchester.ac.uk/whitworth/learn/studentsandyoungpeople/students](https://manchester.ac.uk/whitworth/learn/studentsandyoungpeople/students)

### Young People

Whitworth Young Contemporaries is part of national programme Circuit designed by and for young people, aged 15-25. Find out how young people at the Whitworth connect through visual art, music and performance at [whitworthyc.org.uk](https://whitworthyc.org.uk)

### Outdoors

Our outdoor programme takes our work outside, into Whitworth Park and our surrounding green spaces, whatever the weather. Find out more about our outdoor activities for all ages at [manchester.ac.uk/whitworth/learn/outdoors](https://manchester.ac.uk/whitworth/learn/outdoors)

### Families

Discover create and learn together with your family. All our family activities are free and designed for you to enjoy a fun visit. Find out what's on for families at [manchester.ac.uk/whitworth/learn/family](https://manchester.ac.uk/whitworth/learn/family)

### Adults

We have designed a series of programmes for adults of all abilities and experience that are relevant, sociable, unexpected and thought-provoking. Find out what's on at [manchester.ac.uk/whitworth/learn/adults](https://manchester.ac.uk/whitworth/learn/adults)

### Health and Wellbeing

Cultural experiences can help improve health and wellbeing, and can result in benefits that range from the physiological to the emotional. Find out more about our Health and Culture programme at [manchester.ac.uk/whitworth/learn/healthandwellbeing](https://manchester.ac.uk/whitworth/learn/healthandwellbeing)



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## Essential information

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### The gallery and shop are open:

10am-5pm daily (until 9pm on Thursday)

### The café is open:

9am-5pm, Monday to Wednesday

9am-9.30pm, Thursday to Saturday

10am-7pm, Sunday

### Access

Our new gallery is fully accessible, with level access from Denmark Road to the park entrance and a gentle slope to the entrance on Oxford Road. There are three off street parking spaces for Blue Badge holders that can be accessed off Denmark Road. Guide dogs are welcome. Light levels can be low in some galleries; please speak to a member of staff if you would like any help, or to ask about our large-print guides and spoken tours.

The gallery has accessible toilets with baby changing, lifts, seating inside and outside the gallery and free portable stools.

### Keep in touch

Be the first to find out what's on for early years groups, schools and colleges and join one of our mailing lists.

### Early Years and Primary mailing list:

[manchester.ac.uk/whitworth/learn/schoolscollegesanduniversities/primary](http://manchester.ac.uk/whitworth/learn/schoolscollegesanduniversities/primary)

### Secondary and Post-16 mailing list:

[manchester.ac.uk/whitworth/learn/schoolscollegesanduniversities/secondary](http://manchester.ac.uk/whitworth/learn/schoolscollegesanduniversities/secondary)

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