



Venue Hire Guide
Camden Art Centre
Arkwright Road
London NW3



Camden Art Centre, 2024. Photo: Sopo Ramischwilli.

About us

Camden Art Centre strives to be a space to look, make, think and talk about the most vital and inspiring contemporary art and culture today; a place to connect to your creativity.

Since 1965 Camden Art Centre has been a place for art and the people that make it. Rooted in our local community and internationally acclaimed, we foster a sense of belonging and a deeper relationship to art.

We aim to push boundaries and connect people to their own creativity through our exhibitions, residencies, events and learning programmes.

Originally built as a public library by architect Arnold Taylor in 1897 and updated by architect Tony Fretton in the early twenty-first century, the building now combines historic Victorian architecture with open, modern spaces and a secluded garden. Camden Art Centre has always led the way supporting artists and audiences to create and engage with the most vital and inspiring contemporary art and culture today.

Hire Types:
Away days
Celebratory hires
Film and fashion shoots
Meetings
Wakes and Memorials
Weddings
and more

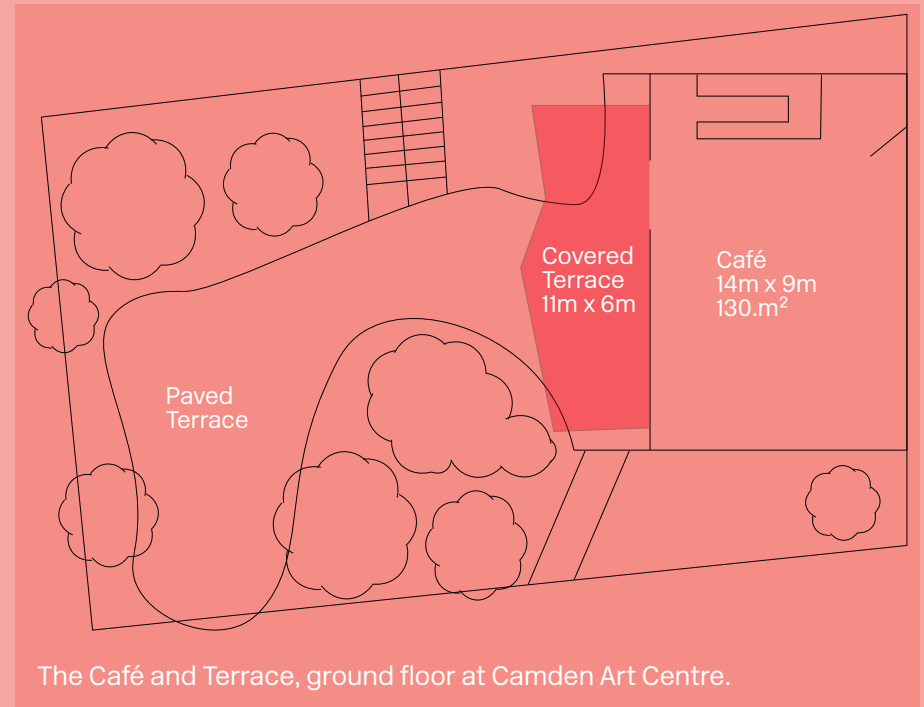


The Café at Camden Art Centre, 2024. Photo: Sopo Ramischwili.

Café & Terrace

The Café is a modernist space with an eclectic, mid-twentieth century, European feel. A serene oasis with glass walls, palm plants, soft luxe interiors and a circus tent awning festooned with twinkling lights over the terrace, our Café embraces nature in all her glory and is the ideal space to mark life's special moments.

As a place for celebration, we can accommodate seated dining experiences, cocktails, canapes and dancing until the small hours.



The Café and Terrace, ground floor at Camden Art Centre.

