

**THE HIGGINS ART
GALLERY AND
MUSEUM, BEDFORD**

WHAT'S ON

April to September 2025



At Binsey, Near Oxford, George Price Boyce, 1862
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About The Higgins Art Gallery and Museum, Bedford

We are a Bedford Borough Council cultural service that showcases wonderful and varied collections of fine and decorative arts and changing exhibitions drawn from the nationally significant collection of British watercolours, drawings and prints. Displays of archaeology, social history and ethnography demonstrate how Bedfordshire has developed over time. These collections inspire a programme of temporary exhibitions, active learning and events.

In our permanent collection spaces you can:

- tour the 1840s house built by the Higgins family next to their brewery. Uncover family stories and Cecil Higgins' collection of internationally important glass and ceramics
- explore the biggest collection of painted furniture created by William Burges, the leading Gothic Revival architect and designer of the 1800s
- admire the decorative artwork and techniques of the most influential designers from over four centuries including fine glassware, textiles, enamels and metalwork
- study the Edward Bawden archive, the collection of one of the most influential artists of his generation. Discover the work of this versatile artist in changing exhibitions
- uncover the geology of Bedfordshire and discover how people from the Stone Age to Medieval times lived in and shaped the landscape we see today
- follow the development of the local area through agriculture, engineering and the brickworks, airships at Cardington, the Second World War and technological advances
- enjoy changing displays about local people who have influenced the story of Bedfordshire
- take a glimpse into the world of The Collectors and cases of natural history, ethnographic and archaeological items from near and far.

For the latest information about temporary exhibitions and events visit: www.thehigginsbedford.org.uk

EXHIBITIONS

Colour & Light

15 February – 2 November

Wixamtree and Connections Gallery – Free Entry

Colour and Light explores the fascinating relationship between colour and light in art from the 18th century to the present day. The exhibition showcases a dazzling array of works from The Cecil Higgins Art Gallery Collection, including iconic pieces by JMW Turner, John Singer Sargent, Sonia Delaunay, Peter Blake and Paul Nash.



Cecil and Kali, 2003 by Chila Kumari Singh Burman

© Chila Kumari Singh Burman

A highlight of the exhibition is 'Cecil and Kali', a vibrant work by Chila Kumari Singh Burman created during her residency at The Higgins in 2003. This unique piece incorporates her signature colourful "girly" accessories alongside objects from the museum's own education collection.

New Digital Artwork - Light & Colour

The exhibition features a specially commissioned artwork by artist Dr Alison Goodyear.

This immersive digital experience, created in

collaboration with four Bedford community groups, is inspired by the works in the exhibition. It is presented as an animated film and in augmented reality, allowing visitors to engage with the exhibition in new and exciting ways.



Still from *Light & Colour*, 2024 by Alison Goodyear

© Alison Goodyear

Colour & Light Study Day

Saturday 13 September 2025 11am-4pm

Tickets £20 - Booking Essential



A First Rate Taking in Stores, 1818 by JMW Turner
© Trustees of the Cecil Higgins Art Gallery

Join us for a day exploring the themes of Colour & Light with the exhibition's curators. The day will start with a tour of the exhibition by Keeper of Fine and Decorative Art, Victoria Partridge, followed

by talks by Professor Christiana Payne on JMW Turner, Samuel Palmer and the painting of light.

Dr Mary O'Neill will consider the impact of travelling towards southern/eastern light on some of the artists in the exhibition. Artist/producer Dr Alison Goodyear will share her journey from working with paint to working with virtual reality painting software and hardware as well as her innovative approach to collaboration.

This relaxed and informal study day is perfect for anyone wanting to learn more about the exhibition and some of the artists included.

