

Visual Story

Welcome to Cartwright Hall Art Gallery

This visual story is for visitors who may have accessibility needs, are neurodiverse or simply curious about visiting. We want you to be able to plan a visit and know what to expect. It has information about how you can get here, what facilities we have and how you can get around the building.

An aerial shot of Cartwright Hall in the grounds, image by Phillip Jackson.



Cartwright Hall was opened in 1904, as an art gallery. People sometimes think it is an old house, but nobody has ever lived here! Cartwright Hall can be found in the centre of beautiful Lister Park, which has won several national awards.



A sculpture of Diana the Huntress within a colourful flowerbed, with Cartwright Hall behind, image by Phillip Jackson.

How to get here

Cartwright Hall Art Gallery is located in Lister Park, which is one and a half miles from Bradford City Centre, on the A650 Manningham Lane.

There is limited parking in Lister Park and lots of on-street parking around the park.

The what3words location of the carpark is meals.select.owls.

The carpark is free.



The car park within Lister Park.

Cartwright Hall's closest railway station is Frizinghall but the walk from the station is quite steep.

Buses that will bring you to the park are, 621, 622, 626, 653, 662, 680, A3, A99.

You can use the journey planner on [Plan a journey | Metro \(wymetro.com\)](https://www.wymetro.com/)

Cartwright Hall's What3words location is reef.rams.sorters

When you arrive

The main entrance is opposite the flower beds and is up a flight of stairs. We have two sets of wooden doors and then you are inside the gallery.

You'll notice the black and white marble floor. Welcome to the gallery! You'll be greeted by a member of visitor services who will let you know what's on.

The gallery is free, but we welcome 'Pay As You Feel' donations suggested at £3.00 per person.

A view through the door to the main entrance of Cartwright Hall, image by Phillip Jackson.

We ask that large bags are left in the free lockers near the reception desk. Scooters, bikes or roller-skates cannot be brought into the gallery spaces as these can damage the floor.

Lockers, free to use, large enough for a backpack.



Stairs in the entrance foyer.



Visitor assistants are friendly and will be wearing a uniform with the museum and council logo on it.

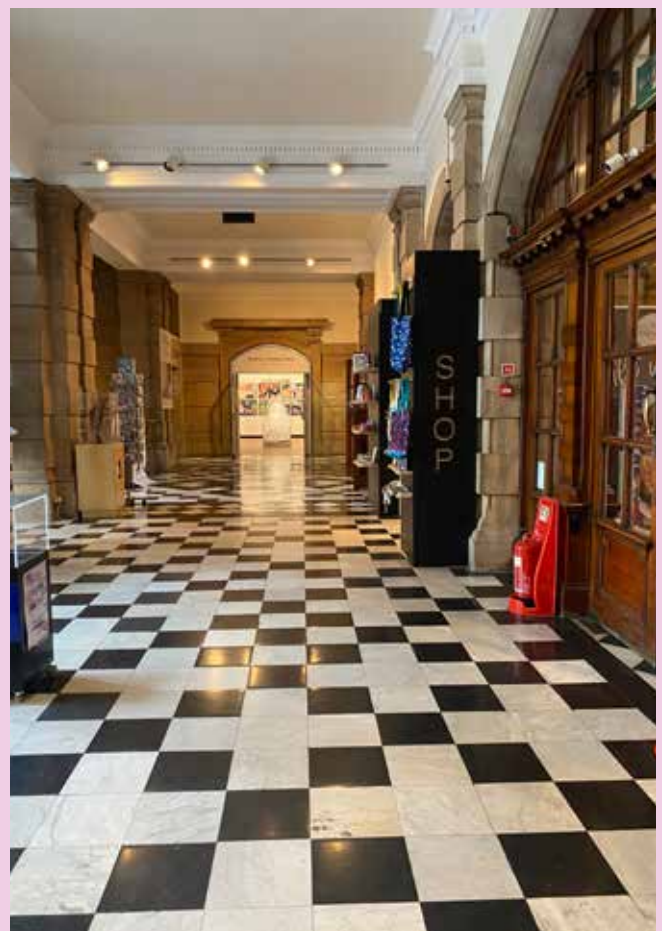
All museum and gallery staff wear a blue lanyard. If you have any questions or require assistance, please speak to a visitor assistant. At reception they can provide a map to orientate you into the galleries.