Capacity (inside)

Seated: 67

Standing: 120

Dimensions

Café: 14m x 9m

Covered Terrace: 11m x 6m
130.5m²



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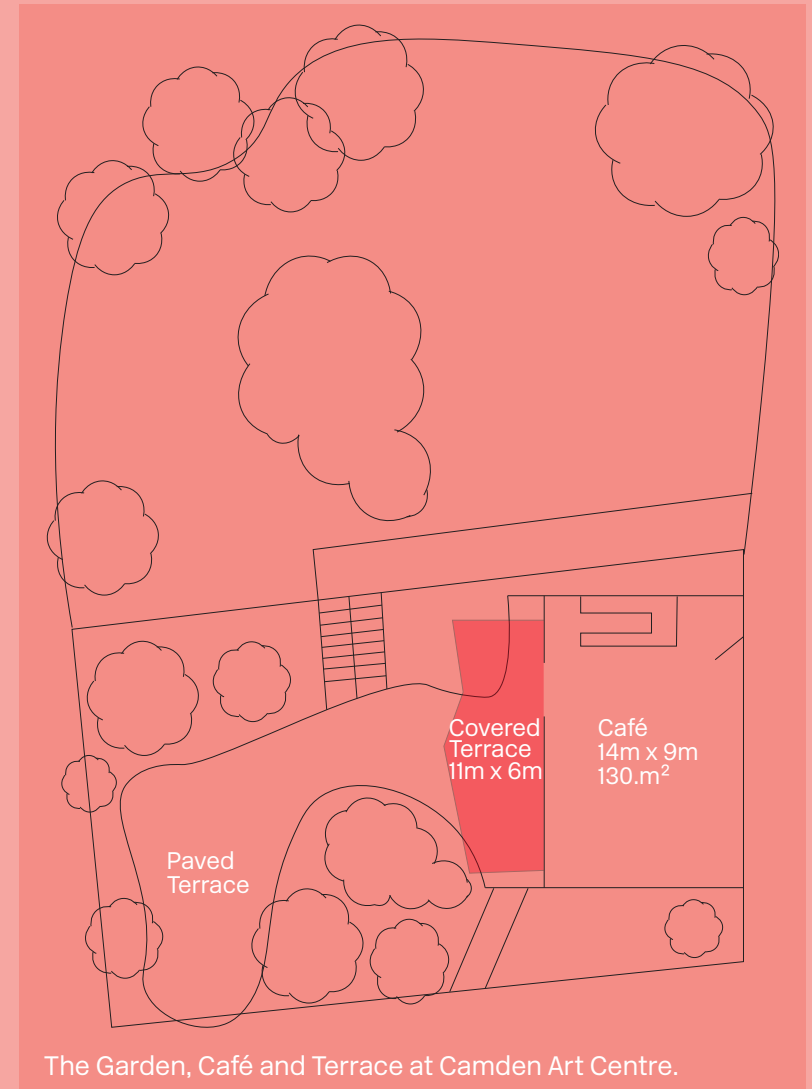
Garden

Our outdoor spaces consist of our covered terrace, courtyard and upper lawned Garden. The Garden is a tranquil and intimate space hidden away from the hustle and bustle of Finchley Road. A green haven of wildflowers, buzzing insect-life and bird song, the garden features *Toll 2013*, a commissioned artwork by Aaron McPeake.

With a seated terrace area and an upper lawn area, adorned by trees and woodland, this beautiful space can be hired individually, or together with the Café space for your special event.



