

# Birmingham

# Art Map

## Autumn 2013

# Exhibitions

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# Events

# Free

Welcome to the Autumn Birmingham Art Map. The Art Map will help you to discover, explore and enjoy the great art, ideas, culture and creativity made by Birmingham for Birmingham. All exhibitions and events listed are free unless otherwise stated.

The Art Map can only list some of the huge range of exhibitions and events programmed by the city's art galleries, artist-led projects, studio groups and independent curators, so we are also delighted to announce the launch of [www.birminghamartmap.org](http://www.birminghamartmap.org) Designed as a simple, central digital information point the website offers quick links to all the listed organisations' websites making accessing up to date programme information even easier.

**1** **A3 Project Space**  
2 Bowyer Street, Digbeth, B10 0SA

A3 Project Space is a new artist-led venue in Digbeth that launched a responsive and evolving programme of exhibitions, projects and events in June 2013.

**\*** **Art Bus**

Now in its tenth year Art Bus offers a chance to visit five of the city's leading art galleries – The Barber Institute of Fine Arts, Eastside Projects, Ikon Gallery, mac birmingham and the RBSA Gallery – in one evening, for free.

**2** **ARTicle Gallery**  
School of Art, Birmingham City University, Margaret Street, B3 3BX

ARTicle gallery, is an experimental gallery and project space located within The School of Art. The programme's focus is on curatorial practice and is run in partnership with the MA Contemporary Curatorial Practice course.

**\*** **Balsall Heath Biennale**

The Balsall Heath Biennale is conceived and co-ordinated by artists Elizabeth Rowe and Chris Poolman. The project features exhibitions, talks, performances, events and cats.

**3** **The Barber Institute of Fine Arts**  
The University of Birmingham, Edgbaston, B15 2TS

Major works by artists including Monet, Magritte, Botticelli, Van Dyck and Turner hang in the galleries at the University of Birmingham based Barber, alongside fantastic temporary exhibitions. And it's all free!

**4** **Birmingham Museum and Art Gallery**  
Chamberlain Square, B3 3DH

There are more than 40 galleries to explore in the grand Grade II listed building displaying art and objects spanning seven centuries of history and culture.

**5** **Birmingham Printmakers**  
90 Floodgate Street, Digbeth, B5 5SR

Birmingham Printmakers is an open access workshop run on a membership basis with facilities for a wide range of printmaking. We offer regular classes including etching, relief printing and screenprinting.

**\*** **Capsule**

Capsule have gained a reputation as a dynamic and innovative arts producer, initiating, commissioning and producing multi disciplinary work. Crafting extraordinary events for adventurous audiences including the internationally renowned Supersonic Festival.

**\*** **Companis Food Provocateurs**

Companis delights in the absurd, the naughty and the down-right dirty, weaving this into our work of bespoke and humorous dining experiences which immerse the diner in a fusion of performance, food and spectacle.

**6** **Eastside Projects**  
86 Heath Mill Lane, Digbeth, B9 4AR

Eastside Projects is a free public gallery that is being imagined and organized by artists. Our ambitious exhibition programme is accompanied by regular events, talks and performances.

**7** **The Edge/Friction Arts**  
The Edge, 79-81 Cheapside, Digbeth, B12 0QH

Friction Arts exists to create change and to seek out and test new ways to connect and inspire people through engagement with the arts.

**\*** **Fierce Festival**

Birmingham's premier live art and performance festival. Widely recognised as one of the UK's most important contemporary arts festivals, Fierce has established an international reputation for risk-taking, excellence and innovation.

**8** **Grand Union**  
19 Minerva Works, 158 Fazeley St, Digbeth, B5 5RS

Grand Union is a gallery and studios that supports the development of artists and curators through provision of high quality studios and an exciting programme of free exhibitions and events.

**9** **Ikon Gallery**  
1 Oozells Sq, Brindleyplace, B1 2HS

Ikon Gallery is an internationally acclaimed contemporary art venue, showing work by artists from around the world. Visitors can enjoy talks, tours and workshops or browse Ikon's independent bookshop.

**10** **Library of Birmingham**  
Centenary Square, B1 2ND

Capsule is delighted to present the Library of Birmingham's Discovery Season, inspired by the Library's internationally important archives and special collections.

**11** **Library of Birmingham Gallery**  
Centenary Square, B1 2ND

The new Library of Birmingham will provide a showcase for the city's internationally important collections and will provide state of the art facilities. *Reference Works* is the first exhibition.

