

' Great Western Road, Pai

ARTIST BRIEF

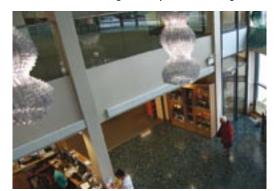


Background

The new Paignton Library and Information Centre, which opened mid September 2010, is a modern, community facility with some excellent features including

- a convenient town centre location with good public transport links
- flexible accommodation with meeting spaces and 'interview' rooms for local community organisations
- self-service issue terminals
- café
- out of 'normal' hours use.

Many elements of the fixture and fittings have been creatively led; for example the lights in the main building, the seating both at the front of the building and in the reading garden, etchings within the building and the time capsule have all been designed by some incredible artists. You will also notice a stunning outdoor artwork at the entrance to the building which has been very kindly designed specifically for this space by Paignton artist, Kelvin Halloran. In addition, there have been numerous workshops which have allowed local residents to become a part of this new and exciting development for Paignton.



The hub will not only act as a library, but will also offer a new home to many local organisations including the Police. The vision is to create a true community facility in the heart of Paignton.

Now that the library is open, we are looking to offer exhibition space for artists (usually 6-8 weeks). We welcome applications from all artists and there are no fixed ideas on the kind of work that will be accepted; we are hoping to attract a wide range of styles from artists at various stages in their careers. When considering work to submit, please bear in mind that this is a busy public space.

The exhibition space

We are able to offer wall space and also a locked cabinet for small 3d works. Please note, at this time we cannot take payment for sales on site but are happy for you to include or provide your contact details, should people wish to make a sale. You will be requested to provide labels for your work and an artist biography suitable for display.

Please feel free to come along and visit the space – for opening hours please visit www.torbay.gov.uk/libraries



Insurance

This needs to be covered by the artist's own insurance provision.

Publicity

Torbay Council will arrange for a press release to be circulated at the start of every new exhibition. A draft will be sent to you prior to distribution by our Communications Team. Copies are sent to all councillors and distributed to local and regional media. We will also include the details on our website.

Additional details

The space is offered on a six week basis, unless agreed otherwise. The exhibition must be installed by the artist, unfortunately it is not possible to provide staff from the library.

How to apply

Please submit the application form below along with two electronic images of your work to arts@torbay.gov.uk. There are no closing dates and responses will be given within four weeks of receipt.