



Berwick Barracks Artist Studio Bursaries

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1. Introduction

The Living Barracks is an ambitious multi-partner project, that will deliver a thriving cultural hub and visitor destination at Berwick Barracks in Berwick-upon-Tweed.

Over the next two years the Barracks will become a striking new home for the town's archives and collections, and a venue for contemporary visual art and public events.

The site already is home to five artists who are based in bespoke artist studios on the ground floor of G Block, managed by the Maltings (Berwick) Trust.

As part of our development of the studios we are now offering three bursaries for artists based in North Northumberland and the Scottish Borders.

Through the provision of a studio for one month, these bursaries offer an opportunity for artists at any point in their career to benefit from a dedicated working space to support the development of their creative practice.

Additionally, we are offering a bursary in partnership with Berwick Open Studios for an artist who may not be able to participate in the event (due to not having a studio or exhibition display space) the opportunity to do so.

Berwick Open Studios 2026 is funded by Create Berwick, The North East Mayoral Strategic Authority and Northumberland County Council.

More details about Berwick Open Studios can be found here <https://createberwick.co.uk/berwickopenstudios/>



*Image credit – Front Cover: Studio holder Joel Arnstein. Photo by Charlotte Payn
Image above: Studio holder Jo Thomas. Photo by Charlotte Payn*

2. Bursary Opportunities

Standard Studio Bursaries

Two one-month bursaries, consisting of the free use of a studio for one month, up to £300 to support the development of your practice and studio use, plus two mentoring sessions with The Maltings Head of Visual Arts.

These bursaries are available between October 2026 and March 2027. Please indicate your preferred dates in the application form.

Studio Bursary in partnership with Berwick Open Studios

A bursary in partnership with Berwick Open Studios, which offers free use of a studio for one month, up to £400 to support the development of your practice and studio use. This bursary includes support from The Maltings Head of Visual Arts and Berwick Open Studios Project Manager to participate in the Open Studio event.

This bursary runs from 1 September to 4 October 2026 and the selected artist will be required to open their studio during both weekends of the Open Studio event (26 – 27 September and 3-4 October)

The selected artist will also be required to have appropriate Public Liability Insurance in place for the Open Studios events.



Visiting Artist Studio

3. About the studio

The selected artists will be given the use of our Visiting Artist Studio that is 12.5m sq. within G Block with one window looking out on the Barracks Parade Ground.

The studio has a lockable door, power sockets, access to Wi-Fi, dimmable spotlights and an electric radiator.

There is also access to a kitchen, shared with five other studio artists.

4. Access

Access to the studio is available seven days a week between 6am and 12midnight.

The studios are fully accessible with a ramped entrance and accessible toilet.

5. Permitted Works

Due to the listed status of Barracks building, we cannot accept applications from artists whose practice requires hot works (i.e. use of kilns, welding materials) or practices that require ventilation (i.e. result in dust or use spray paints) for this opportunity.

Selected artists will be required to complete a risk assessment in relation to their practice in advance of using the studio.



Shared Kitchen

6. How to apply

Please download the accompanying application form from <https://www.maltingsberwick.co.uk/jobs-opportunities/> and send it to artiststudios@maltingsberwick.co.uk by midnight on Sunday 28 June.

Applications for Standard Bursaries will be assessed by The Maltings' Head of Visual Arts and a current Artist Studio holder.

Applications for the Open Studio Bursary will be assessed by The Maltings' Head of Visual Arts and Berwick Open Studios' Project Manager.

We'll let you know the outcome of your application by Friday 17 July.

We will prioritise applications from artists who live and / or work in North Northumberland and TD10 – TD14 postcode areas of the Scottish Borders.

If you have any questions about this opportunity, please email artiststudios@maltingsberwick.co.uk in the first instance.