

# Pathways to Wellbeing

FREE Museum-based creative opportunities to support positive mental health and wellbeing.

Looking for creative groups or to learn new skills? Interested in Museums and Art? Want to meet new people and get out?



PATHWAYS TO WELLBEING CHANGING LIVES THROUGH ART Pathways to Wellbeing is an exciting programme of creative groups which take place at the Holburne Museum and partner museums and galleries in Bath.

These friendly groups are designed to support people who have lived experience of mental health challenges and issues related to loneliness and social isolation. No experience is necessary to join.













We offer safe, calm, inspiring, informative and welcoming spaces for people to explore their creativity, learn about local heritage and have fun!

We work will specialist artists who support people to learn new skills using high quality art materials and equipment.

All our groups are well supported by trained staff and volunteers who are non-judgmental, friendly and passionate about the benefits of creativity for mental health and wellbeing.

We believe that giving ourselves time to enjoy museums, art and creativity can be life-changing.

Come and join us!



## **Useful Information:**

Regular groups run all year round, meeting either **weekly** or **bi-weekly** in museums.

New groups start in **April** and **September** each year but spaces may be available at other times.

Most groups run for **23 weeks** (with occasional breaks) + some short 'taster' courses through the year.

There are clear progression routes to 'move on' to other Pathways groups including the Discover Museums course.

**Please note:** Anyone who has previously attended a group is not eligible to reapply for a new place.

For up to date information see: www.holburne.org/pathways

## Gardener's Lodge Art Group

Where: Based at the Holburne Museum (and partner museums and galleries)When: Every Wednesday afternoonPlaces: 10 places (regular attendance is required)

A friendly, supported group where you can develop your art skills, be creative and meet like-minded people in a safe environment.

- Fun range of creative sessions and projects led by specialist artists
- All materials and refreshments are provided
- Opportunities to exhibit work in museums and take part in community art events

#### IMAGE – Peer-Supported Museum Group

 Where: Based at the Holburne Museum (and partner museums and galleries)
When: Every other Wednesday morning
Places: 10 places (regular attendance is required)

Moving towards greater creative independence, a less supported group for people who want to deepen their engagement with museums and creativity.

Enjoy a combination of artist led and independent sessions where members of the group support each other to develop creative responses to exhibitions and collections.

There are also opportunities to help organise and facilitate events, share skills and exhibit art work.

#### Discover Museums - Pathways to Volunteering

#### 6 WEEK SUPPORTED COURSE WITH YOUR OWN INDIVIDUAL MENTOR

Where: Based at the Holburne Museum When: 2 hrs per week at a regular time (to suit you) Check website for enrolment date Places: Approx. 10 places – commitment is essential!

Find out more about volunteering in a museum, develop your confidence, knowledge and skills with the support of your own friendly museum mentor.

- See behind the scenes and meet curators and museum staff
- Work with your mentor to find out more about an object you like
- Complete a creative project and share it with friends and family at a special celebration event

## Happy Mondays -Creative Collective

Where: Based at the Holburne Museum
When: Monthly (Monday mornings)
Places: A membership group\* for those who have completed at least one other Pathways to Wellbeing group

An independent collective of Pathways to Wellbeing members. Enjoy free access to the Holburne's collection and exhibitions and a space to create and connect with others.

Basic art materials provided, bring your own projects to work on. To find out more please see website: www.holburne.org/pathways



\*small annual subscription fee

## To apply for a place or for more information

#### Pathways groups are referral only groups.

Ask your support worker, social prescriber or GP to contact us on your behalf.

We work with lots of mental health and support organisations in the Bath area and can contact you for a chat.

#### Or self refer:

- Fill out a quick on-line application form by searching www.holburne.org/pathways and scrolling to the grey button – Apply to join a Pathways group
- TEXT Pathways + your name to 07380 615276
- Phone or email us

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## We'll be in touch!