The Garden at Camden Art Centre, 2024. Photo: Sopa RamischWill



Capacity
Standing: 250
Seated: 120

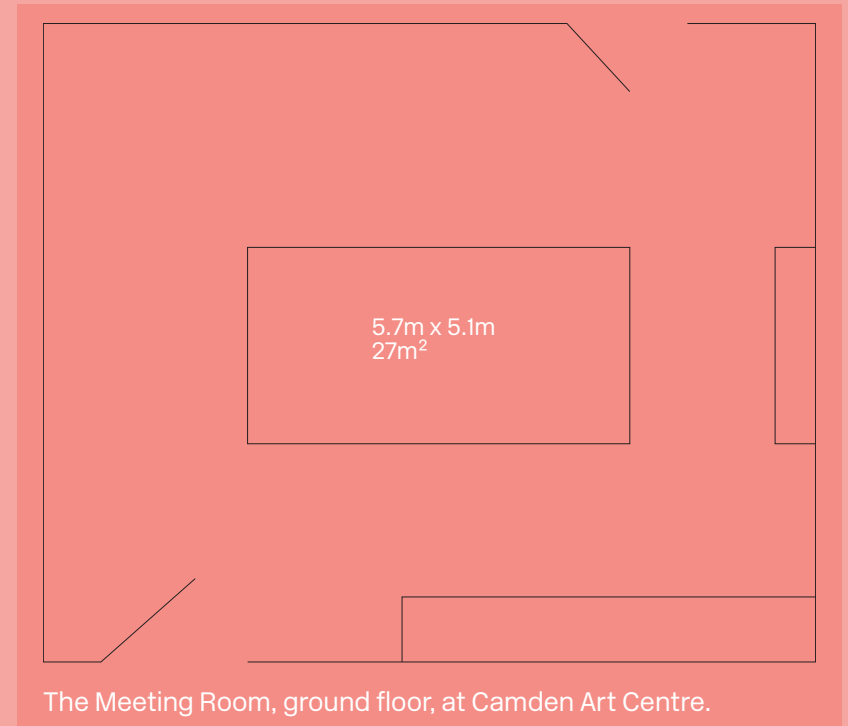


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Meeting Room

The smallest room in the building where the biggest ideas happen, our meeting room contains a miniature library of reference books and an ever-changing array of our limited edition prints as a nod to both our past and our present.

Tucked away from Finchley Road, the meeting room is a place that inspires conversation, an exchange of ideas, positive productivity and cohesiveness. With conference call facilities available and refreshments from the Café next door, the meeting room is the ideal space to reflect on the past and make plans for the future.



Capacity
Standing: 30
Seated: 20

Dimensions
5.7m x 5.1m
27m²



Gallery Three at Camden Art Centre, 2023. Photo: Sopo Ramischwilli.

Gallery Three

Gallery Three is a breathtaking space that lends itself perfectly to creative and bespoke events, film and fashion shoots. High ceilings, large windows, white walls and polished oak parquet flooring make this a light, airy and fresh space by day for wedding breakfasts, baby showers and meetings with colleagues. On the side of the building overlooking Finchley Road, Gallery Three is the best place to watch the sun set over West London and see the city at night glitter into life.

Alternating as an exhibition space throughout the year, Gallery Three has been the birthplace of works and performances by some world-renowned artists including Jesse Darling, Yuko Mohri, Julien Creuzet, Ryiuchi Sakamoto and many, many more. Artists are inspired by the history steeped in its walls and by the space they have to play with, and all our events in Gallery Three reflect this in a joyful, playful, beautiful and unique way.

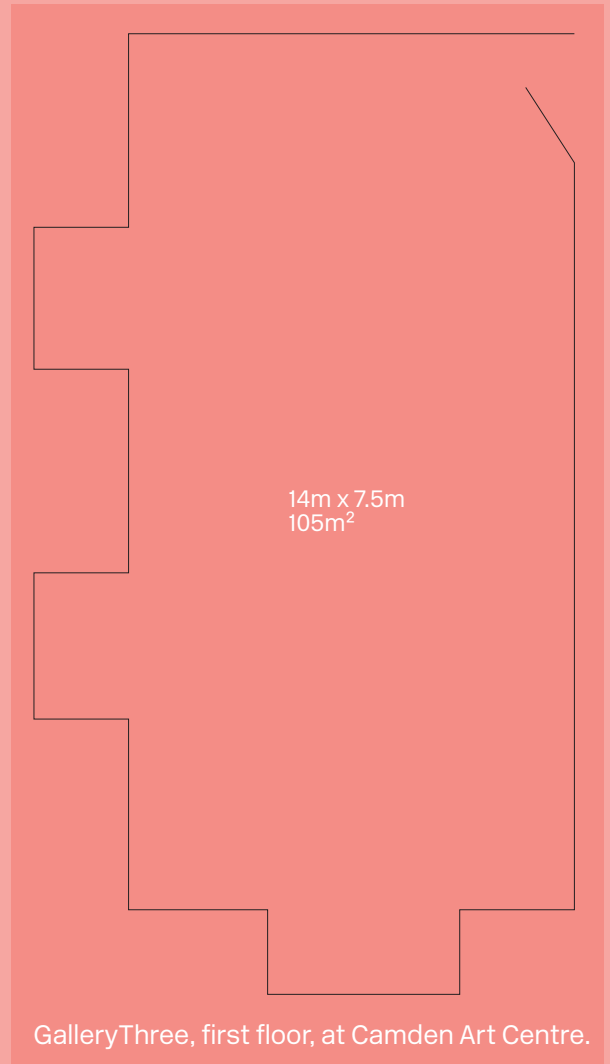


Gallery Three at Camden Art Centre, 2025.