Colour & Light Exhibition Tour

23 May 12-12.30pm

Tickets £3.60 per person, concessions £3.05

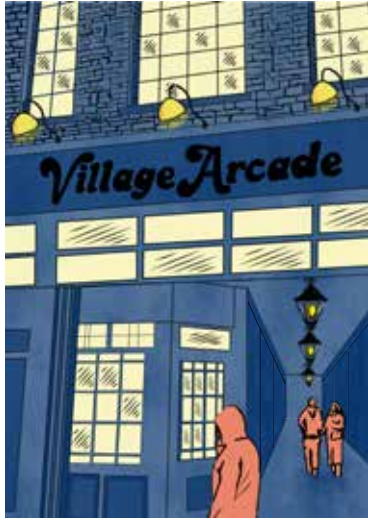
Booking Essential

Join the Keeper of Fine and Decorative Art for a lunchtime tour of some of the highlights of the exhibition.

Edward Bawden & Circus of Illustration

Continues until 11 May 2025

Edward Bawden Gallery – Free Entry



The Arcade, 2024 by Megan Nightingale
© Megan Nightingale



World Off Duty, 1947 by Edward Bawden
© The Estate of Edward Bawden

We asked the Circus of Illustration, a collective group of Bedford based artists, to commission new illustrations inspired by the Edward Bawden Archive. The four committee members and eight up-and-coming artists have each produced a work shown alongside the work by Edward Bawden that inspired it. The results are a testament to the artistic talent of Bedford and the influence of Edward Bawden whose generosity has meant Bedford is forever linked with his work.

Visitor Survey

We would love to hear from you after your visit. This survey helps us to learn about our audiences and improve The Higgins Bedford for everyone. The data collected is non-identifiable, it cannot be traced back to individuals. To fill in the survey follow this link or use the QR Code. www.illuminate-data.org.uk/survey/dgfqxc



Edward Bawden Printmaker

Opening 24 May

Edward Bawden Gallery – Free Entry

Edward Bawden has quite rightly been described as ‘The Master of the Linocut’. This new exhibition, drawn from the Edward Bawden Archive, will show the inventiveness and skill involved in printing some of his most famous works through original lino blocks, sketches and the marvellous prints themselves.

Edward Bawden Archive Session

10 June, 10am-11.30am

£13.25, concessions £10.65 – [Booking Essential](#)

Join the Keeper of Fine and Decorative Art for a delve through the Edward Bawden Archive. This is an opportunity to see well known works as well as pieces that have never been on display before.



Brighton Pier, 1958 by Edward Bawden © The Estate of Edward Bawden

Exhibition Tour

27 June, 12-12.30pm

Tickets £3.60 per person, concessions £3.05

[Booking Essential](#)

Join the Keeper of Fine and Decorative Art for a lunchtime tour of some of the highlights of the exhibition.

To book places on exhibition tours and workshops please call the Box Office on 01234 718044 (open Tues – Sat 10am – 4pm) or go to the website, www.thehigginsbedford.org.uk/Book_Online.

Ukrainian Folk Art and Heritage Exhibition

12 April to April 2026

Outside Settlement Gallery, Collectors Gallery and Dressing Room - Free Entry



© Viktoriya Tymoshenko

Join us for an exhibition of beautiful, colourful, regional antique costumes of Ukraine curated by a local Ukrainian artist. It will showcase embroidered items including rushnyky (long embroidered cloths), serviettes and cushions.

The exhibition will start with the theme of Easter, featuring stunning hand-decorated eggs and a chance to join an Easter-egg hunt through the museum.

Throughout the year exhibits will change with individual collections of costumes being displayed and various crafts such as Hutsul wood craft and Petrykivka art. Ukrainian folk art workshops will be run during the year. For further details please see The Higgins website, www.thehigginsbedford.org.uk

Camera in the Community Exhibition

19 July – 28 September

Sir William Harpur Gallery – Free Entry

In partnership with Bedford Camera Club

This exhibition shares the story of Bedford Camera Club, founded in 1906, showcasing highlights of their community projects. Come and enjoy a rich selection of photographs capturing our local communities including Bedford street photography, Indian Nritham dancers, Amptill Festival, Rush farming and cottage industry, Pubtraits (portraits captured in local pubs), and members artwork past to present.



