

Whitechapel Gallery Venue Hire

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About

Founded in 1901 with a mission to 'bring great art to the people of East London', the Whitechapel Gallery's beautiful historic building now houses nine galleries, a restaurant, an auditorium, and two studio spaces dedicated to education and research.

When you walk through our doors you follow the footsteps of modern masters such as **Pablo Picasso, Jackson Pollock, Mark Rothko** and **Frida Kahlo** to pioneering contemporaries such as **Zarina Bhimji, Sophie Calle, Theaster Gates, Emily Jacir** and **Michael Rakowitz**, all of whom premiered at the Whitechapel Gallery.

We are pleased to open up our versatile spaces to those looking for a unique setting for their away day, evening reception or hybrid event under the expert guidance of our dedicated event planners.

By choosing the Whitechapel Gallery for your event you are directly supporting the internationally-recognised work of the Gallery and helping us to enrich the lives of more people through access to contemporary art.



Art Icon 2024 in **Gallery 2**. Image Credit: Dan Weill Photography



Clore Creative Studio

The Clore Creative Studio is a bright and inspiring space offering views over East London's iconic skyline. This studio also has direct views of **Rodney Graham's** specially commissioned Erasmus Weathervane which sits on the roof of the Gallery and forms our first permanent public work of art.

The Clore Creative Studio is a space that encourages thought and creativity and is well suited to meetings and workshops. We can also provide HD screens, wireless microphones and technical support as part of our hybrid meeting offering. In the evening, this space is perfect for intimate seated dinners and standing drinks receptions.

Capacities

Boardroom 24

Theatre 60

Cabaret 40

Standing 60



Study Studio

A light and bright thought-provoking space that sparks discussion, the Study Studio is perfect for smaller team meetings, creative workshops and presentations and comes fully equipped with built-in AV facilities.

On display in the Study Studio you'll find a selection of books from Europe's first and largest Bengali bookshop **Ruposhi Bangla Limited** celebrating the portrayal of women in literature.

Capacities
Boardroom 24
Theatre 40
Cabaret 24
Standing 60



Gallery 3

Gallery 3 is a versatile space located in the heart of the building at Mezzanine Level. It features two sculptures by artist **Liam Gillick** inspired by his appreciation for dystopia and the filmmaker Stanley Kubrick. Access to this space is through our main exhibition and we would encourage adding a guided tour or a drinks reception to make the most of the art on view.

Gallery 3 is also well suited to board meetings, presentations and can be used as a break-out space for refreshments to accompany an Auditorium hire.



Capacities

Boardroom 22

Theatre 45

Cabaret 32

Standing 80





The Zilkha Auditorium & Studio

With its unique seating designed by Turner Prize nominee **Liam Gillick**, The Zilkha Auditorium & Studio is a work of art in its own right. This injection of colour into our large and comfortable theatre space makes it well suited to inspiring discussion or panel debate.

The space benefits from cinema quality projection and comes equipped with a Full HD digital projector and 5.1 Surround Sound. The option to live stream events is also available with full technical support.

Capacities

Seated 96

(Bespoke AV set-ups may reduce seated capacity)



The Foyer

Enter from Whitechapel Gallery High Street through our original stone arch entrance and you'll find our spacious Foyer on the ground floor offering high ceilings and unique architectural features, including the Grade II listed library staircase and a timeless interior.

Hire the space by itself or in conjunction with our current exhibition for larger drinks and canapé receptions with evening entertainment.

Capacities
Standing 250





Gallery 2

Our impressive Gallery 2 space provides the opportunity to curate your event alongside the latest Whitechapel Gallery exhibition and allow exclusive out of hours access to your guests. As the former central reading room of the Whitechapel Library, Gallery 2 is a particularly impressive space that retains its original Victorian features alongside contemporary touches in the exposed brickwork and polished concrete floor.

One of our largest spaces, Gallery 2 can accommodate conferences, seated dinners and evening receptions.