Subject to availability,
dry hire available.

Capacity
Standing: 230
Seated: 80

Dimensions
14m x 7.5m
105m²



GalleryThree, first floor, at Camden Art Centre.



The Artists' Studio at Camden Art Centre, 2025.

Artists' Studio

Overlooking Arkwright Road and its handsome mix of arts and crafts and Victorian Gothic houses, our bustling studio spaces are places of creative play, free thinking, reflection, and meditation. The Artists' Studio sits amongst the gallery spaces. Featuring a coiling spiral staircase that leads to our archive room, the space is used for exhibitions, breakfast meetings, auctions, performances, lectures, film shoots and fashion shows.



The Artists' Studio at Camden Art Centre, 2024. Photo: Sopo Ramischwilli.



Dry hire available

Capacity
Standing: 70
Seated: 40

Dimensions
7.6m x 7.2m
65m²

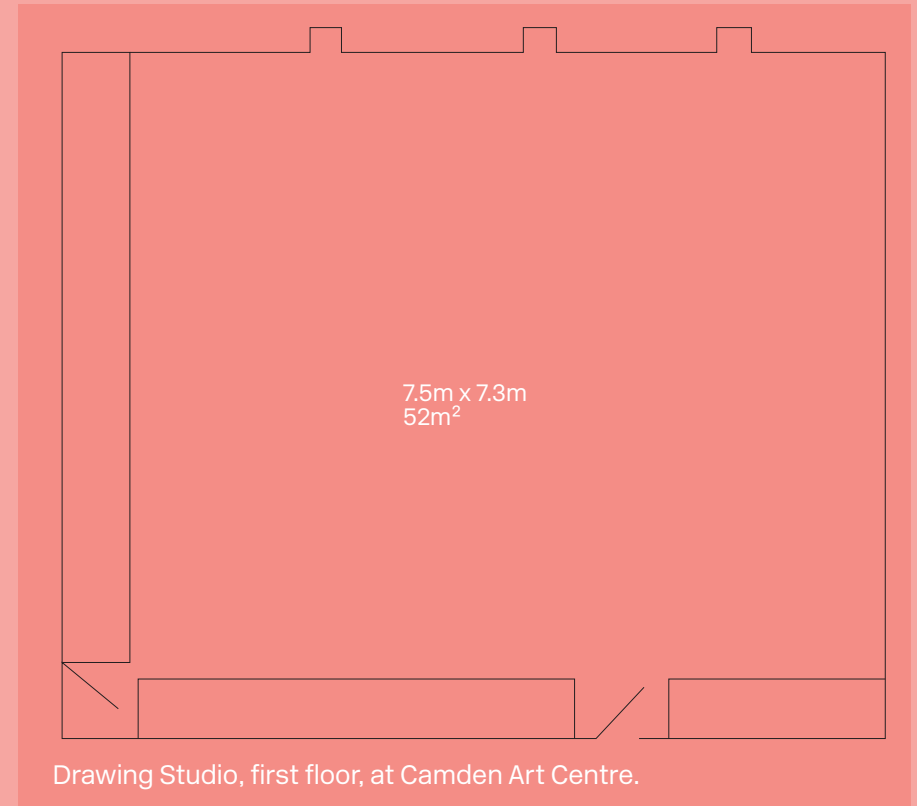


The Drawing Studio at Camden Art Centre, 2024. Photo: Sopo Ramischwill.

