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Bowfest: east London's biggest open studios event back this

June!



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Friday 21 June, 5pm-9pm | Saturday 22 June, 10am – 4pm

Bow Arts are once again throwing open their doors for Bowfest: Open Studios, Bow Road's much-anticipated annual event!

Guests are invited inside over 100 studios across the iconic Bow Road site, the charity's first and biggest studio site. Inside, artists curate micro galleries, set up stalls, or display their practice to the public. This is a once-a-year opportunity to meet our community of over 100 talented painters, sculptors, theatre makers, product designers, performers, jewellers, fashion designers, illustrators and more.

Bow Arts' iconic Victorian courtyard will also host a makers market, together with food and drink stalls from our Nunnery Café. On Friday evening, live music will play getting the party started. On Saturday, we invite young people of all ages to a free family workshop creating vibrant prints on a variety of textured materials, inspired by cherished memories. Alongside the festivities, the Nunnery Gallery will be exhibiting the Bow Open x Lindsey Mendick, Mendick's curation of Bow Arts' artists



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under her provocation "A Personal Treasure". The Open Studios is an event for all ages, and a unique opportunity to find out more about the celebrated community of east London creatives gathered together at Bow Road. Meet the artists, learn more about their creative processes, or purchase an artwork to take home.





All artwork, in the studios, the gallery, and the café will also be available to buy using <u>Own Art</u>, the affordable art scheme that enables buyers to spread the cost of an artwork across 10 interest-free instalments.

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Notes to Editors

Dates & Times: Friday 5pm-9pm 21st June & Saturday 10am - 4pm 22nd June 2024

Admission: Free

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About Bow Arts

We create inspirational, supportive environments where artists and communities interact, learn and flourish. Since 1994, Bow Arts has nurtured London's diverse creativity and talent. We've provided artists and creative practitioners with affordable workspace, connecting them with local communities and supporting



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their professional development. We give communities throughout London greater access to and interaction with the arts, through our schools programme, workshops, exhibitions and events. We're an arts and education charity and a social enterprise; our services support the growth of sustainable local creative economies. Over 500 artists, designers and makers are affiliated with Bow Arts through our workspace, affordable housing for creatives, and award-winning schools and young people's learning programme.