

We look forward to welcoming you to this event which will begin with a 30-minute introduction to our objects on display, the remaining time will be a self-led drawing session.

Drawing Materials

Please bring your own drawing materials to this workshop as none can be provided. Due to the historic nature of our collections only pencils or laptops may be used in the library. Please do not bring pens, paints, oils or any substance or equipment which might damage items from the collection.

Getting to the National Art Library

The National Art Library is situated on Level 3 of the V&A.

There are two sets of steps leading to the main entrance of the library (Stair L on the Museum map). An accessible entrance to the library is located in Room 76 on Level 3. This entrance is reached by Lift F located off the Sculpture Gallery (Room 21) on the ground floor. To use this entrance you can ask for help from a gallery assistant when you get to Room 76 and ask them to let you in, or knock on the door and Library staff will be there to welcome you. The two reading rooms in the library are level with a wide central access way. There are two islands of desks in the Centre Room which are 60 cm high. All other desks are 66 cm high and none of our desks are height adjustable. However, wheelchair users often find that they can use any of our desks comfortably. If you need to transfer to library seating, staff will assist in any way they can.

Bags

You will be asked to leave your bags in lockers inside the National Art Library. Transparent carrier bags are available for transporting working materials.

Copying from the collections

Copying from the collections must comply with current UK copyright legislation.

The library does not provide a hard copy printing service; users are advised to bring a USB stick for saving images from the scanners provided. The use of personal copying equipment such as portable scanners is not permitted.

Photography (with own equipment, no flash) is permitted for non-commercial research only. If you require photographs for publication these must be obtained from V&A Images.