Drawing Studio

Flexible and charming, the Drawing Studio next door is similarly suitable for meetings, messy play, away days, and a host of other events. A working studio which houses weekly free learning activities for young people and families, the paint splattered easels and array of artist's materials

have made this space the perfect welcoming and comfortable environment for our extended community of art lovers and artists. Equipped with a projector, the Drawing Studio is the ideal spot for a host of events, meetings and away days.



Dry hire available

Capacity
Standing: 50
Seated: 30

Dimensions
7.5m x 7.3m
52m²



The Foyer at Camden Art Centre, 2024. Photo: Sopo Ramischwill

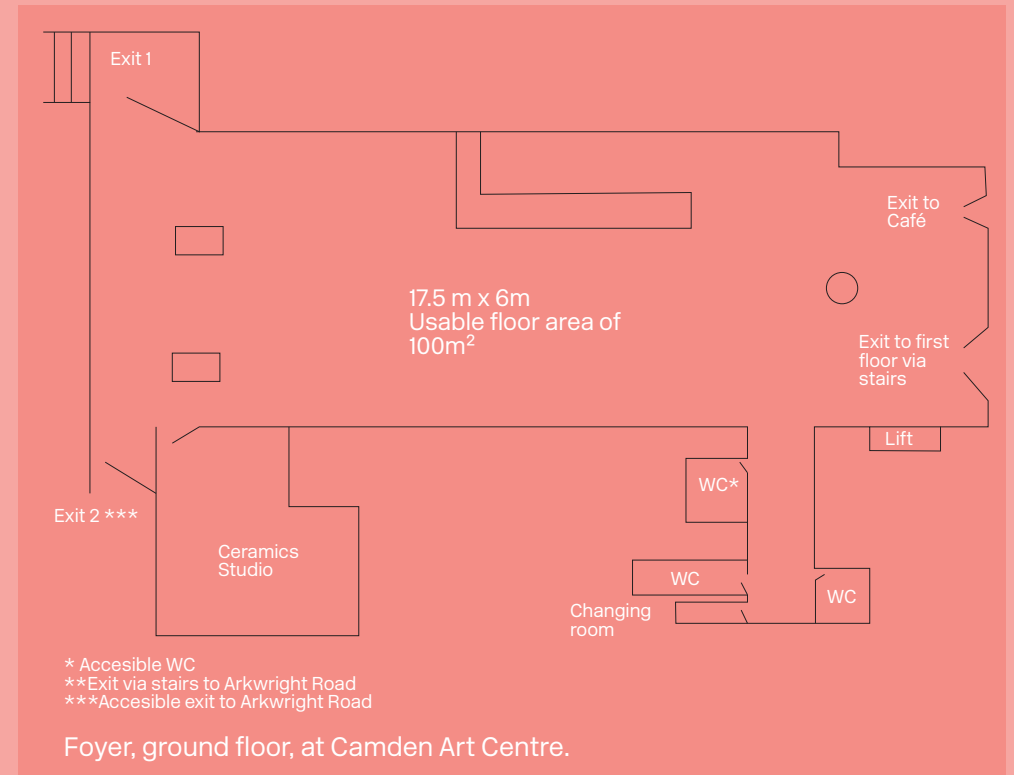
Foyer

The clean, modern and minimalist foyer at Camden Art Centre is the beating heart of the building, with soft lighting, bookcase-lined walls and a large glass window overlooking our wild herb front arden.

With full access to all facilities, this space is ideal for small canapé, drinks receptions, intimate evening dinners or as an area for greeting guests when hired with another space.



The Foyer at Camden Art Centre, 2024.
Photo: Sopo Ramischwilli.



Capacity
Standing: 60
Seated: 20

Dimensions
17.5 m x 6m
Usable floor area of 100m²



A wedding at Camden Art Centre, 2022. Photo: Lynn Shapiro Photography

Wedding Receptions

We are centred around delivering unique and bespoke wedding receptions for the couples we work with. Our experienced and well-connected team are with you every step of the way to ensure that your wedding breakfast and reception is everything you dreamed of and more.

In the run up to your big day, we will carry out up to three site visits with you to choreograph your celebrations. We will guide and advise you on timings, recommend entertainers and suppliers, coordinate deliveries, dress the space and liaise with caterers to ensure you and your guests focus on having a beautiful, memorable celebration.