DISPLAYS

Bedford Car Club

Continues until 6 July

Somewhere in England Foyer, first floor – Free Entry



This display celebrates the history and heritage of Bedford Car Club. In February 1906 Bedford Automobile Club was founded and in December 1907 were meeting at the Swan Hotel, Bedford High Street. In 1914

the Bedford & District Motorcycle Club was formed and was meeting at The Lion Hotel. By the 1920s these two clubs had merged and became known as Bedford Motor Club. Members took part in competitions, trials, driving tests, gymkhanas, treasure hunts, dinner dances etc. In 1953 some members broke away to form Bedford Automobile Enthusiasts Club concentrating on the competition aspects. For three decades the two clubs in Bedford co-existed, but in the early 1980s united as Bedford Car Club, going on to great success in various forms of motorsport such as autotests and rallying. During the 2000s club motorsport declined and Bedford Car Club closed in 2023, donating their heritage trophies to The Higgins Bedford, which are shared with visitors in this display.



Bedfordshire Police: A history

19 July - April 2026

Somewhere in England Foyer, First Floor - Free Entry

Come and discover the history of our local Bedfordshire Police forces curated by the Bedfordshire Police Historical and Museum Society. The society is run by volunteers who carry out research and maintain a display at Bedfordshire Police Headquarters. The bulk of the collection is housed at the former Police Station at Kempston, visits by appointment only. The display at The Higgins will highlight objects and their stories collected over the decades.



TOURS

Bringing A Group

The Higgins Bedford is the perfect place to bring a group. Join one of our knowledgeable tour guides and discover the history of The Higgins Bedford's outstanding collections. You could also stop for lunch at our onsite café and restaurant, pick up gifts from our beautifully curated shop or enjoy the surrounding attractions in Bedford's Cultural Quarter.

If your group is interested in booking a group tour, please email thehiggins@bedford.gov.uk or telephone 01234 718618 to discuss the details. Please allow a minimum of four weeks' notice for group bookings. Tours are subject to availability during opening hours. The following tours can be offered for groups of 10-15 people.

The Higgins Tour

The perfect introductory tour of the highlights of The Higgins Bedford. The tour includes collections relating to the history of Bedford as well as some of the fine and decorative art collections. Time: 1 hour, Cost: £7.05 per person (Concessions £5.65)



Fine and Decorative Art Tour

A tour of the internationally renowned Cecil Higgins Art Gallery Collection. Highlights include the furniture by William Burges, linocuts by Edward Bawden and European porcelain.

Time: 1 hour, Cost: £7.05 per person (Concessions £5.65)

Art Exhibition Tour

A tour of the current art exhibition with the Keeper of Fine and Decorative Art. Time: 30 mins, Cost: £3.60 (Concessions £3.05)

FRIENDS OF THE HIGGINS BEDFORD

The Friends group was founded in 1988 to support, promote and raise funds for The Higgins Bedford. Over the years, the Friends have been able to support new acquisitions, conservation work, exhibitions and many other projects. The Friends organise a range of events, including a fantastic annual lecture programme delivered online and in person, previews of exhibitions, and visits to rarely seen houses and gardens. Becoming a Friend not only supports the museum but offers a range of other benefits, including discounts in the shop, the chance to join visits abroad and access to a catalogue of online talks.



LECTURE PROGRAMME - FREE TO MEMBERS

15 April, 7.30pm, St Andrew's Church Hall, Kimbolton Rd, Bedford, **Paul Coldwell - Paula Rego**, as a printmaker.

13 May, 12.00 noon, The Higgins. **Laurinda Luffman**
 RSPB - **Swifts**, 2 million air miles in a lifetime!

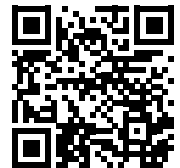
To be arranged – see website for further details

Visit to Stanstead Bury (Historical House)

Talk by Prof Frances Spalding - British Art since the First World War.

Talk by Harrison Goldman - Dogs in Art

Membership of The Friends of The Higgins Bedford for 2025. £35 for an individual, £50 for joint membership or £20 for students To join visit www.friendsofthehiggins.org or scan the QR code.



