

ROSSENDALE *ART TRAIL* 2026

OPEN STUDIOS WEEKEND
29TH - 31ST MAY



IMAGE: Abstract by Krissy

OPENING TIMES:

Unless otherwise stated studios will be open
Saturday and Sunday 10am - 4pm

There are 58 artists included in this edition of the Rossendale Art Trail, including musicians, poets, painters, printers, street artist, textile artists and more. Some are newcomers, taking part for the first time, others are long established studio groups and professional artists.

Try and find time to see as much as you can. You'll find a useful map in the centre pages of this guide, and addresses for each of the venues along the edge of each page, with information on parking and accessibility on each listing.

Please be aware that some studios are more easily accessible than others, some are up flights of stairs or might lack a few home comforts, but you'll always find a warm welcome when you arrive, and there will be plenty of opportunities to sit and take refreshments, chat to the artists and buy some work along the way.

The Rossendale Valley has a lively and supportive creative community, encompassing not only the artists you'll see on your visit but musicians, performers, film-makers, animators, crafts people and model makers. The Art Trail provides a snapshot of all this. We hope you enjoy it!

As well as all the artists and events featured in this brochure, there are also 4 artists exhibiting at The Whitaker, Rawtenstall. They are...

JUDE WAINWRIGHT - Spectacle

NAHEM SHOA - An Intervention

MERGE BRADSHAW - Level Playing Field

AMY CALLAGHAN - Faces of Rossendale

LIABILITY

Visitors participate in the Art Trail entirely at their own risk. Please remember that you are visiting working studios and that stairways and other access routes may be awkward. Please keep children under control.

At the time of going to print we have taken care to ensure that the details in this brochure are accurate and provided in good faith, however we are unable to take responsibility for any information that may subsequently have changed.

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VALLEY ARTISTS PREVIEW



Valley Artists warmly invite you to the opening of the Spring Rossendale Arts Trail with a preview of our group exhibition. Please come along, enjoy our artwork and studios, meet the artists and socialise with our welcoming creative community.

We will again be featuring works from our close neighbours and friends from Prospect Studios.

Saturday 30th May
2pm-10pm - Free Entry

ANDY SCHOLES



Very large lettering will be on show from a recent public commission spanning 27 meters also examples of surface gilding and glass gilding and some personal work.

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VALLEY ARTISTS ACCESS: Free parking outside the studio in the mill yard and on Burnley Road East. Unfortunately there is no wheelchair access to the mill.

MATT DAVIES



Matt's work develops from found and sought images originating from endless media resources. 'Mal-adjusted' with colour and shape, his works are constructed from an image or an initial sketch and a sense of intuitiveness and immediacy is maintained within the final work.

When the adaptation onto canvas is inappropriate the painting becomes a battle. Further content is added to improve the compositional arrangement, deletion of specific areas and layers are applied.

Revealing the tension between the subject matter- Davies relies on the medium of photography to capture a split-second moment in time, immortalising that moment in the medium of paint.

Using multiple photographic images within one painting intentionally creates misshapen relationships and narratives. These characteristics create a refreshing painting style that is consumed with influence, contemporary issues and visual culture.

STAN HARLAND



I have been a member of the Valley Artists for many years and recently completed a Degree in Fine Art at MMU at the age of 80. I am currently experimenting on large canvases using strong colours and lines and have exhibited in Manchester. This year I have been working in my studio producing cityscapes and experimenting with light and shadows.

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VALLEY ARTISTS ACCESS: Free parking outside the studio in the mill yard and on Burnley Road East. Unfortunately there is no wheelchair access to the mill.

PROSPECT AT VALLEY



Prospect Studios Waterfoot are artists Alan Birch, Jill Randall and Liam Spencer, with practices across painting, printmaking and sculpture. Founded in 2004, the artists exhibit nationally and internationally, alongside involvement in art education and workshops. Prospect Studios will be displaying a selection of their works at Valley Artists Studios, in the main exhibition area on the 1st floor. Also look out for a selection of works from Printmakers who use Alan's studio.

