

V&A Academy

HACKNEY WICK & FISH ISLAND: SENSE OF PLACE

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Introduction



Hackney Wick and Fish Island is a place that has experienced significant cycles of urban and environmental change. Transforming from marshland to a network of canals, manufacturing industry to spectacular sports, warehouses to artist studios, meanwhile spaces to homes; the area continues to evolve at pace. This walk will piece together fragments of these histories, navigating local landmarks, built heritage and construction sites to look beneath the surface of this developing part of east London.

Please note that we cannot guarantee that this tour is fully accessible; there will be curbs, narrow and uneven pavements on this tour.

Information

Thursday 22 January or 19 February 2026

11.15-14.45

Offsite meeting point- outside V&A East Storehouse.

V&A Academy events invite you behind the scenes to bring you closer to the places linked to the V&A extraordinary collections.

Handouts

A day before our walking tour you will receive a handout that accompanies this event: an itinerary of the walking tour with landmarks to invite you to re-visit the route of the tour in your own time and further reading recommendations and ways to learn more about the topic by exploring the V&A's Collections both online and onsite.

If you have any queries regarding the walking tour or if you have any specific access requirements, please do let us know by emailing courses@vam.ac.uk so that we can ensure the best experience on the day.

Programme and timings are subject to change

Suitable for ages 18 and over.

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11.15-11.30 Arrival at Meeting the point- Outside

V&A East Storehouse

- 11.30 Welcome by Colin and start of your walking tour
- 12.45 45 minutes convenience break at **Two More Years**
<https://twomoreyears.co.uk/>
- 13.30 Walking tour continues from **Two More Years**
- 14.45 The walk ends at V&A East Storehouse

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