Lectures are currently not taking place in The Higgins Bedford lecture room due to building repairs. Please check the website for further details of venues and times plus private visits and special events.

EVENTS

The Higgins Knitting and Crochet Group

15 April, 20 May, 17 June, 15 July, 19 August, 16 September
11am – 1pm, Free Entry, Booking Essential

This friendly, informal group meets on the third Tuesday of every month to knit and crochet together. They sometimes work on their own projects but also knit for charities and events throughout the year. To join the group or for more information email gemma.hutton@bedford.gov.uk

Volunteers' Week

1 – 7 June



The first week of June is the time to say thank you to the many amazing volunteers at The Higgins Bedford. In 2024 volunteers contributed an astonishing 4500 hours of time to helping welcome visitors to the museum, supporting young learners and families, running events, developing exhibitions, looking after gardens and more. Thank you 😊

The Great Big Green Week

Saturday 14 June



Enjoy Great Big Green Week events at The Higgins, Panacea Museum, John Bunyan Museum and Bedfordshire Libraries. Keep an eye the website for more information about creative, environmentally friendly and sustainable activities and events.

Refugee Week 16 – 22 June

Community as a Superpower



Communities can bring people together, bridging divides and offering support. They can provide spaces of resilience and places for healing. This Refugee Week everyone is invited to build new connections in and beyond our neighbourhoods. Let's share the feelings of welcome and belonging. Listening, learning, laughing together. Further details will be available on the website.

Remembering Srebrenica Memorial Day

12 July – time tbc

Free Entry, Booking Essential



The 11 July 2025 marks the 30th anniversary of the Bosnian genocide in which over 8,372 Muslim men and boys were murdered in the space of 72 hours. The date has been marked by the United Nations as an International Day of Remembrance and Reflection. Join us for talks by Sue Beaumont and Paul Salver to mark this important moment of commemoration. To book your place please email thehiggins@bedford.gov.uk.

Portable Antiquities Scheme

26 March, 28 May, 30 July, 24 September, 1pm - 3pm

Free Entry, Booking Essential

Have you ever found archaeological objects whilst digging in the garden, taking the dog for a walk or metal detecting? Would you like to find out more about them? Matt Fittock, the Finds Liaison Officer for the Portable Antiquities Scheme run by the British Museum can help. Email Matthew.Fittock@stalbans.gov.uk to book your place. To find out more visit the website www.finds.org.uk. Please note these sessions may be subject to cancellation at short notice, please book a place or phone The Higgins before you travel to attend.

Geology Drop-in

With Bev Fowlston from Bedfordshire Geology Group

9 April, 14 May, 11 June, 9 July, 13 August

11am – 1pm, Free Entry, Booking Essential



Do you have geology specimens that you would like identified? Bring in your best rock, fossil, mineral and crystal finds and Bev will help to answer your geology questions.

Book your place by emailing thehiggins@bedford.gov.uk

REMINISCENCE SESSIONS

Remember When...? Reminiscence Mornings

Thursdays 11am – 12.30pm

Free Entry, Refreshments £1

No Need to Book

Join in with friendly and informal reminiscence coffee mornings. A great way to meet new people, be inspired by memories and stories of the past.

10 April – Bedford Car Club memories

Join us for sharing some car club memories with a presentation from Bedford Car Club linked to their display.

15 May – 80th anniversary of the end of the Second World War

Join us to hear and remember some of the stories captured from local people about their experience of World War Two and share some of your own family stories.

19 June – Wedding Day Memories

Remembering memories of the big occasions of getting married and those of friends and family, come and share your stories with others.



17 July – W H Allens and Queens Engineering works

Join us for some film and oral histories sharing the history of W H Allens and bring your own memories.

Break for August

18 September – Bedford Markets

Exploring the central role of the market in our town over the centuries and more recent decades, share your memories of favourite stalls and stallholders.

WELLBEING

A great way for local people to improve their physical and mental health while learning new skills and socialising with others. There may be a limited number of spaces available in our sessions. Unfortunately, it may be necessary to cancel sessions at short notice if trainers are not available.