A visitor assistant at the reception desk.

The shop can be found on the ground floor near the reception desk.

We have a gallery shop, for souvenirs, exhibition merchandise, greetings cards, jewellery and art materials.



A marble black and white floor, showing the gallery shop and a corridor leading to the galleries.

Access

If you would rather avoid the stairs, please use the entrance around the back of the building.

Route to accessible entrance from the front of the building.

Route from front entrance continues.



The stone building of Cartwright Hall with blue gate and trees.



The stone building of Cartwright Hall showing the route to the accessible entrance.

Go through the blue gates and past the café on your left.



Accessible entrance to the café.

Turn left at the corner and follow the outside of the building till you reach the large wooden doors.



The stone building of Cartwright Hall, continue following the building around to the large wooden double doors.

The large wooden doors of the accessible entrance, behind a black gate.



The stone building of Cartwright Hall, with a gate, wooden doors, this is the accessible entrance.

There is a red doorbell, please press that and a visitor assistant will let you into the building. This can take a couple of minutes if we are very busy.



Accessible entrance with large wooden doors.



Red doorbell.

We have limited disabled parking spaces; these can be found around the back of building. To access these please turn into the park from North Park Road and drive straight on towards a blue barrier.

Call 01274 431212 on arriving at the barrier and a member of visitor services will open the barrier for you. Please follow the road down towards the gallery and you will see the disabled parking spaces.



Disabled parking spaces.



A blue barrier with a sign on it, that leads to the back of Cartwright Hall.



Route down to gallery from the blue barrier.



The back of Cartwright Hall and the route to the accessible entrance.

From the step free entrance there is a lift which will take you into the building. The galleries are across two floors and the lift allows access to all galleries. To access the café the route takes you back out of the building.



Inside the lift.

We have stairs inside the gallery to take you to the cafe and the first floor. The stairs have handrails to help you use them.



The stone stairs have brass handrails on both sides.



Stairs to go down to the café. There is also a step free route.



Stairs leading to café entrance.



Café entrance.



Hallway leading into the café.



The café, with tables and chairs.

The cafe can be accessed by the door at the side of the building, a short walk from the disabled parking spaces or if you are ok with stairs, it can be accessed from inside the gallery.

The cafe sells a variety of delicious food and drink and has a dedicated menu for children. Bottle warmers and highchairs are available as well as small tables and chairs with activities.

Toilets

We have gender neutral accessible toilets on the ground floor and in all the café toilets. We have male and female toilets on the ground floor. Baby changing facilities can be found in the accessible toilets on the ground floor and in the café.



Accessible toilets and baby changing facilities.

The nearest Changing Places facility is Bradford Royal Infirmary, Duckworth Lane, Bradford BD9 6RJ and is approx. 1 mile away from Lister Park. [Changing Places Toilets.](#)

We have an Audio Frequency Induction Loop system on the reception desk.

Assistance dogs are welcome, but we ask that are kept under control throughout the visit to protect the artwork in the gallery and please be aware that some visitors may be frightened of animals.

Visitor assistants will check with you if the dog is an assistance animal.

We have benches in the gallery and portable foldable chairs.



Wooden bench with back and arms.



Foldable chairs with arms but no back.

Information about the exhibitions

We have a variety of exhibition spaces, and these are often changing, please ask at the reception desk about what's currently on display and visitor assistants will be happy to help you. You can also keep up to date on the latest exhibitions on the website [Bradford District Museums & Galleries \(bradfordmuseums.org\)](http://Bradford District Museums & Galleries (bradfordmuseums.org))

Some of our exhibitions feature audio such as music, songs and speech. If you prefer a quieter visit, we have ear protector headphones which can be borrowed from the reception desk.

The gallery spaces might have different light levels, if you have any concerns about this please speak to reception desk who will tell you about these spaces.

We hope you have a lovely time visiting Cartwright Hall and look forward to welcoming you.