

Leeds University Library Galleries

Exhibitions Policy

The Treasures of the Brotherton Gallery (TBG) and the Stanley & Audrey Burton Gallery (SABG) at the University of Leeds house a permanent display of some of the finest and most distinctive items in the care of the University Library and University Art Collection.

In TBG, alongside the permanent display there are two temporary exhibitions per year. These will focus on material in Special Collections at the University of Leeds. In SABG, alongside the permanent display there are 3 temporary exhibitions per year in the Exhibition Room, as well as 5-7 smaller temporary displays in its Education Room.

SABG Education Room displays will focus on material from both the University Art Collection and Special Collections. SABG Exhibition Room exhibitions will focus on the University Art Collection or themes related to this, as well as giving opportunities to local artists, especially with a connection to the University of Leeds.

The aims of the Galleries' temporary exhibition programme are to:

- aid discovery and understanding of the rare and unique items kept in Special Collections and the University Art Collection
- promote knowledge of and access to Special Collections and the Art Collection at the university
- exhibit items that will appeal both to the Galleries' target audiences and to new audiences
- create opportunities for individuals from a wide range of backgrounds to engage with our collections
- use the collections to generate distinctive narratives that will encourage repeat visits
- create opportunities for participative experiences through a programme of workshops, talks and activities related to each temporary exhibition
- offer professional development opportunities, especially to students at the University of Leeds

- enrich the cultural lives of members of the local community
- enhance the cultural offer of the city of Leeds and the region thereby supporting the economic development of the area

If you would like to propose an idea for a temporary exhibition please [contact the galleries team](#) who will supply you with the relevant guidance and application form. Please note, it will not be possible to display items from other collections at TBG except in exceptional circumstances.

Proposals that do not meet the above criteria are unlikely to be successful.