Table Tennis: Every Monday (except Bank Holidays)

11.30 – 12.30 and 12:30pm – 1:30pm, £3 per session
All levels welcome.

Pilates: Every Tuesday

10am – 10:45am,
£3 per session
All levels welcome.
Bring your own mat.



Mindful Walking Every Friday,

11am – 12pm
Free walk with optional coffee stop afterwards at a local café.

Sketching Station during opening hours

Being creative can help to improve your mental wellbeing. Grab a chair, materials and find a painting or object that you would like to sketch. Materials and paper provided, or bring your own, but no paints please. All levels welcome.

For further details on any of these activities please email thehiggins@bedford.gov.uk

COMING SOON

Noel Carrington

Opening 15 November 2025

Wixamtree and Connections Gallery

Free Entry



Noel Carrington, about 1912 by Dora Carrington
© Trustees of the Cecil Higgins Art Gallery

This exhibition, the first of its kind, will tell the story of unsung hero Noel Carrington (1895–1989), one of the most influential figures of the 20th Century in the commissioning, editing and publishing of children's picture books. Eric Ravilious' High Street,

Kathleen Hale's Orlando books, Mervyn Peake's Captain Slaughterboard, were all commissioned by Carrington. For these three alone Carrington merits attention, yet he also edited and commissioned the groundbreaking Puffin Picture Book series.

Curated by writer and publisher Joe Pearson (Design for Today), the exhibition will bring together well-known classics of children's publishing as well as Carrington's commissions by artists such as Eric Ravilious and Edward Bawden.

Stanny's Stus: Images of Bedford Physical Training College

6 November - 31 May 2026

Sir William Harpur Gallery – Free Entry



A 'Stanny Stu' swimmer,
Commercial Road Baths (1903)
Credit BPEOSA Collection

Known as 'Stanny's Stus' around town, the students and staff of Bedford Physical Training College were often keen photographers who extensively documented their lives after pioneer Margaret Stansfeld founded her all female college in Lansdowne Road, in 1903. Recent digitisation of the photographs reveals their day-to-day engagement with sport, leisure and teaching in Bedfordshire, providing us with a glimpse of women's social and sporting history. The digitised images

from the Bedford Physical Education Archive are being exhibited for the first time outside their usual home at the University of Bedfordshire.



Summer Reading Challenge 2025 in Bedford Borough Libraries

The Summer Reading Challenge will be running in Bedford Borough Libraries from Saturday 19 July throughout the summer. A free and exciting programme is on offer designed to keep children engaged with reading throughout the summer holidays.

There will also be free craft activities alongside regular Lego clubs, craft clubs, and story times through the holidays. For further details scan the QR code.



FAMILY ACTIVITIES

Easter – Our Planet

8, 9, 10, 15, 16, 17 April - Booking Essential
Workshops at 11.15am, 12.45pm and 2.15pm

Inspired by Earth Day, families can join local artists and providers in activities that reduce waste, encourage recycling, reuse materials and promote planting.

May Half Term - Print

27, 28, 29, 30 May - Booking Essential
Workshops at 11.15am, 12.45pm and 2.15pm

Learn different printing techniques from local artists and printmakers and produce a printed artwork of your own.

Summer Holidays – Colour and Light

Join local artists and makers for a range of creative activities inspired by the exhibition.

All workshops last for an hour and are suitable for ages 5 to 12. Check our website and social media for up-to-date details on availability and charges for holiday activities.

To book a place on all holiday activities visit the website at www.thehigginsbedford.org.uk/Book_Online or call the Box Office on 01234 718044 (open Tuesday – Saturday 10am – 4pm).

Puggle Club

Creative activities for Early Years (age 5 and under)
11 April, 2 May, 6 June, 4 July, 1 August, 5 September
10.30 – 12 and 1 – 2.30pm

A chance to get creative, have fun, and socialise! It's a free drop-in activity, so no need to book. Just pop in any time and stay for as long as you like. Please be aware some activities might not be suitable for children under 36 months. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

All activities are subject to availability, if the room is getting a bit full, we might ask you to wait until there is space.



