

Salford Museum & Art Gallery FAQs

How do I book to visit Salford Museum and Art Gallery?

As our gallery spaces still have limited numbers due to ventilation requirements, we are asking visitors to please book ahead.

Please book your free slot via Eventbrite. This will give you a start time for your visit and allow for up to 30 minutes in Lark Hill Place at the beginning where numbers are more limited. We will be allowing no more than 20 people on the Victorian Street at any time due to social distancing, so you will be asked to start your visit there before going upstairs to the galleries where you can spend as long as you like. In order to ensure the safety of our staff and visitors and to guarantee entry into Lark Hill Place, you must arrive at your allocated start time.

It is important to book ahead and check any changes to our temporary opening hours as these may change.

Children under 8 years old must be accompanied by someone who is 16 or over and who is responsible for them during their visit. We ask that for every 5 children visiting there is at least 1 responsible adult with them.

Slots will be released in two week blocks so there should be plenty of availability. If you can't attend, please let us know.

BOOK YOUR VISIT >

What are your opening hours?

Our temporary opening hours will be Tuesday – Sunday 11.30am – 4pm for the museum and art gallery including the shop and café.

The Local History Library will be open for booked appointments on Thursday and Fridays from 11.30am – 4pm.

Please check opening hours when booking as they are subject to change at short notice

How will my visit to Salford Museum and Art Gallery be different?

We are asking all visitors to book a slot in advance so that we can control numbers. You will need to follow our one-way route to visit and exit. Some of our interactives have been taken off display but there is still plenty for families to enjoy. Please keep an eye on our social media for further information about what's on.



Payments

Please note that we are operating a cashless system at our tills for the shop and café.

The Cafe

The cafe is open during museum opening times. As well as takeaway we also have a reduced number of tables should you wish to sit in. We do hope you will still stop by and support us by buying a coffee and a cake - we have missed you! A queueing system will be in place for you to order and a collection point will be set up for takeaway. We are cashless only. Tables or takeaway orders can be pre-booked by calling 0161 778 0806.

We have put in place rigorous cleaning procedures within the café in line with current government guidance.

The Shop

The shop is open for you to pick up a gift or a souvenir and there will be a new layout in the shop so you can browse safely. We are asking visitors not to handle goods until they take them to the till. Our front of house team will be cleaning shop stock and display units regularly. As with the café, cashless payment only.

Car Park

The car park is open as usual and can be paid for by cash, contactless, app, phone or website. If you wish pay by phone or online there will be details in the car park and a small administration fee will apply. There are three accessible bays for blue badge holders Please note we will not be carrying cash in our tills so cannot give change.

£2.50 for three hours, £5 for 3 - 6 hours, and £9 for 6 - 24 hours

Peel Park

The Park Keeper and volunteers have been busy keeping the park beautiful and we really recommend you extend your visit by calling in for a stroll there. Why not get a takeaway drink from the cafe and take it to the park with you, or bring a picnic for the group.

Toilets

We will have public toilets open for use, although we will be reducing the number to help with social distancing. The accessible toilet and baby change will be open.

Social distancing

We have set up a one-way system through the building, as well as separate areas to queue for the cafe, so please do help us by following these routes. There will also be floor markers and signage and we are encouraging social distancing. Please note we cannot store items such as push chairs and ask that visitors bring as little as possible with them.



Sanitiser Points

There is a sanitiser point on entry and also by the toilets and lift, in the galleries, in the cafe and in the library.

Masks

Masks are encouraged when visiting the building

Cleaning

All public areas will be thoroughly cleaned every morning and from then on toilets will be cleaned and checked every regularly during opening hours, with timings displayed on the wall. Staff will be cleaning down touch points throughout the day and where necessary quarantining items.

Staff training

Following our recent closure, we will be running staff induction sessions before we open. We want to make sure both our visitors and our staff teams are safe when in our building.

School visits

If you would like to book a school visit or would like more information about our learning programme, please email our learning team on learningbookings@scll.co.uk.

Group Tours

We are not currently taking bookings for group tours but please keep an eye on our social media and website for updates.

Events and Activities

Our programme of events and activities will be building up over the year so please keep an eye on social media and the website for updates.

Enquiries

During our closure the Local History Librarian and Collections Manager have been furloughed and have returned on part time furlough. They will be going through all enquiries received in order but please be aware there will be a delay in responding to you.

How can I support Salford Museum and Art Gallery?

There's lots of ways you can support us and our work in the Museum and Art Gallery. We rely on donations to ensure we can continue to provide free access to our museum and to Display more from our collections, Restore treasures from our and Enjoy exhibitions, events and learning activities for everyone. You can donate when you book your ticket. Cash and contactless donations are also accepted in the Museum, and you can also make a donation through our tills, at the reception and cafe.