Capacities

Standing 200

Seated 150





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Rates

Day Rates*

Evening Rates*

	Full Day (8 hours)	Half Day (4 hours)	Evening (5 hours)
Gallery 3	£950	£600	£1,100
Study Studio	£950	£600	£1,100
Clore Creative Studio	£1,100	£800	£1,300
The Zilkha Auditorium and Studio	£1,400	£900	£2,000
Gallery 2	£3,000	£2,500	£5,000
Foyer (Evening hire only)	N/A	N/A	£2,200

*All rates exclude VAT

All venue hire includes a dedicated inhouse event manager, use of tables, chairs, and flipcharts or whiteboards.

Step free access is available throughout all of Whitechapel Gallery's venue hire spaces.

Hire rates are not inclusive of additional staff, specialist AV support or security guard costs and these will be quoted separately.

We are pleased to offer a 10% discount to registered charities and local businesses within a mile.

Add-Ons

Private Tours

Enhance your event at Whitechapel Gallery with the addition of a guided tour. Our Gallery experts will provide a unique insight as you explore key pieces from the exhibitions. Tours can take place from Tuesday to Sunday during normal Gallery opening hours

(11am–6pm) for groups of up to 20 and last one hour.

Guided tours start from*:

£150 per hour – Exhibition Guide

£450 per hour – Assistant Curator

£650 per hour – Curator

£950 per hour – Director

For those who wish to learn more about our current exhibitions exclusively, out-of-hours tours can be arranged. Please contact the Venue Hire Team for more information. Tours outside of public open hours are subject to additional staffing costs.

*All rates exclude VAT

AV Packages

Looking to make your event accessible to a wider audience or wish to connect with your colleagues who work from home?

Get in touch with us directly to discuss our bespoke AV offers including live streaming and hybrid meeting formats. A full AV Tech Menu is available upon request.

Approved Suppliers

We have a list of carefully selected approved suppliers, who we work with on catering, photography, floristry, entertainment and AV & Production. Please visit our [website](#) to see the full list of approved suppliers or contact the venue hire team for more information.

Sustainability

At Whitechapel Gallery, we recognise that as an arts organisation we have a disproportionately large impact on the environment due to international travel, arts shipping, energy and materials. We also have an opportunity to use our public platform and cultural influence to set a positive example, encouraging and supporting others to act.

We have committed to tackling our impacts in a number of ways, including by joining the Gallery Climate Coalition, and pledging to at least halve our carbon emissions by 2030. We ask for the same commitment from our suppliers, who we ensure meet our standards.

Our full Environmental Responsibility Statement can be found on our [website](#).

Location

Whitechapel Gallery

77-82 Whitechapel High Street, London, E1 7QX

By Underground

We are less than 1 minute walk from Aldgate East Underground station. Liverpool Street and Tower Gateway and Shoreditch High Street Overground are 15 minutes walks from the Gallery.

By Bus

The 25, 205 and 254 stop outside the Gallery. The 15, 115, 40, 42, 45 and 67 buses stop outside Aldgate Station. The 35, 43, 78, 149, 242, 344 and 388 stop on Commercial Road. The 242 and 253 stop outside Liverpool Street Station.

Cycling

The nearest docking stations for Barclays Cycle Hire are at Altab Ali Park, Aldgate East, with 15 docking stations, and Braham Street, Aldgate, with 34 docking stations available.

By Car

There are a number of external parking facilities nearby for visitors wishing to travel by car, please contact the facilities directly for more information.

NCP Whitechapel High Street, Spredaeagle Yard (off Commercial Street),
London, E1 7PJ
T: 0845 050 7080

Buckle Street Multi-storey Car Park, Buckle Street, London, E1 8EH

Free parking for Blue Badge holders are available at the top of Osborn Street in the pay and display booths for an unlimited period. Spaces are available on a first come, first served basis.

Become a Corporate Member

Did you know that Corporate Members receive complimentary or discounted venue hires? All members also receive a morning private view, free exhibition entry for all employees, VIP tours and exclusive invitations.

By becoming a Corporate Member you will make a critical contribution to advancing access, equality, education and social cohesion and nurturing creative talent through supporting one of the world's most respected art galleries.

Corporate Membership is available from £5,000 + VAT

To become a Corporate Member, please contact
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Contact

For all venue hire bookings and enquiries please contact the Whitechapel Gallery Venue Hire Team:

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