

Welcome to Art in the Aisles 2026

The dates of exhibition are **Friday September 11th and Saturday September 12th. 10am-3pm**

This year Dearne Arts will be organising this open art exhibition. We are a local not-for-profit- art studio providing facilities for art and crafts to the local community.

Together with Rotherham Society of Arts and Crafts and Wath All Saints church we want this year to be a big celebration of local talent.

We hope that you will come along and support this event to promote Heritage Weekend.

Who can enter?

Anyone. Under 16s can enter up to 3 entries for free.

Over 16's can enter up to 5 pieces at £2 per entry.

What kind of artwork can I bring?

The artwork will be displayed on the pews, so whilst we would like to encourage a wide range of art, it must be safely displayed ([See display information](#)). Pictures, paintings, drawings, framed embroidery and individual pieces of yarn work (crochet, knitting etc) are fine. Ceramics, glass, sculpture or large craft pieces will be considered separately by negotiation prior to the event to ensure the artworks are displayed safely.

Please remember that any artwork must be suitable for viewing by all.

How do I enter my artwork?

You will need to complete [the entry form](#) and [the labels](#) and bring your [artwork](#) and [cash payment for entry fees](#) (over 16's only) to one of the drop off sessions in the week before the exhibition. Please note that entry fees are payable in cash and in full when dropping off the artwork.

Where are the drop off points?

Wath All Saints church, Church Street, Wath-upon-Dearne, S63 7RD

Dearne Arts, 18A High Street, Wath Upon Dearne, S63 7QG

When can I drop them off?

Monday 7th September evening 7-9pm Dearne Arts

Wednesday 9th September 10-12am or 1-3pm Dearne Arts

Thursday 10th September 1-3pm Dearne Arts

Thursday 10th September evening 5-7pm at All Saints church

When do I collect my work and any sales funds?

You will need to collect your work and any money from sales, at the end of the exhibition, from All Saints Church on Saturday 12th 2.30-3pm.

All money from sales is going directly back to the artist. There is no commission to pay.

Please note that artwork cannot be left in the church after this time artist.

If you would like to make a donation to Wath All Saints church, Dearne Arts or Rotherham Society of Arts and Crafts, one of the staff will be able to help you.

Displaying your artwork

Children's artwork does not need to be framed, but it will need a label with it which will be placed in front of it on the pew. Please note no liability is accepted for any damage incurred at the exhibition. Every care will be taken to look after your artwork.

Artwork for sale needs to be presented 'ready to hang'. Pictures should have an appropriated hook or stand or be strung. Canvases need to be strung.

Labels

All artwork needs a label so that it is easily identified and checked against the entry form. Labels are provided with your information. There are 3 ways to add labels.

- 1) A swing label that is attached from the frame hanger/ stringing/ item, by a piece of string long enough to allow the label to be visible when the artwork is displayed.
- 2) Attach the label to the front of the artwork with a bit of blue tac etc.
- 3) Duplicate the completed labels and stick one on the back of the artwork and hand the other one in with your entry form. Please note that NFS is shorthand for Not for Sale

How can I help?

There are lots of ways that you can help make this event a success.

- 1) Share the poster and tell friends, family and colleagues. Please share the event as widely as possible including on social media, in the press, shop windows and notice boards.
- 2) Share this invitation with arty friends and encourage them to exhibit their work, especially if they haven't done it before. It's a great way to get started.
- 3) If you are willing to bring extra entries, for free, at short notice please tick on the entry form.
- 4) Come along to the event. It's always great to meet local artists
- 5) Bring a tombola prize for the Rotherham Society of Arts and Crafts stall
- 6) Offer to help staff the event. We always need extra hands and its great to have the artists present to talk about their work.
- 7) Eat lots of scrummy, homemade cakes from the refreshments provided by Mothers Union.

Need any more info? email Ray Lewis at dearne.arts@yahoo.com Thank you