

g39 - Working Party: **Library**

This opportunity was first come, first serve and is now full so please don't apply.

Working Party

Working Party is a volunteer programme at g39. Volunteers will work with us, not for us, to gain skills and explore and develop the different parts of the organisation. It is also about coming together socially. We are planning a Technician Working Party, a Cinema Working Party and an Exhibition Working Party. This pilot is a **Library Working Party**.

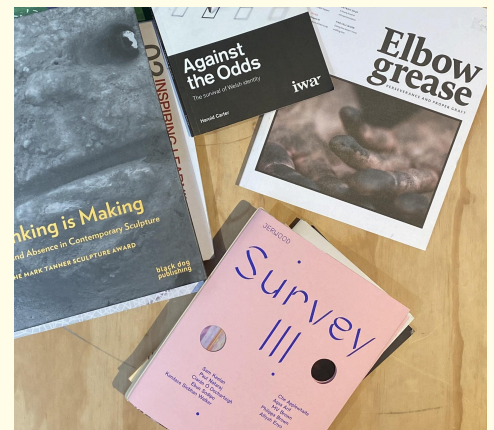
This programme is for you if you are trying to find ways into the Welsh visual art scene, want to connect with others or to build up your experience. **You need no formal qualifications to join in, just an enthusiasm and passion for the visual arts.**

What will be asked?

The **Library Working Party** is led by our current intern [Morgan Dowdall](#). We're currently looking for ten volunteers to work with us over five weeks starting in February 2025.

We will work with you to compile a series of collections within our library resources on a topic of your choice. You'll have a temporary space in the library to build your personal collection which will then be permanently searchable through the online database for future library users to find.

You will work with us to develop and strengthen our archive. Along the way, we'll be tagging, sorting and adding metadata to the online database. We'll be introducing new books to the library, photographing covers and making sure they are discoverable and useful for future users.



Perhaps you have a project you're currently researching, would like to get familiar with our library collection, or you'd just like to get to know g39 more. If you have a specific area of interest we'd love to collaborate and explore our library's resources together.

We're keen on supporting research that highlights underrepresented voices in the collection, or that takes a new look at what we have, whether that be compiling a list of

resources of global majority artists or Welsh language books - but we are also open to something more playful, like trying to find as many dogs as possible, chance, or following more visual research.

- **The programme is five weeks long.**
- **Each week there will be two sessions, one weekday session and one on the weekend.**

We understand that life happens so you are not required to attend all of these, but you will need to agree to attend at least 5 out of the 10 sessions.

- **The first session is on 05/02/25 ending 07/03/25.**

You will need you to commit to attending this first induction session to get to know how the library works and meet the team.

- **A session is three hours with breaks, and will be hosted by Morgan Dowdall.**
- **Three sessions will also include an artist-led workshop.**

The workshops will help you think about what you could include in your research and bring a practical, hands on approach, from creating new book covers to making objects to go alongside your research.

What do I get out of it?

You're volunteering your time, but that doesn't mean you shouldn't get anything out of it! Here's what we can offer:

- Travel costs to and from g39 of up to £10
- Lunch and refreshments through the day
- A temporary space in the library to work on your own collection of books on a topic of your choice which will then be permanently stored in the online collection.
- The chance to connect and network with other artists and the g39 team.
- The chance to meet Morgan's very friendly and playful poodle, Cashew! —>

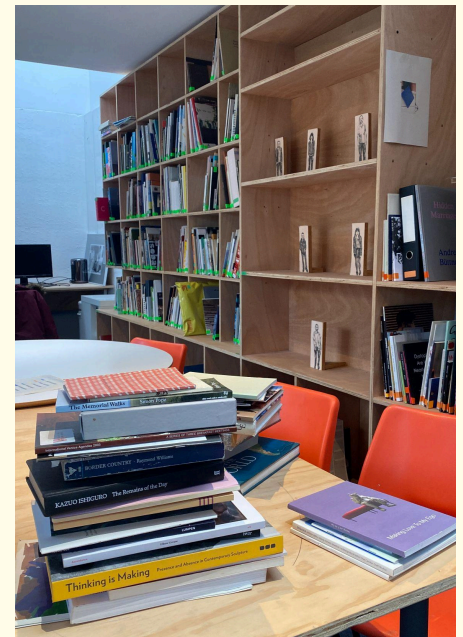


About the Library Resources

Our library is currently reference only, this means that items can't be signed out but visitors are able to come in and use the library whenever we're open.

Resources are organised into 9 categories, which are as follows;

- **Periodicals** (magazines and monthly subscriptions)
- **Art Theory** (writings on art topics - not many pictures!)
- **Reference** (sort of a miscellaneous collection)
- **Monographs** (books focusing on one artist or topic - lots of pictures!)
- **Artist Books** (books that are an artwork in of themselves)
- **Catalogues** (books from an exhibition)
- **Architecture** (books about architecture as a subject matter / an architect)
- **Public Art** (books about public art as a subject matter / public art projects)
- **Audio/Visual** (CDs, DVDs, etc.)



These are subject to change but we'd like your input.

We also have two computers with various software for visitors to use.

We recently had a situation where a lot of our digital library data was lost. We've slowly been building this back up again but it's a big job! The **Library Working Party** will help speed this process up.

Accessibility

Here is an Audio Description playlist that describes every part of g39 [English](#) / [Welsh](#)

The gallery and library are fully accessible to wheelchair users, and we have accessible toilet facilities.

On-site parking is available.

If you have any additional accessibility needs, please don't hesitate to contact us in advance. We'll do our best to accommodate your requirements such as BSL Interpreters, low lighting or quiet space.

Sign up form

Please use this [form](#) to express your interest in volunteering with us! The cut off point for this is 29/01/25, 11:59pm.

There is no selection process, if you're interested and can commit the time you're in! With that being said, if we receive a lot of interest we might have to go with first come first serve.

For any other enquiries please email me at intern@g39.org.



Cashew and I will be awaiting your responses!