Thanks a million for everything you did in helping us plan our wedding and on the day. There were so many details we wouldn't have considered without you, and you truly let the party continue!

Jemimah & Chris



Private event at Camden Art Centre, 2025.



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Whether you are looking for a simple, intimate celebration or a larger production, the team at Camden Art Centre will provide as much support as each betrothed couple needs and wants. The bespoke nature of the wedding celebrations we host here mean we can be flexible to meet your budget. Contact us to find out more and arrange a site visit.

We had our wedding reception here for approx 50 people in the garden and cafe and couldn't recommend it enough! The venue is beautiful, provides an intimate yet spacious feel with the light airy cafe and large garden. Definitely an amazing find in the city and all our guests loved it!

The staff were so lovely and helpful leading up to the day and made all the difference as we were planning in a short time frame.

Cristina & Emjad

Corporate hires

From product launches to team building away days, the spaces at Camden Art Centre are the ideal backdrop to add a sense of theatre to any occasion. Our modern, sleek and chic spaces are perfect for networking events,

breakfast meetings and drinks receptions, while our beautifully restored studio and gallery spaces on the first floor add a touch of elegance, creativity and uniqueness to your event.



Filming, photography & fashion shoots

Camden Art Centre has a range of versatile, light-filled spaces and a majestic secret Garden that blooms into life throughout the spring and summer months. Inside the building, our original Gothic architectural features, high ceilings and polished parquet floors are distinctive, elegant and classic.



Tenant of Culture, *Soft Acid* at Camden Art Centre, 2022. Photo: Rob Harris.

The Café at Camden Art Centre, 2024.

Additional services & bespoke tours

Your guests can enjoy private views of our exhibitions at an additional cost of £150 + VAT per hour. We will ensure that our galleries are kept open and staffed for the duration of your event with this additional cost.

Additionally, your guests can receive a tour of our exhibitions led by member of our Front of House team, our Assistant Curator, our lead Curator or even our Director.



Exhibition preview at Camden Art Centre, 2024.
Photo: Sopo Ramischwili.

Further information

Accessibility

We have step free access throughout our building and on our terrace. Accessible toilets, baby changing and general changing facilities are available on the ground floor. We have two all-gender toilets which we are happy to change to single-sex facilities on request.

Parking

We can offer on-site parking for those who need accessible parking. This needs to be booked in advance. There is free parking on Finchley Road and the adjacent side roads after 7pm Monday – Saturday and all day on Sundays.

Availability

Subject to our exhibitions schedule and availability, all our spaces can be hired between 8am and 11pm on Mondays, from 8am-11am Tuesday-Sunday and from 6pm-11pm Tuesday-Sunday (excluding Thursdays).

The whole site can be hired subject to a closure fee at certain times of year.

When timing your event, please allow for time to set up the space prior to the start of your event and time to deinstall and tidy up afterwards.

Availability Gallery Three

Alternating as an exhibition space throughout the year, Gallery Three is strictly subject to availability.

Deliveries

We can store a small amount of items for your event for up to 24 hours subject to availability of space.

Discounts

We offer a 10% discount for registered charities and local community groups

Dogs

Well behaved dogs are permitted on the terrace and in the garden. Please clean up after your pet so our garden can be enjoyed by our visitors and guests.

Getting Here

Underground:
Finchley Road, Hampstead

Overground:
Finchley Road & Frognal

Bus: 13, 268, 82, 113

Music and Licencing

Camden Art Centre holds a premises licence which allows for performance of live and recorded music until 11pm (10.30pm on Sundays). As we are situated in a residential area, we ask guests to remain inside after 10pm, with no music outside after this time.

Payment

To confirm your venue hire booking, you will be invoiced for a 50% deposit with a unique reference number and your booking is confirmed upon receipt

of this payment. The remaining 50% is to be paid two weeks prior to your event taking place. This is separate and distinct from any arrangements made with our onsite caterers.

Smoking

Smoking is only permitted in the garden and on the terrace.

For all enquires, please contact:
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