Alan Birch is an artist working out of Prospect Studios in Waterfoot, Lancashire. He works predominantly in print, but has worked with a variety of other media including drawing, metal and digital images. His work is imbued with his own unique sense of humour, offering a personal view on the contemporary world.

Liam Spencer is known for his vivid portrayals of urban Landscapes, nature and how wildlife has repopulated post-industrial landscapes.

Jill Randall is a sculptor and printmaker, and exhibits her work nationally and internationally in galleries, museums and sculpture parks. Jill Randall was elected Member of The Royal British Society of Sculptors in 2014 and is a member of the European Sculpture Network.

WEBSITE: www.liampencer.co.uk - www.alanbirch.co.uk - www.jillrandall.co.uk

CAROLINE JOHNSON



Caroline is a Fine Artist, Printmaker, Illustrator and maker of small, pretty things.

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INSTAGRAM: [@larosecarmine](https://www.instagram.com/larosecarmine/)

ELLA COLE



Since our last open studios I have been continuing to paint at the Northlight Studios in Hebden Bridge, exploring colour relationships through still life, I also paint outdoors, and in my print practice I have embarked on a series of large scale collographs, along with some smaller etchings of Heptonstall.

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ALASTAIR PRICE



I'm an associate artist with Horse and Bamboo, and a performer with Cacophany Arkestra. My work takes me into schools, prisons and anywhere in between. One of my projects in the past six months has been to provide the illustrations for a Crankie Reel telling the story of the life of Michael Davitt.

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CHARLOTTE ANDERSON



Charlotte is inspired by the people and landscapes of Lancashire. Working in oils she combines figures and landscape to convey narrative and local life.

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SUE AUTY



Sue has been expanding her artistic practice over the last year training in hand printmaking and composition. Previously she had a long career as an outdoor theatre maker with side lines in pyrotechnics and large scale fire sculptures.

She is still creating innovative play environments for young children at Horse + Bamboo and The Bureau Centre for the Arts in Blackburn.

Image : Winter - mono-print on tissue

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PAMELA HUNTER



I rediscovered a large collograph plate that had never been even inked, also came across some small plates which I looked at with a fresh eye and reworked.

So I am back to making prints with painted and inkjet elements tested on paintings last year.

Join me in my studio to see if my experiments have led to any interesting work.

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NELLIEBRATIONS CREATIONS



Since 2014 I have established myself as a self-taught textile artist mainly working with recycled and repurposed materials. I create a mixture of wearable pieces, political statements through this medium of art and functional day to day items all while ensuring my work reduces the harm on the environment and remains as affordable as possible.

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SUZANNE WORRAL



'Life'
'Colour'
'Form & Space'
'Bacup Town'
'Your spring, My Autumn'

A number of themes thread their way throughout my artwork, deriving from personal experiences and explorations. These themes I investigate using a spectrum of different materials as each offers a unique, meaningful and distinct aesthetic outcome.

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STEVEN BROWN



Steven Brown is a multimedia artist currently exploring themes of growth and change as we encounter new challenges in our lives. His studio at Valley Artists is experiencing a period of change as he moves from representational printmaking towards small installations using light and sound.

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[@stevenbrownartist](https://www.instagram.com/stevenbrownartist)

JANE FERRARI-HAMBLETON



Hi Everyone. I feel so blessed to be part of the Spring Trail. I have been painting almost every day since my Cancer diagnosis in 2021. It has been the best therapy and has allowed me to meet wonderful people along the way. I have a permanent exhibition at Waterfoot Yard where I will be in residence for the Trail.

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ACCESS: Lots of local parking available and wheelchair friendly.