Sunday Crafternoons

27 April, 25 May, 22 June

Free Drop-In, no need to book, 2-4pm



Monthly creative activities for families to have a go at together and enjoy. Suitable for under 12s. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Please be aware that space is limited and there may be a wait to start.

Toby's Tall Tales

Sundays: 13 April, 18 May, 15 June, 20 July

Free, no need to book, 2.30pm

Join trained actor and teacher Toby in the art gallery on a creative exploration of stories. Toby will engage children with immersive story reading and help children create



their own stories using puppets, drawings, songs and the artwork from the gallery. Ideal for ages up to 7. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Please be aware, space in the gallery is limited and is offered on a first come first served basis.

I Spy with Kevin the Platypus

Kevin the Platypus has been with the museum for well over 100 years and he still loves exploring. Pick up a free 'I Spy' trail and discover awesome objects and amazing art all over the galleries and collections. There are several themes to choose from.



SCHOOL VISITS

The art gallery and museum has so much to offer school groups across all key stages and topic areas.

Hands-on, curriculum linked sessions and workshops provide

students with opportunities to investigate and learn from real and replica artefacts as well as the fascinating historical objects and world-renowned works of art on display.

All visits by school groups must be booked in advance.

We strongly recommend that you contact us to chat about your requirements. Pre-visits are welcome at any time during opening hours.



Self-Led Visits for Schools

Book a visit for your group to explore the galleries and collections at your own pace. We can advise on the best galleries to visit to suit your area of study and offer a range of resources to support your visit. Admission to The Higgins Bedford is free and self-led visits can be booked for any time during our usual opening hours.

Art with Local Artists – Workshops for Schools

We work with a range of local artists and crafters and can arrange bespoke workshops to meet the learning needs of your group. Specialist sessions could include printing, clay or lace-making. Charges vary according to workshop and provider.

Please email thehiggins@bedford.gov.uk to discuss your curriculum needs or for further information on booking and charges for school groups.

History and Art Sessions for Schools from less than £3 per pupil



Explore the galleries and investigate local life over thousands of years of human history using real and replica artefacts and costume. Discover a local Bronze Age burial, investigate life in Bedford Castle, take part in

a Victorian Wash Day, find out about local people, places and events, and much more. Explore the diverse and world-famous art in our collections. Be inspired by the work on display and create your own art. Exhibition-led and Topic-led workshops are inspired by the themed art exhibitions on display or objects that link to cross-curricular topics and use a range of media to encourage creativity and imagination. We can usually find links to most cross-curricular topics.

Volunteers Wanted: Could you help to support school visits?

We are looking for volunteers who would like to lead or support our formal learning sessions, school visits and holiday activities. The sessions are fun, creative and hands-on. You would be joining a dedicated, experienced and knowledgeable team. Full training will be provided. With more volunteers we will be able to provide meaningful and memorable sessions to even more school children.



For a volunteer application form and more information contact gemma.hutton@bedford.gov.uk or on 01234 276365.

VISIT US

Booking

If you are required to book for an event please visit the booking section of our website www.thehigginsbedford.org.uk/Book_Online or telephone the Box Office, 01234 718044 open 10am - 4pm Tuesday to Saturday.

Easter opening times

Good Friday	18 April open 11am – 5pm
Easter Saturday	19 April open 11am – 5pm
Easter Sunday	20 April closed
Easter Monday	21 April open 2-5pm

Please check the website before your visit for any changes.

The Higgins Pantry

Why not stop for coffee, lunch or tea at the adjacent Pantry café as part of your visit to the Higgins. For large groups it is advisable to make a reservation ahead of your visit, call 01234 276340 or email eat@thehigginspantry.co.uk

Shop at The Higgins Bedford



Shop for a range of products inspired by the collections, exhibitions and seasonal events. Cards, gifts, books and toys are available during museum opening hours as well as a bespoke range relating to temporary

exhibitions. Every purchase helps to support The Higgins Bedford. National Art Pass members can receive a 10% discount in the shop on stationery and gifts.

