

APPLICATION

To apply for the use of the Galleries, artists must email or write to Monnow Valley Arts giving the following information:

- Name, address and contact details including email and telephone numbers
- The nature of the work they want to exhibit
- The dates they would like, with alternative dates
- An Artist's statement on what the exhibition is to achieve
- A statement as to their experience and qualifications and prior exhibitions
- An indication of what form of public engagement they will undertake during their exhibition

Monnow Valley Arts will consider applications on a monthly basis and notify applicants whether they have been successful or whether additional information is required. Applicants will then be required to sign and return a contract.

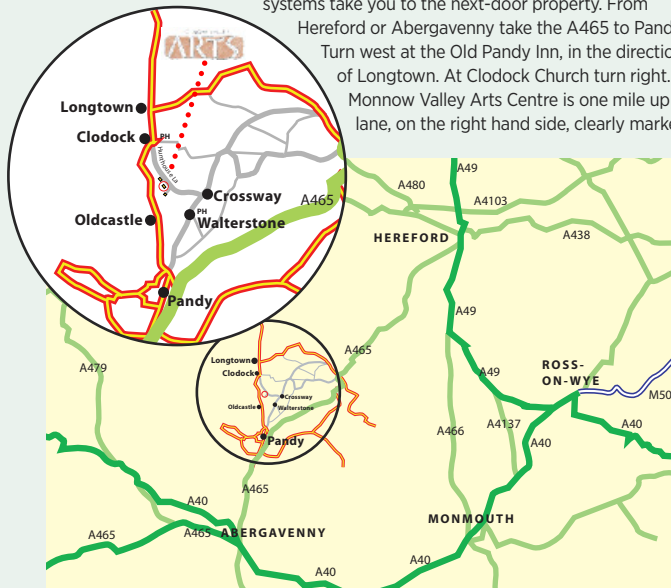
**Please send applications to
Rupert Otten at:**

**Monnow Valley Arts,
Middle Hunt House,
Walterstone, Hereford HR2 0DY
Tel 01873 860529 Email info@monnowvalleyarts.org
www.monnowvalleyarts.org**



Directions to Monnow Valley Arts

The Centre is at grid reference S0334262. Please be aware that satellite navigation systems take you to the next-door property. From Hereford or Abergavenny take the A465 to Pandy. Turn west at the Old Pandy Inn, in the direction of Longtown. At Clodock Church turn right. Monnow Valley Arts Centre is one mile up the lane, on the right hand side, clearly marked.



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ARTISTS' USE OF EXHIBITION SPACE

AT MONNOW VALLEY ARTS

Scheme starts April 2016

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Monnow Valley Arts is making its galleries available to local artists who wish to organise and run their own shows

The objective of the scheme is to help and encourage artists by providing access to our first-class exhibition spaces where they can showcase their own work to a wide audience.

Two exhibition spaces are available with approximately 50 square metres of space and 25 metres of linear hanging space.

Monnow Valley Arts, which is a registered charity, charges no fee for the use of the spaces and does not take any commission on sales. However, participating artists will be required to make a contribution towards the costs of maintaining the premises, lighting and heating, currently £350 per week.

ELIGIBILITY FOR ARTISTS' GALLERY SCHEME

Monnow Valley Arts particularly wishes to encourage local artists to exhibit their work and engage with the public. It has excellent exhibition facilities that it itself uses to mount exhibitions and would like to share these with artists.

Local artists are defined as artists working or living within a 50-mile radius of Monnow Valley Arts. Artists may exhibit any two-dimensional or three-dimensional works, digital artwork and video.



Artists will need to have a sufficient body of work in a suitable state to exhibit. Artists will be required to frame their work where applicable.

The spaces are offered – subject to availability – from April to October on a calendar week basis, from Wednesday to Sunday from 2–5 pm each day, with installation taking place on Tuesday and dismantling on Monday.

Artists will be required to engage in some form of activity with the local community.

Artists must include an Artist's statement of their objectives and how they will achieve them. Artists may be required to provide visuals to support their application.

SUPPORT GIVEN BY MONNOW VALLEY ARTS

In addition to providing the exhibition spaces, Monnow Valley Arts staff will provide help with installation of the exhibition. Artists may use any equipment owned by Monnow Valley Arts, including hanging systems, plinths and show cases. Internet and telephone connections are also available. There is also access to kitchen and toilet facilities.

Monnow Valley Arts will distribute printed announcements provided by artists to its own mailing list if postage, stationery and other costs are reimbursed.



ARTISTS' RESPONSIBILITIES

The Artist will be responsible for:

- Transport and insurance of their work
- Installing and de-installing their exhibition
- Making good any damage to walls and equipment used
- Invigilation at all times
- Promotion and marketing of their work
- Payment of Monnow Valley Arts' maintenance costs
- Undertaking public engagement with the community

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

It is a condition of the letting of the space to the artist that the artist engages in an agreed schedule of work with the local community. The local community is defined as groups of people or individuals within a radius of 30 miles of the centre.

Such activities shall consist of promoted events that engage with the local community on specified days and times. Groups such as primary and secondary school children, art college students, members of local U3A groups, old age pensioners groups and WI groups would all be considered suitable.

In addition activities may be offered to individuals by holding courses, film shows, demonstrations or other activities in which the public can participate. Such activities might include

- Holding Art classes including life drawing
- Taking groups on a field trip to discover aspects of nature through art
- Showing films and asking for feedback through discussion on the topics covered
- Land art projects with the public helping make the installation
- Print-making courses and demonstrations