ROSSENDALE PAINT JAM



As part of Rossendale Art Trail, The Whitaker Museum & Art Gallery and Horse & Bamboo will be hosting a vibrant Street Art Paint Jam. Taking place at The Whitaker and Waterfoot Square, You'll be able to watch talented artists bring their own original designs to life right before your eyes, transforming blank surfaces into bold, dynamic works of art. This is a unique chance to see the creative process up close, chat with the artists, and experience the energy of live street art in action.

Piss & Vinegar @pissandvinegarart

noclip @noclip_____

Mucka @pigsinmudartstudios

AZO @azo.sheff

Michael Skeen @_michaelskeen

SAYON @simply_another_original_name

Alastair Price @alastairprice5

Dirty Faces MCR @dirtyfacesmcr

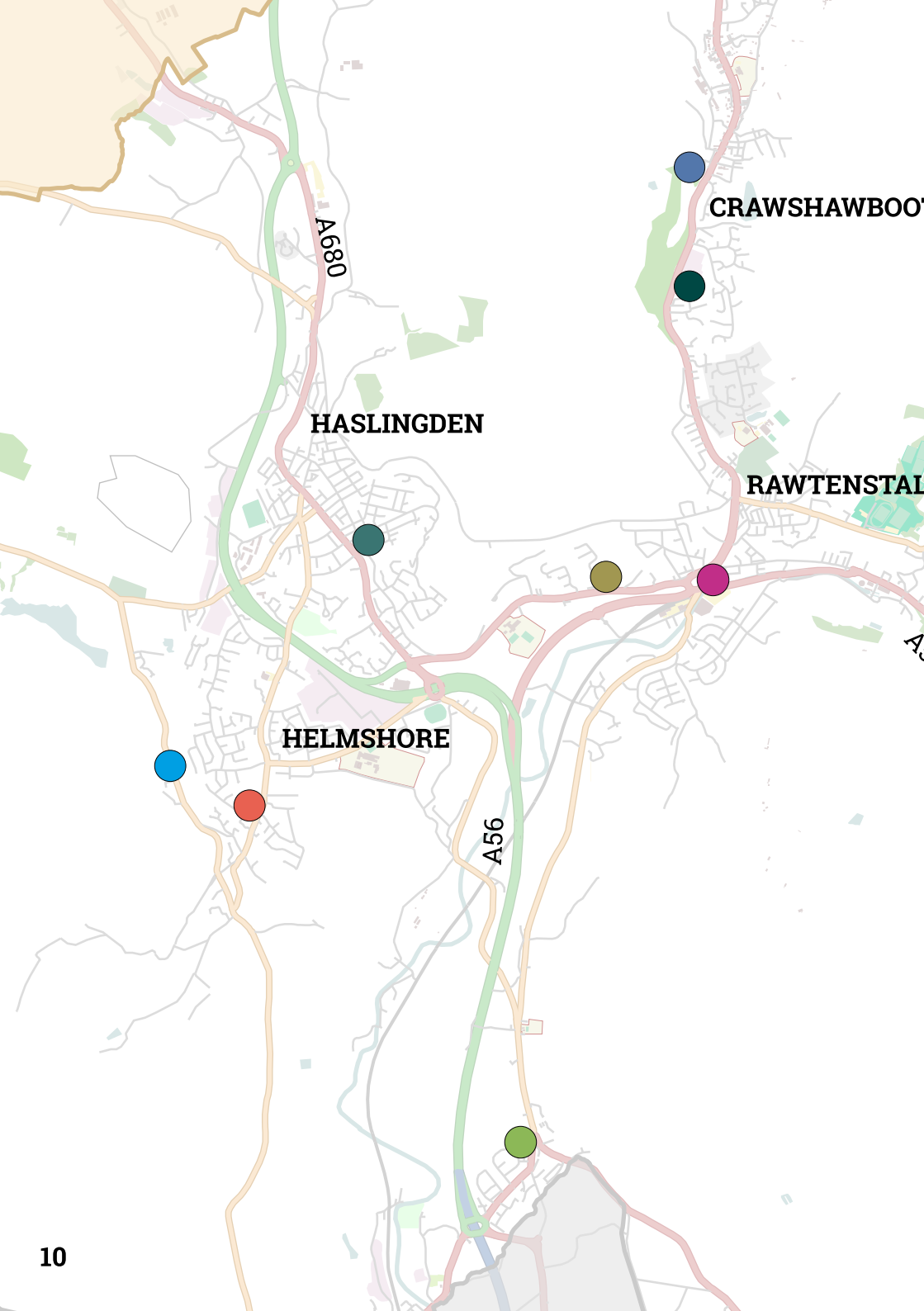
Supported by Rossendale Borough Council and UK Government Funding.



