

WHY NOT VISIT OUR OTHER SITES?



Worsbrough Mill Museum and Country Park

Set in a tranquil country park, Worsbrough Mill Museum is an amazing place to visit, have fun and see history come to life.

T: 01226 774527

Opening times

Monday to Friday
10am to 4pm

Saturday
10am to 3pm

Contact details

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Location

Situated on Church Street
in Barnsley town centre.



Elsecar Heritage Centre

Elsecar Heritage Centre is packed with places to explore and things to buy. It buzzes with activity and makes a great day out for all the family.

T: 01226 740203



Cannon Hall Museum, Park & Gardens

An elegant Georgian stately hall set in 70 acres of parkland and gardens. Year-round events and exhibitions make it a memorable place to visit.

T: 01226 790270

Site facilities



Toilets



Induction loop



Nearby parking



Shop



Baby changing



Partial disabled facilities



Restaurant

Conference and events facilities available for hire.
For transport details please contact Traveline on 01709 515151



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COOPER GALLERY



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Barnsley is very happy to have numbered among its citizens the philanthropist Samuel Joshua Cooper. Son of a wealthy local businessman, he undertook the Grand Tour, journeying through France and Italy in search of art and culture. There he discovered the rich legacies of classical antiquity and the Renaissance, bringing back many fine examples for the people of his home town to enjoy.

A RICH LEGACY OF FINE ART

When the town's Holgate Grammar School outgrew its space, Cooper acquired the building to house his collection and opened the doors to the public in 1912. Over 200 works were on show including 18th and 19th century paintings from Italy and France, a select group of 17th century Dutch works, and the largest collection of Eugène Isabey seascapes outside of France. Cooper, unfortunately, only saw the fruits of his labours for a short time as he passed away the following year. The collection grew with the help of other benefactors – chief among them Sir Michael Sadler, The Fox Family and Colonel Addy – allowing the Cooper Gallery Trust to continue to expand and develop the Art Gallery and Educational Centre.

The permanent collection now contains over 400 works from artists including JMW Turner, Edward Wadsworth, CRW Nevinson, Paul Nash, John Sell Cotman, Sir Stanley Spencer, Jacob Kramer and the Bloomsbury Group's

Duncan Grant and Augustus John. Among the latest acquisitions is Prunella Clough, one of the most interesting British artists of the postwar period. It's from these notable works that themed programmes and quarterly exhibitions are created.

Events and temporary exhibitions of regional, national and international artists hang alongside the permanent collection. Original works of sculpture, photography and fashion are regularly exhibited, with a recent Arts Council-funded exhibition of pieces by Tracey Emin and Grayson Perry bringing a modern slant to the town's cultural quarter.

The Gallery is home to open a vibrant café and craft showcase. Here you can buy original ceramics, prints, textiles and jewellery by local and regional artists, or simply meet friends and relax over coffee and cake.