**12** **The Lombard Method**  
68a Lombard Street, Digbeth, B12 0QR

The Lombard Method is an artist-led studio and project space that supports the development of artists through an exciting and challenging programme of residencies, exhibitions and events.

**13** **mac birmingham**  
Cannon Hill Park, B12 9QH

mac birmingham is a contemporary arts centre, which provides arts for all. We offer free exhibitions year round and a wide range of creative workshops, courses, events and performances.

**14** **Margaret Street Free Arts Council**  
Unit 1, The Edge, 79-81 Cheapside, Digbeth, B12 0QH

The Margaret Street Free Art Council (MSFAC) are an art collective built on fair exchange and ethical collaboration. We operate within a constructed institutional framework, striving for cooperation between contemporary art and radical politics.

**15** **Ort Gallery**  
500-504 Moseley Rd, Balsall Heath, B12 9AH

Ort Gallery is an artist-run gallery space in Balsall Heath, an underprivileged neighbourhood in Birmingham. Ort Gallery's aim is to showcase artwork from artists in a state of emergence.

**\*** **PEA**

PEA has a strong focus on visual art featuring artists from Central and Eastern Europe as well as artists interested in the region, its specificity, culture, history and socio-political situation.

**16** **RBSA Gallery**  
4 Brook Street, B3 1SA

The Royal Birmingham Society of Artists (RBSA) is an artist-led charity which supports artists and promotes engagement with the visual arts through a range of exhibitions, workshops and demonstrations.

**\*** **[RHP] CDRs**

[RHP] CDRs is a research, production and event programming unit committed to investigating the relationships between visual and aural practices within the contexts of contemporary art and experimental music.

**17** **Stryx**  
13 Minerva Works, 158 Fazeley St, Digbeth, B5 5RS

Stryx is an artist-led studio, project and exhibition space formed by Fine Art graduates in 2012 who work together to foster a diverse range of events, exhibitions and projects.

**18** **three**  
3 Mary Street, Hockley, B3 1UD

*three*, the team that brought you Thrift Radiates Happiness. *three's* programme reflects the most current and exciting art talent found in the West Midlands today.

**19** **Vivid Projects**  
16 Minerva Works, 158 Fazeley St, Digbeth, B5 5RS

Vivid Projects is a collaborative agency dedicated to exploring the convergence of film, video, performance and interdisciplinary practice.

**20** **Who Punched the Unicorn**  
School of Art, Birmingham City University, Margaret Street, B3 3BX

Birmingham School of Art presents a diverse collection of contemporary practice, final presentation exhibitions and research from all Art-Based Masters courses.

**21** **The Wig**  
55 Great Tindal St, Ladywood, Birmingham B16 8DR

The Wig is a fluid space for experimental practice, exhibition space and artists studios.

**22** **Winter Art Fair**  
1 Oozells Sq, Brindleyplace, B1 2HS

Four of Birmingham's leading contemporary art galleries Ikon Gallery, Eastside Projects, The Lombard Method and Grand Union collaborate to present a special Winter Art Fair.

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## Future Listings

The next Art Map will list exhibitions and events from 1st January to 30th April 2014. Submission deadline is 1st December 2013. A listing costs between £30 and £50 depending on the size of your organization, project or group and whether you are profitmaking or not. We only accept visual arts listings, but define this broadly.

If you are interested drop us a line at [mail@birminghamartmap.org](mailto:mail@birminghamartmap.org)

**1** **A3 Project Space**  
2 Bowyer Street, Digbeth, B10 0SA  
Opening times vary, see website for details  
a3projectspace.org

**\* Art Bus**  
See participating gallery websites for details

**Art Bus** 11/12, 5–9pm  
Hop on and off the bus and enjoy an evening of after hours access to the Barber Institute of Fine Arts, Eastside Projects, Ikon Gallery, mac birmingham, and the RBSA Gallery. With free tours Art Bus offers a great opportunity to discover new venues and explore old favourites.