WATERFOOT YARD, BRIDGE END HOUSE,
BACUP ROAD, WATERFOOT, BB4 7AW

THE WHITAKER, HASLINGDEN
ROAD, RAWTENSTALL,
BB4 6RE

WATERFOOT SQUARE,
BB4 7AW



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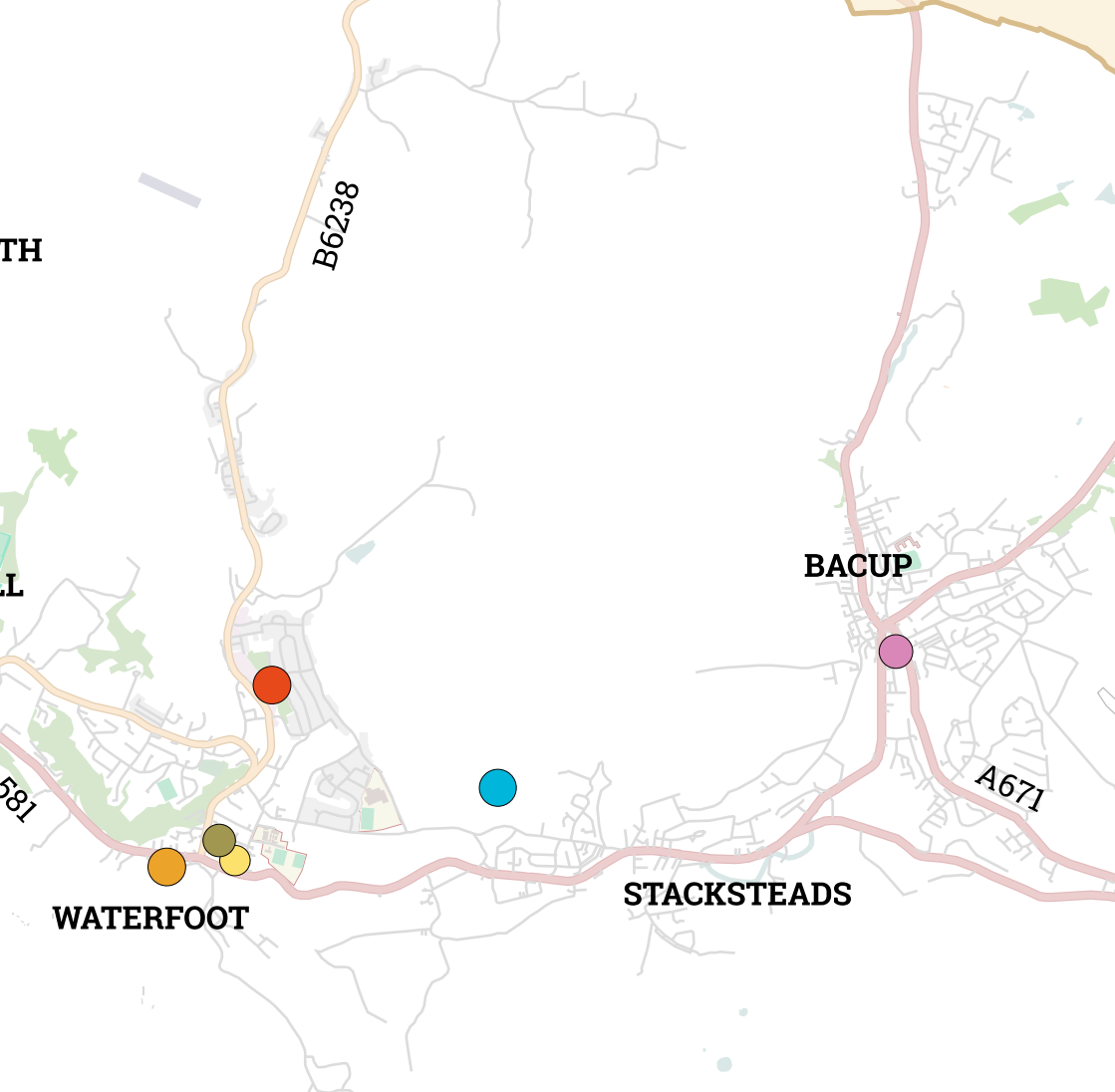
HASLINGDEN

