

# Two Temple Place

## Primary School Trip Pack

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Arranging and booking a trip to Two Temple Place is easy and rewarding.

### Why should you come to Two Temple Place?

*'I have led school trips to a variety of London art galleries for over twenty years. Without question this was the most inspiring and organized visit I have ever been on.'*

Sarah Counter, Principal, Canary Wharf College

Two Temple Place are delighted to once again offer our hugely successful **FREE** storytelling workshops for primary schools coinciding with our eighth exhibition, **John Ruskin: The Power of Seeing** (26<sup>th</sup> January – 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2019). The workshops will be led by experienced education providers, *theWholeStory*, who have led workshops at Historic Royal Palaces, the National Maritime Museum, the Horniman Museum, the Geffrye Museum and the Victoria & Albert Museum.

Two Temple Place, itself an extraordinary architectural gem built in the late 19<sup>th</sup> century along the Thames Embankment, will re-open on 26<sup>th</sup> January 2019 with the exhibition, **John Ruskin: The Power of Seeing**. For this exhibition Two Temple Place will bring together paintings, drawings, plaster casts, manuscripts and minerals to illustrate how Ruskin's attitude to beauty shaped his radical views on culture and society.

Our seven previous exhibitions, some of which include 'William Morris: Story, Memory, Myth' 2011-2012, 'DISCOVERIES: Art, Science & Exploration from the University of Cambridge Museums' 2014, 'Beyond Beauty: Transforming the body in ancient Egypt' 2016 and 'Rhythm & Reaction: The Age of Jazz in Britain' 2018 have attracted enormous interest, with over 280,000 members of the public visiting and over 5,000 London primary school children enjoying imaginative storytelling-led workshops. Please see <https://twotempleplace.org/exhibitions/> for details on all our past exhibitions.

## Who can make a booking?

Any state primary school can make a booking for a Year 5 or Year 6 class.

## Can a school bring more than one class to participate in a workshop?

Yes, we welcome multiple bookings from schools but we can only book in one class of 30 children per day.

## How do you get to Two Temple Place?

Our address is 2 Temple Place, London, WC2R 3BD. The nearest tube station is Temple, which is on the Circle & District lines. To plan your route we suggest using [www.tfl.gov.uk](http://www.tfl.gov.uk) - your school may have an account with TFL through which you can book your journey.

Children and accompanying adults travel for free on the tubes and buses on the school's ticket. However, please be aware that for school groups to travel for free on the tube, schools must apply for the tickets at least 14 days in advance. In addition, tube journeys beginning in zone 1 or 2 cannot begin before 9:50, while tube journeys beginning in zones 3-9 can begin at 9:30. Bus and tram journeys can also begin at 9:30. Please note we recommend that school groups arrive as close to 10am as possible.

## Are there any maps available?

Yes, on our website we have a link to a map of our location and to the TFL website where there are tube maps and other journey planning tools available. Our website link is: <http://www.twotempleplace.org/visit-us>



## What are the gallery's opening hours?

During the week we are open Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 10.00 – 16.30. We are closed on Tuesdays.

## How much will a visit cost?

Visits to Two Temple Place are **FREE**. This includes admission to the exhibition, a **FREE** workshop with the *WholeStory* and use of the lunch room. Thanks to the generous support from the Bulldog Trust and the Guild of St. George, we are able to offer these workshops to primary schools for free to state schools.

## How can you make a booking?

A booking form is available to download from our website:

<https://twotempleplace.org/learning/plan-your-school-visit/>

Please specify the following information:

- > 1st, 2nd and 3rd choice of dates for your visit
- > The number of students and adults attending
- > Any access or special needs requirements

You can send your completed booking form and make further enquiries to our Education Coordinator, Shivani Patel, by email at [education@twotempleplace.org](mailto:education@twotempleplace.org). You may also phone on 020 7836 3715.

## What will the FREE workshop consist of?

This year the *WholeStory* will invite Year 5 and 6 children to delve into the mind of John Ruskin, who believed that both art and nature are essential to humans as individuals and as a society. A radical thinker for the Victorian era (Ruskin advocated for education for girls and less industrialisation - he even warned of the damage being done to the environment!), he is celebrated today as a historic figure who made waves by speaking up for what he thought was important. What will your class do to improve their world and their future? What will they take a stand for?

We're inviting schoolchildren across London to explore and discover through an immersive storytelling workshop how Ruskin promoted his ideas and how children today can be engaged with making a positive impact on their city.

During this workshop your school group will spend time in both the exhibition and in a dedicated space for creative activities, drawing from observation and contributing to an enormous collaborative art display. They will voice their commitments to improving their surroundings – perhaps picking up litter or spending more time outdoors - and make demands from those in power; whether it's clean air to breathe, a place to hear and make music, creating a sanctuary for badgers in Hyde Park or mosaics on the school wall, children are encouraged to speak up!

This project will conclude with close to 1000 schoolchildrens' commitments and demands being presented to the Mayor of London's office. We will impress on Sadiq Khan that Ruskin's belief that art and nature are essential to wellbeing are just as valid today as 200 years ago, and that we are all responsible for their enactment.

The workshop will begin shortly after you arrive (as close to 10:00 as possible) and should finish at the latest 14.30 with a lunch break in between.

### Is there somewhere for the children to have lunch and leave their coats?

Yes. We have converted the underground vault into a lunchroom for the children. There is space for them to sit and eat, and for them to leave any coats and bags.

### Can we come and do a self-led visit without a workshop?

Of course you can! We welcome all school groups to the gallery. Please do let us know of your plans in advance so that we can help you make the most of your visit. Please note all facilities including the lunchroom may not be available for your use if there is a school group booked in a workshop at the same time.

### Is there any outdoor space for them to run around in?

Yes. Two Temple Place is just next to Temple Gardens where children would be able to get some fresh air (see map above).

### Do you have a risk assessment for Two Temple Place?

Yes. Please get in touch and we can supply you with a copy. A Hazard Identification Sheet can be downloaded from our website <http://www.twotempleplace.org/learning/plan-your-school-visit/>

We pride ourselves on the friendly and accommodating service we offer to schools. We look forward to hearing from you soon.

## Feedback from previous workshops:

*"Such an enjoyable experience. So much passion from everyone which really touched and inspired us all! I can't stop smiling. This trip has brought out the 'JAZZ' in us all!"*

[St. Stephen's C of E Primary School \(2018\)](#)

*"The storyteller was excellent and engaging – a very dynamic and humorous teacher. Our children were interested in the whole day from start to finish. An incredible day!"*

[Camelot Primary School \(2017\)](#)

*"The storytelling workshop was perfect for the children and fitted in really well with our Literacy unit, it has given us lots of scope for continuing the work back at school."*

[St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School \(2016\)](#)

*"It was lovely hearing other classes roaring with laughter...the whole experience was excellent for the children."*

[St. John's RC Primary School \(2014\)](#)

*"The workshops...were brilliant – very informative and pitched at the right level for the age of our children. The fact that the children were so well behaved is a testament to the success of the exhibition and your organisation."*

[Dulwich Hamlet Junior School \(2011-12\)](#)