

Ribble of Dreams Workshop FAQs

- **Where is it?**

Once inside the Guild Hall, go to the **third floor**, via the lift (button 3!). ITD's Creative Engagement Manager, Ben Mellor, will be around to greet you and show you to the space, but if you can't find him or get lost call/text him on 07779593638.

- **Can I get there by public transport?**

The Guild Hall is a short walk from Preston Central Bus Station, and a slightly longer walk from Preston Rail Station. For more information visit <http://www.prestonbus.co.uk/> or nationalrail.co.uk for current timetables. A taxi rank is located approximately a 2 minute walk from the venue.

- **What about parking?**

The pay and display multi storey car park above the Central Bus Station (cash only pay & display) provides direct access to the venue. Disabled parking is on floor 1, or blue badge parking is available on Lord Street adjacent to the Guild Hall with a short walk to the entrance.

- **Are the venue and workshop accessible?**

There is step-free access to the building, lift access to all floors, and accessible toilets. Assistance dogs are welcome in all areas. We strive to make the content and activities in the workshop accessible to all. If you have particular access requirements please contact ben@imitatingthedog.co.uk to discuss, we will do whatever we can to accommodate your needs.

- **What about child protection and safeguarding?**

All of ITD's staff that work directly with children and young people have full enhanced DBS certificates, in accordance with our safeguarding policy (available on request). If you have any concerns regarding the safety of your child at one of our workshops please contact ben@imitatingthedog.co.uk to discuss.

- **Will there be photography or video at the workshop?**

In addition to photo/videography used creatively during the workshop, we will take photos which may be used for publicity on our and Encounter Festival's websites and social media platforms. Consent for this will be requested on the day, if you would prefer not to give consent, just let us know.

- **Is there a latecomers policy?**

Please arrive 10 - 15 mins before the start time to settle in, grab a brew etc. so we can start on schedule and make the most of our time together. But we know that things don't always go to plan, so if you are going to be late please contact Ben Mellor on 07779593638 or ben@imitatingthedog.co.uk.

- **Do I need to bring anything with me, or a packed lunch?**

No – all equipment, software and physical materials are provided. We will provide teas, coffee, cold drinks and light snacks, but please arrive having had breakfast/lunch, depending on your workshop time.

- **Can I drop my children off and come back for them later?**

For the young people's workshops on Sat 14th, yes absolutely. You're welcome to stay and observe or accompany if you want/need to, but these workshops are designed for young people to participate independently.

For the children and families workshops on Sun 15th, no sorry. All children must be accompanied by a responsible adult for the duration of the Sunday workshop.