CRAWSHAWBOOTH















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|  Park Mill, Helmshore |  Horse & Bamboo |
|  St. Thomas Church, H'shore |  Valley Artists |
|  Grane Mill, Haslingden |  Waterfoot Yard |
|  The Old Toilets, Edenfield |  Waterfoot Square |
|  The Whitaker |  Valley of Stone Ceramics |
|  Velvet Elvis, Crawshawbooth |  Ninja Coffee, Bacup |
|  Ninja Coffee, Cr'booth | |
|  Parramatta Street Gallery | |

Waterfoot Electronic Transmissions

Horse + Bamboo

Saturday 30th May
2pm - 10pm

Free Entry



W.E.T.

<Waterfoot Electronic Transmissions>

Adventures in Electronic Music
All day live A/V event within the Horse +
Bamboo Theatre.

Saturday 30th May

2pm-10pm - Free Entry

- > Dobermind
- > David America
- > kuchen_kiosk
- > MDX
- > North Manc Beds
- > .SADLR
- > TeZ
- > _twelve_ten
- > VHS Head

Instagram

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@sadlr
@tezmarnr
@_twelve_ten
@vhshead
@kuchen_kiosk
@procranstonation
@pissandvinegarart

SCOTT SADLER



Scott has recently moved studios from Valley Artists to Horse & Bamboo, so will be exhibiting his series of oil paintings depicting fire in the bar area.

In the last year Scott has been busy organising Puppet Raves with @helendavies_yarnartist and @pissandvinegarart as part of 'Bin Collective'.

On top of his own creative practice, Scott is the coordinator of the Rossendale Art Trail, was the instigator of 'Parramatta Street Gallery' and organised the 'Rossendale Paint Jam'.

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@wearebincollective

FOOD AVAILABLE FROM SAMOSA HUT ALL WEEKEND @thesamosahut_

PISS & VINEGAR



One-of-a-kind upcycled garments featuring hand-crocheted monsters, demons and Avatars of KNUJ.

All items are for sale. Please email to purchase.

Piss & Vinegar is also taking part in Rossendale Paint Jam at The Whitaker this weekend.

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CANDI MARTIN



Poetry Pop-Up

Interactive community poetry activity for all ages. Contribute towards a live poem for the Valley, using your ideas on the day.

Candi will also be doing a Poetry Takeaway between 1pm - 2pm on both days. Donations.

Live poetry for your soul. Have a chat about where you are at and come away with a poetic response.

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ANTHONY BLACK



Rossendale based, Anthony took up photography when he retired from teaching. His specialism is production shots at live music events, however he also has an interest in Landscape and Travel photography. His exhibition will feature photos from across these genres including images taken in and around the Rossendale area.

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HORSE AND BAMBOO ACCESS: Full disabled access and lots of parking available.



FESTIVAL LAUNCH - Sunday 31st May

In collaboration with the Rossendale Art Trail and Horse & Bamboo, Gather@ Festival is delighted to bring the first UK show from **STEWARD.EXE** to Rossendale, with very special guest **Rebelski**. This **FREE** event launches the inaugural Gather@ Festival, taking place 26-28 June 2026.

