



Bristol's Art in City Hall

Programme Overview 2020

Mayor of Bristol



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team**

Summary

Mayor of Bristol, Marvin Rees initiated the programme *Bristol's Art in City Hall* to open up City Hall to Bristol's communities and provide an opportunity for all our different neighbourhoods to be represented through art.

Artists, schools and community groups are invited to display their artworks in the corridors and public spaces in the civic heart of Bristol. This new art programme will use the walls of City Hall as a platform for stories from across the city. We want one wall-based artwork from each of Bristol's 34 wards to be represented and have its own space to showcase the local talent.

Mayor of Bristol, Marvin Rees says: *"This project is about ensuring that City Hall as a public building truly represents the communities it works for in Bristol. By giving people the opportunity to showcase their creativity in City Hall I hope that people will feel greater ownership of this key civic space."*

Call for entries

The Mayor's Office, in partnership with the Culture team from Bristol City Council, are inviting for entries for the first collective arts exhibition in City Hall. Submission is free and open to Bristol-based artists, community groups, schools or arts organisations that would like to exhibit work in City Hall and represent their ward.

The 34 selected works (one from each ward) will be exhibited on the corridors between meeting rooms in the publicly accessible first floor of the building for a period of six months. Due to current Covid-19 restrictions we will not be able to open the exhibition to the public; however, we will make it accessible online.

We will mark the beginning of each exhibition period with an online unveiling event. This is an opportunity to celebrate and share the event with friends, family and residents with the Mayor of Bristol, Marvin Rees.

Theme

The exhibition theme is *Sense of Place*. Artworks should respond to the stories of the people, landscape and the buildings of their communities.

Provisional Timeline (dependant on Coronavirus restrictions)

- Submissions open Monday 2 March and close Monday 4 January 2021
- Digital selection process: 5 - 8 January 2021
- Selected artwork delivery: 11 – 22 January 2021 (all artworks need to be delivered by the artist, parent or guardian to City Hall between 09:00-17:00, Monday to Friday)
- Opening event: w/c 8 February 2021, shared online Exhibition dates: 15 February 2021 – 30 May 2021, accessible online



Submission guidelines

All applicants must apply by email to mayor@bristol.gov.uk, with a maximum of three photographs of the artwork and a completed submission form (found at the end of this document).

Photographs of artworks should be saved as a JPEG file and should not exceed a maximum size of 5MB. Please save the file name as the title of the work with your initials.

If you are successful, we will notify you by email and ask you to deliver your physical artwork to City Hall between, 11 – 22 January 2021.

Please note: We are selecting one artwork per ward.

Creative artworks in the following formats will be accepted for submission:

- Painting
- Photography
- Mixed media/ assemblage
- Collage
- Drawing
- Engraving
- Digital print (non-photographic)

Each artist or collaborative partnership can submit only one piece of work. Schools can submit a maximum of three artworks each.

Submissions can be made by individuals, schools, community groups and arts organisation, and can be solo or collaborative.

Works entered must:

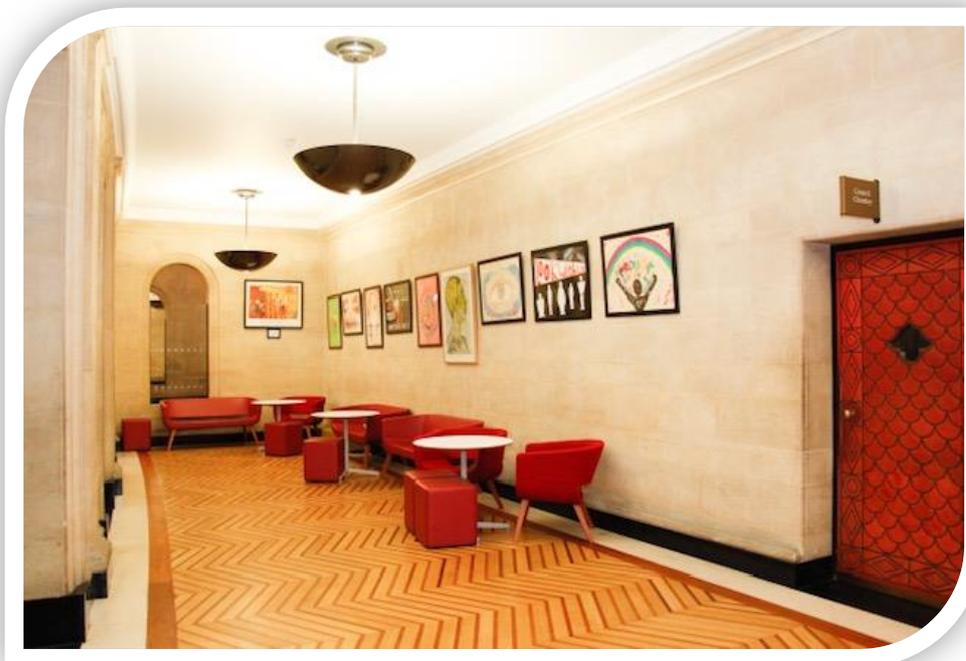
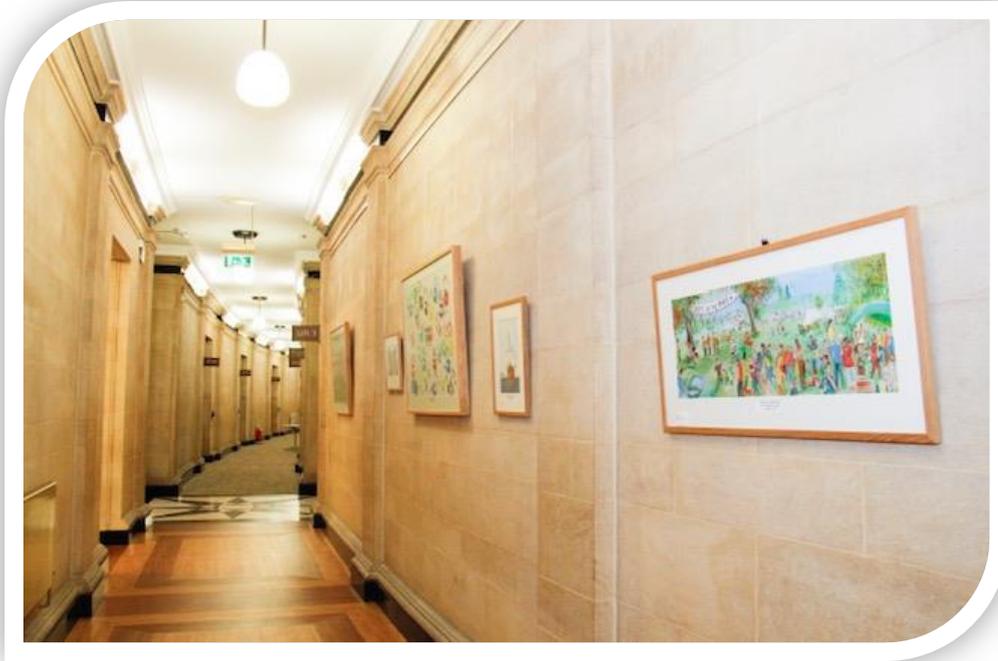
- Be specifically inspired by the artist's community
- Be the sole and original work of the entrant or collaborative partnership
- Be made of non-perishable material.
- Be ready for framing (we will frame the selected works)
- Not be replicas of already-existing works
- Not exceed the maximum dimensions as follows: All paintings, drawings, other works on paper, photography and prints must measure an A2 print size: 42.0 x 59.4cm - (16.5 x 23.4 inches)

Please note that Bristol City Council **does not** hold insurance against any loss of or damage to work and that you are displaying your artwork at your own risk.



Exhibition space

First floor and foyer, City Hall, College Green, Bristol BS1 5TR



Bristol's Art in City Hall – Submission form

About the artist

Name	
Address	
Contact number	
Email address	
Artist's statement	(Max. 100 words)

About the artwork

Title	
Medium	
Ward	

Waiver

I confirm that the information on this form is correct to the best of my knowledge and that I have the right to lend the item listed for the above intended use.

I agree to lend my work for the duration of the Art in City Hall exhibition.

I understand that I am responsible for the packing and transportation of the artworks to, and from, City Hall.

I agree to notify the Mayor's Office promptly in writing if there is any change in ownership of the artworks(s), or my address.

I understand it is my responsibility to co-ordinate the collection of the artworks with the Mayor's Office.

I agree to collect my artwork once the exhibition ends. Bristol City Council has the right to dispose of any artwork not collected after two calendar months.

I understand that Bristol City Council does not accept liability against any loss of or damage to my work.

I consent to the Mayor's Office retaining my personal data, for provenance and object enquiry purposes. Information on this form will be processed in line with current Data Protection Legislation. The Mayor's Office will store, process and use the data.

Signature	
Date	