**2** **ARTicle**  
School of Art, Birmingham City University, Margaret Street, B3 3BX  
Mon–Thurs 10am–6pm  
Friday 10am–5pm  
articlegallery.info

**The Femail Project** 7/9–11/9  
Exhibition curated by Emma Leppington, Graduate Show – MA Contemporary Curatorial Course (also open Sat 7 and Sun 8 Sept, 10am–4pm)  
**Fierce Festival Archive** 24/9–16/10  
Exhibition curated by Harun Morrison, Sarah Farmer and Kate Lambert (also open Saturday 5 October)  
\*For full programme details see website

**\* Balsall Heath Biennale**  
Locations and opening times vary see website for details  
balsallheathbiennale.com

**Public Art. How Does It Get Made?** 10/9, 6.30–8pm  
Talk with Ruth Claxton & Claire Doherty, Ort Gallery

**Balsall Heath Biennale International Open Submission Exhibition & David Sherry Performance** 27/9, 4–9pm  
Exhibition Judges Gavin Wade, Sarah Shalgosky, Zoe Lippett, Cheryl Jones  
58 Eastwood Road, B12 9NB.

**3** **The Barber Institute of Fine Arts**  
The University of Birmingham, Edgbaston, B15 2TS  
Mon–Fri 10am–5pm  
Sat–Sun 11am–5pm  
(Closed 23–25 Dec)  
barber.org.uk

**Function 4: Portraiture** 6/9–24/11  
Highly original photographs by BCU students  
**Sonic Vision: New Electroacoustic Music Inspired by Art** 13/9–10/11  
A groundbreaking sound installation inspired by Barber paintings  
**John Monks: Painting in Layers** 15/11–26/01  
Layered paintings of interiors and everyday objects by this London-based artist

**4** **Birmingham Museum and Art Gallery**  
Chamberlain Square, B3 3DH  
Mon–Thu 10am–5pm  
Fri 10.30am–5pm  
Sat 10am–5pm  
Sun 12.30pm–5pm  
bmag.org.uk

**George Catlin: American Indian Portraits** 12/7–13/10  
Native American life told through vivid portraits from the 19th century  
**A Squash and a Squeeze: Sharing Stories with Julia Donaldson\*** 20/7–3/11  
Captivating stories, including the Gruffalo, are brought to life  
**Photorealism\*** 30/11–30/03  
Key photorealist works from the 1960's to the present day  
\*See website for ticket prices

**5** **Birmingham Printmakers**  
90 Floodgate Street, Digbeth, B5 5SR  
Location and opening times vary, see website for details  
birminghamprintmakers.org

**Birmingham Printmakers: Thirty Years of Printmaking 1983–2013** 19/10–19/11  
Group exhibition at Birmingham Museum and Art Gallery  
**Open Day** 23/11, 10–4pm  
Open studio event, a chance to visit the workshop, meet some of the members, see their work and buy cards and prints

**\* Capsule**  
Location and opening times vary, see website for details  
capsule.org.uk

**Bring to Light** 25/10–27/10  
Inspired by Supersonic Festival and celebrating the best in new music and performance the programme combines electronic music, folk, electro acoustic composition, hip hop and more with performances from Dinos Chapman, Shangaan Electro, Masaki Batch alongside rare footage from Coventry born music pioneer Delia Derbyshire and new work inspired by her innovations. See website for ticket prices

**\* Companis Food Provocateurs**  
Location and opening times vary, see website for details  
companis.co.uk

**Rude Food Fiesta: It's a bit of a mouthful!** 14/9, 4–11pm  
Specially commissioned rude food, lewd cooking demos, artist performances, specially brewed ales, cocktails and live music. Tickets £15 from rudefoodfiesta.eventbrite.co.uk  
**Sensorial literary journey for the Library of Birmingham** 10/10  
See website for full programme

**6** **Eastside Projects**  
86 Heath Mill Lane, Digbeth, B9 4AR  
Wed–Sat 12–5pm  
eastsideprojects.org

**Haze and Fog** 21/9–16/11  
Solo exhibition by Chinese artist Cao Fei  
**Dear Lynda** 21/9–16/11  
Exhibition of material from curator Lynda Morris' archive  
**Eastside Projects 5th Birthday Party** 11/10, 7–10pm  
**Trade Show** 7/12–22/02  
Group exhibition exploring trading structures used by artists within everyday life situations  
\*For full programme details see website

**7** **The Edge/Friction Arts**  
79–81 Cheapside, Digbeth, B12 0QH  
Opening times vary, see website for details  
frictionarts.com  
digbethechoes.com

**Echoes** 22/8–16/11  
A performance without performers. A tour without a guide. An exhibition about place, pressed, stitched and spun out of the memories of the people who lived and worked in Digbeth and Highgate over the past sixty years  
\*Open Thurs–Sat. Book online  
digbethechoes.com/echoes-exhibition