MORE INFO: events.humanitix.com/host/gatheratfestival

INSTAGRAM: @later.at



STEWARD.EXE



STEWARD.EXE is a collaborative project uniting composer and producer Luca Severino, researcher/percussionist Jonathan Hankins and performance artist Lisa Mos. Their work sits at the intersection of electronic music, artificial intelligence and ethical inquiry - a space for critical reflection about AI use in the arts. Luca brings years of production across international club circuits with credits on labels including Defected and Snatch!, alongside award-winning cinematic and installation work.

Jonny contributes a researcher's rigour and the raw energy of his post-punk Manchester past. Lisa's AI-powered robot guides and conducts proceedings. Together they perform and create across live, installation, and audiovisual formats, fusing club-driven energy with audience participation. Today's performance includes an audience-led Q&A and a guest appearance by Musician and Author Mark Hoyle (Dumb/Dub Sex)

Interactive live performance

2pm to 3pm >> 5pm to 6pm

INSTAGRAM: @steward.exe

REBELSKI



Rebelski is the solo project of composer, pianist, and producer Martin Rebelski, crafting immersive soundscapes where ambient, modern classical, and electronica converge. His music is defined by delicate melodic writing, rich layered textures, and a cinematic scope that embraces minimalism without sacrificing emotional depth. Widely recognised for his long-standing association with Manchester band Doves, Martin is also a current member of Peter Hook and the Light, performing worldwide

with the founding member of Joy Division and New Order. His solo work stands apart as a deeply personal listening experience: atmospheric, quietly expansive, and shaped by a lifetime of musical collaboration at the highest level.

Live performance: 3:30pm to 4:30pm

INSTAGRAM: @rebelskisounds

VALLEY OF STONE CERAMICS



Open Sunday 31st May from 10am till 5pm

Karen is a potter who loves all aspects of ceramics from experimenting with different clays, making her own glazes and the anticipation of opening the kiln.

She enjoys making domestic items that are individual artworks which are fun to use or wear.

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ACCESS: Stone studio in the garden, off Tunstead Road, OL13 8NB. The best place to park is on Booth Road. Unfortunately there is no wheelchair access

ALEX VAN DER WATEREN



Alex works with various media including textiles, collage, and acrylic on canvas paint. In this series titled 'Negative Creep' (loosely inspired by Nirvana's song with the same title), she is exploring negative emotions, facial expressions, and colour. The series now consists of four paintings, but this number might grow.

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CATHERINE SMYTH



Catherine is best known as a journalist having worked in local papers since 1988, especially at the Rossendale Free Press and Lancashire Telegraph, and has been self-employed since 2009. She also loves art and, since 2019, she rediscovered her passion for painting, pastel and photography and has 10 large photos on permanent display at the ABD Community Centre in Bacup.

"For me art is personal and a release in all its forms - including poetry and creative writing."

BOOK: 2020 Weirdo Mosher Freak - the murder of Sophie Lancaster. Available on Amazon Kindle.

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ACCESS: Lots of parking nearby. One step into the venue, with no ramp.

IVY COTTAGE, HIGHER
TUNSTEAD, OFF TUNSTEAD
ROAD, OL13 8NB

NINJA COFFEE BACUP, 27 ST. JAMES STREET
BACUP, OL13 9NJ

VELVET ELVIS 534 BURNLEY
RD, CRAWSHAWBOOTH,
ROSSENDALE BB4 8NE

NICOLE @heyhunsitsnicole



Nicole is a tattoo artist and illustrator at Velvet Elvis, specialising in pop culture and political art. She is joined by a collective of local artists to showcase a diverse range of styles and media.

INSTAGRAM:
@heyhunsitsnicole

Access: There is a small step to access the space, however Nicole can easily set up the temporary access ramp if required. The rubber ramp measures 900mm wide and 100mm high. On street parking in Crawshawbooth.

