

THE STATION

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Since opening in November 2007, The Station has quickly established a reputation as a major North-East art exhibition venue. The wonderful surroundings of the restored Grade 2* listed Victorian railway station, with an abundance of natural light, original stone walls and vaulted iron roof provides a wonderful ambiance to display art to its best advantage.



However, The Station has much more to offer; the building incorporates a large café/restaurant, two cinemas, 6 food production and retail premises and 3 offices, bringing in a large and varied footfall; (Over 250,000 visits in its first year of opening). Many of these visitors would not normally visit a “conventional” art gallery, yet all appreciate how the exhibitions held there add to the attractiveness of the internal spaces and most have spent time browsing the art displays.

In July/August 2008, The Station Arts Advisory group organized the first A1 Open Art Exhibition which attracted over 1,200 entries from professional and amateur artists, 250 of which were selected for display. Prizes of £4,500 were awarded by the judging panel to the best works in different categories, with a further £2,500 in prizes awarded by public vote as “The People’s Choice”. During the 6 weeks that the exhibition ran, over £24,000 of paintings and photographs were sold. Several other selling exhibitions have been held at The Station, again with a high proportion of works selling to the visiting public.



How do I exhibit?

From February 2009, The Station gallery spaces are available to hire for individual or joint exhibitions by artists. The spaces consist of :-
The Mezzanine, Lower Platform and the New Addition, and can be hired singly or together with other spaces.

The minimum hire period is two weeks, and the artist is responsible for hanging their own work. The hanging system is permanently in place, and we can provide contacts details of people experienced in the gallery to assist if required.

The Station will, if required, act as a selling agent on behalf of the artist subject to a 5% administration fee, and a further 3% for credit card transactions. The remainder of the sales value will be paid to the artist after the close of the exhibition. Although not currently a member of the Arts Council "Own Art" scheme, The Station is intending to apply to join this in the near future.

Potential exhibitor's work will be assessed prior to acceptance of a booking by the Arts Consultative Group consisting of:

Simon Palmer – Watercolourist; winner of the Windsor & Newton Watercolour Award.

Gillian Howells – Arts Consultant; Board member – Arts in Richmondshire.



Hire Rates

Display Area	2 Week Hire	4 Week Hire
The Mezzanine	£350 Inc Vat	£600 Inc Vat
New Addition	£130 Inc Vat	£220 Inc Vat
Lower Platform	£190 Inc Vat	£310 Inc Vat
All Spaces	£620 Inc Vat	£1,100 Inc Vat

For further information on hiring The Station Gallery spaces, please contact Lou Holliday at info@thestation.co.uk, tel. 01748 824360 or visit our website at www.thestation.co.uk.