**\* Fierce Festival**  
Locations and opening times vary, see website for details  
weariefierce.org

**Fierce Festival** 4/10–6/10  
The internationally acclaimed programme of ground-breaking art and performance celebrates its 15th anniversary. Over three days events and interventions will appear in spaces across Birmingham including a full day of events at Warwick Arts Centre  
\*See website for full event listings and ticket prices

**8** **Grand Union**  
19 Minerva Works, 158 Fazeley Street, Digbeth, B5 5RS  
Thurs–Sat 12–5pm during exhibitions plus additional events listed  
grand-union.org.uk

**And The Heavens Cried** 6/9–27/10  
Solo exhibition by Bob Parks  
**Artist's Talk** 17/9  
Bob Parks in Conversation with Marcus Werner Hed  
**Record Swap Workshop** 26/10  
Listen to records with R'n'B enthusiast Bob Parks  
\* See website for additional events and Nov–Dec programme details

**9** **Ikon Gallery**  
1 Oozells Square, Brindleyplace, B1 2HS  
Tues–Sun 11am–6pm & Bank Holiday Mondays  
ikon-gallery.co.uk

**Reporting Back** 25/9–10/11  
Exhibition of paintings by Birmingham-born artist Hurvin Anderson  
**Tim Johnson** 4/12–9/2  
Exhibition of paintings by Australian artist primarily concerned with the communication of unseen phenomena  
**David Tremlett** 4/12–21/4  
Exhibition by the British artist, best known for his large-scale wall drawings

**10** **IZ-B12: Margaret Street Free Arts Council**  
Unit 1, The Edge, 79–81 Cheapside, B12 0QH  
Opening times vary see website for details  
distrakshun.blogspot.co.uk

**MSFAC present IZ-B12**  
A six-month programme of events investigating the art of activism and resistance through critical theory, exhibitions, music, discussion and more. For information including listings please visit our website or email artpunks@aol.com

**11** **Library of Birmingham**  
Centenary Square, B1 2ND  
Opening times vary see website for details  
libraryofbirmingham.com

**Capsule curated Discovery Season** 3/9–31/12  
Events and exhibitions encompassing a wide range of media including sound, digital media and extraordinary objects chosen for their ability to stimulate questions about what a library can be. Artists include Morag Myerscough, Juneau Projects, Lucy McLauchlan, Matt Watkins, Book Apothecary, Serena Korda and more

**12** **Library of Birmingham Gallery**  
Centenary Square, B1 2ND  
Mon–Fri 8am–8pm  
Sat 9am–5pm  
Sun 11am–4pm  
reference-works.com  
libraryofbirmingham.com

**Reference Works: New work by Michael Collins, Brian Griffin, Andrew Lacon and Stuart Whipps** 3/9–29/12  
*Reference Works* is a major new photography commission in which four leading artists have made creative responses to the new Library of Birmingham and the old Central Library

**13** **The Lombard Method**  
68a Lombard Street, Digbeth, B12 0QR  
Opening times vary, see website for details  
thelombardmethod.org

**Matt Welch** 24/8–8/9  
Solo exhibition of new work made during a one-month residency at The Lombard Method  
**End of residency event** 31/10–1/11  
Final presentation from this year's graduate artists in residence

**14** **mac birmingham**  
Cannon Hill Park, B12 9QH  
9am–late  
macarts.co.uk

**The Garden** 21/9–24/11  
Sculpture, video, drawing and photography by Vered Lahav  
**Sounding the River** 3/10–6/10  
Outdoor, performance on the River Rea. From £8  
**Cannon Hill Lectures** 8/10–26/11  
Weekly sessions for young people aged 16–24  
**Tall Stories: The Snow Dragon** 26/11–8/12  
For ages 3+. From £9  
**NIE: Hansel and Gretel** 3/12–14/12  
For ages 5+. From £10

**15** **Ort Gallery**  
500–504 Moseley Rd, Balsall Heath, B12 9AH  
Tues–Sun 10am–5pm  
ortgallery.co.uk

**Suck the Living Labour** 4/9–16/10  
Solo Exhibition by Pil and Galia Kollektiv  
**Identity Parade** 8/11–14/12  
Solo Exhibition by Sadie Hennessy  
**Artist Talk by Pil and Galia Kollektiv** 4/9, 7pm  
**Workshop with Pil and Galia Kollektiv** 16/10, 7pm  
**Workshop with Sadie Hennessy** 9/11, 2pm  
**Guided Tour by Sadie Hennessy** 14/12, 2pm