LIAM BOWLER



Liam Bowler is a Rossendale-based artist and maker working in acrylic painting and reclaimed wood. His work is shaped by an intuitive process, exploring personal transformation through three evolving chapters, early experimentation, a period of emotional change, and the recent Back Home Collection. Alongside painting, Bowler creates handcrafted pieces from reclaimed timber, connecting creativity with material and place.

INSTAGRAM: @bowler_bespoke_artwork - @bowlerbespoke
WEBSITE: unit.link/bowler-bespoke

ACCESS: Carpark and on street parking available. Small step at entrance, assistance available if required.

PARRAMATTA STREET GALLERY



Rossendales first *Street Art* gallery!
Be sure to visit this prominent location in the heart of Rawtenstall, where boarded up windows on the **Rossendale Carpets** building have been given a new lease of life by 8 local artists.

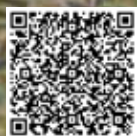
Piss & Vinegar **Most ill**
Candi Martin **.Sadlr**
Mucka **Andy Scholes**
Helen Davies **Dirty Faces MCR**

Street Artists are always on the look out for legal spaces to experiment and showcase their creativity. If you are the owner of a tired looking wall or boarded up window, and would like to brighten it up, please get it touch! @rossendalearttrail

NINJA COFFEE, THE
ANNEX, 331 BURNLEY
ROAD, CRAWSHAWBOOTH,
ROSSENDALE, BB4 8LA

ROSSENDALE CARPETS, THE
PAVILLION, 22 BURY ROAD,
RAWTENSTALL, BB4 6AA

LIVE MUSIC AT



HORSE + Bam BOO

QUEER FOLK
FRIDAY JUNE



KATRINA PILLING, LUCY PILLING AND MATTHEW KENDALL



The old toilet building in Edenfield this year will display art celebrating local creativity and heritage, highlighting the old forgotten structure and brightening the village for visitors and locals alike.

WEBSITE: <https://eden-fieldproject.co.uk/>

ACCESS: Street parking or paid parking in the centre of Edenfield

ANDY BUTTERY (BUTTERY ART STUDIO)



Andy is a digital artist, mainly creating striking landscapes that he digitally draws in vectors. He takes inspiration from the Rossendale hills and surrounding nature, reflecting his connection to the local countryside and terrain. Sensitive use of colour and attention to interesting details are distinctive traits in his style that can be illustrative or semi-abstract.

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WEBSITE: www.butteryart.co.uk

Enter via the white vestry door at the east end of the church (go through the churchyard lychgate then take the path to the right). The vestry door has a moveable ramp for disabled access. There is also a fixed ramp at the west end of the church followed by a short ramp from the church to the vestry. Standard disabled toilet at back of church.

ACCESS: Wheelchair friendly. Free parking on Holcombe Road, or on the small car park at the side of the church. Please DO NOT park on Rhodes Avenue.

MIKE KELLY



Mike will be showing new work informed by the Weavers' Uprising, exactly 200 years ago, including six large-scale photographs of ancient moorland gateposts from the route the weavers marched. The work will be installed in this extraordinary mill, itself a monument to the industrial world the weavers were powerless to stop.

INSTAGRAM: @mikekellyphotography

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Access: On street parking in and around the mill site. Look for the chimney.

GRANE MILL, LANESIDE ROAD,
HASLINGDEN, BB4 5PP

ABSTRACT BY KRISSY



Krissy produces bold, expressive abstract art that makes you feel something, sparking joy, and inviting curiosity.... "My work allows me to be perfectly imperfect and show up as myself every single day - A mother who is a little bit chaotic and scrappy, but loves intensely, juggles hard, is wildly ambitious and is determined to see the beauty in everything."

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TOP FLOOR STUDIO, PARK MILL,
HELMSHORE, BB4 4NP

ACCESS: On street parking. Follow the signs to Gillian Rose Curtains. Lift access to the left as you go through the tunnel.



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