ACCESS

General Access

The Higgins Bedford has step free access to all levels. Wheelchairs, mobility scooters, pushchairs and assistance dogs are all welcome.

Disabled Parking

Limited parking is available in front of the courtyard entrance to the museum and art gallery for visitors with limited mobility, Accessible Parking Permits or Blue Badges. The car park gate is kept shut so please contact us ahead of your visit or phone reception on 01234 718185 on your arrival so that the gate can be opened for you.

Wheelchair Users

There are two adult wheelchairs available to borrow, please contact us ahead of your visit if you would like to book one. There are three wheelchair accessible toilets on the ground floor.

D/deaf and Hard of Hearing Visitors

Reception areas, meeting and activity rooms are equipped with induction loops, which correspond to the 'T' position on most hearing aids. A portable loop is available for use. The Higgins works with Access Bedford to provide BSL talks, tours and events.

Blind and Partially Sighted Visitors

Large print captions for temporary exhibitions are available on request at reception. QR codes are available in some of the galleries to read captions online.

Families with Members with Autistic Spectrum Conditions

An Autism Friendly Guide on how to get to the museum is available to download from the website [Accessibility\(thehigginsbedford.org.uk\)](http://Accessibility(thehigginsbedford.org.uk))

For Families and Young Children

There is a separate baby change facility on the ground floor.

Changing Places Toilet

Toilet providing sanitary accommodation for people with multiple and complex disabilities located at the end of the Settlement Gallery, includes an adult-sized changing bench and hoist.

CONTACT US

Opening hours

Tuesday to Saturday
11am – 5pm

Sunday and Bank
Holiday Mondays 2 – 5pm

Closed on Mondays,
Easter Sunday, Christmas
Day, Boxing Day and
New Year's Day

Entrance is free
Donations are welcome

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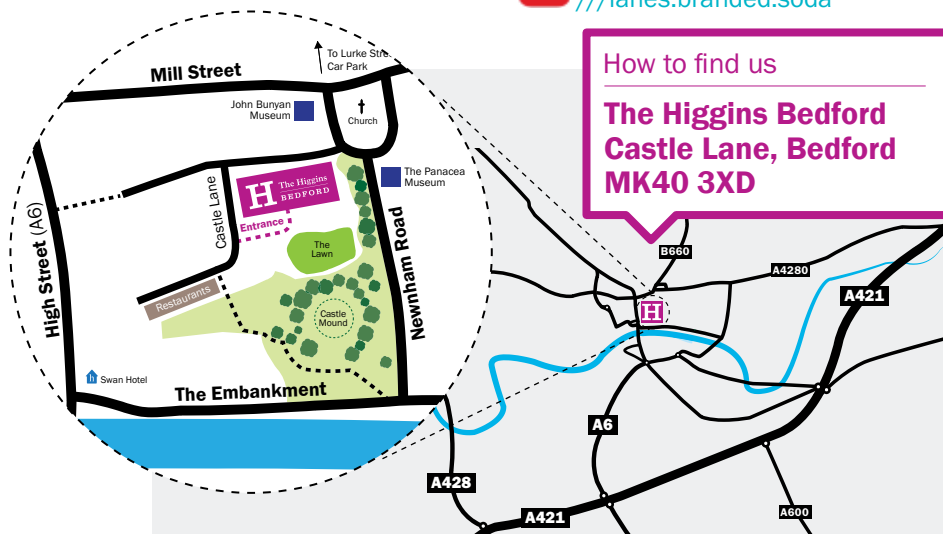
On Instagram

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Parking

The nearest public car park is at Lurke Street, just 5 minutes walk from The Higgins Bedford. Two hours **free** parking every Saturday and all day **free** parking every Sunday in all Council-owned town centre car parks. Further information is available at www.bedford.gov.uk/parking. There are limited parking spaces at the entrance of The Higgins Bedford for visitors with Accessible Parking Permits or Blue Badges.

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