**\* PEA**  
Locations and opening times vary see website for details  
polishexpats.org.uk/art/

**Enthusiast: archive** 27/9–29/9  
Exhibition by Neil Cummings and Marysia Lewandowska  
**Talk by Neil Cummings** 26/9, 7–8pm  
Exhibition and event hosted by Stryx\*

**16** **RBSA Gallery**  
4 Brook Street, B3 1SA  
Mon–Fri 10.30am–5.30pm  
Sat 10.30am–5pm  
Sun 1–5pm  
rbsa.org.uk

**Galactic** 22/7–19/10  
Craft exhibition  
**Members & Associates' Exhibition** 11/9–12/10  
**Kaleidoscope** 21/10–18/01  
Craft exhibition  
**RBSA: Our Collection, Our Archive and You** 11/11–22/11  
Open Exhibition 27/11–24/12  
Exhibition of entries by artists from across the UK

**\* [RHP] CDRs**  
Location and opening times vary, see website for details  
rhpcdrs.wordpress.com

**SVARTVIT** 6/11  
Performance by Dutch Sound Artist. Venue and time to be confirmed, see website for details. Free entry, but donations welcome. See www.rhp cdrs.wordpress.com for further programme details

**17** **Stryx**  
13 Minerva Works, 158 Fazeley Street, Digbeth, B5 5RS  
Opening times vary see website for details  
stryx.co.uk

**Narrative Structures** 1/9–11/9  
Group exhibition  
**Enthusiast: archive** 27/9–29/9  
Exhibition by Neil Cummings and Marysia Lewandowska  
**Stryx hosts Fierce Festival Hub** 3/10–7/10  
**Nocturne: Part 2** 18/10  
Collaborative event  
**Light Capture** 25/10–31/10  
Video exhibition  
**Synchresis** 15/11–21/11  
Video/sound exhibition  
**STRYX** 15/12–21/12  
Group exhibition

**18** **three**  
3 Mary Street, Hockley, B3 1UD  
Mon–Fri 11–4pm  
bryanpriestnewman.com/about/three

**Edward Wakefield** 3/10–17/10  
Solo exhibition of collages with a performance on the opening night  
**Jane Tudge** 7/11–21/11  
Paintings made from wax in this solo show

**19** **Vivid Projects**  
16 Minerva Works, 158 Fazeley Street, Digbeth, B5 5RS  
Opening times vary see website for details  
vividprojects.org.uk

**Free School: Poetry, Carnival, Politics** 5/9–7/9  
Curated by Ian Sergeant  
**Call to Arms** 7/9  
With Bristol Radical Film Festival, £3  
**33 Revolutions** 11/9  
Event with Unconvention  
**Kuchar Brothers** 13/9  
16mm film with Flatpack Festival, £6  
**Rebel Girl** 19/9–21/9  
Group Exhibition  
**Slide/Tape** 5/10–16/11  
Group Exhibition  
\* See website for times and tickets

**20** **Who Punched the Unicorn?**  
School of Art, Birmingham City University, Margaret Street, B3 3BX  
Open Fri 6/9 6–9pm, Sat–Sun 10am–4pm, Mon–Weds 10am–5pm  
whopunchedtheunicorn.tumblr.com  
cfar-biad.co.uk

**Who Punched The Unicorn?** 6/9–11/9  
MA Shows at the School of Art. See websites for up to date listings of all School of Art and research events accessible to the public

**21** **The Wig**  
55 Great Tindal St, Ladywood, B16 8DR  
Opening times vary see website for details  
thewigbirmingham.blogspot.com

**The Wig Social**  
Every third Friday of the month  
**Transmission** 25/10–31/10  
A Group Show  
**'Versus'** 22/11  
**The Wig Christmas Party** 13/12

**22** **Winter Art Fair**  
Ikon Gallery, 1 Oozells Square, Brindleyplace, B1 2HS  
Friday 29/11 6–8pm  
Saturday 11am–6pm  
Sunday 11am–2pm

**Winter Art Fair** 29/11–1/12  
Featuring a range of affordable works including limited edition prints, publications and sculptural multiples, suitable for the home or office, as an investment or a great Christmas gift. For further details visit participating gallery websites



**Walking times**  
RBSA Gallery → The Lombard Method, 30 mins  
Vivid Projects → Ikon Gallery, 34 mins  
Ikon Gallery → The Wig, 11 mins  
The Wig → Eastside Projects, 40 mins  
Friction Arts → Grand Union, 11 mins  
Eastside Projects → A3 Project Space, 10 mins