

GALLERIES & AMENITIES

Welcome to The Bowes Museum, full of wonderful treasures at every turn. The collections include Paintings, Fashion & Textiles, Silver & Metals, Furniture, Ceramics and Sculpture spanning five centuries across the globe and from all the major European factories. The Bowes Museum has the largest collection of Spanish paintings outside London and holds Designated status from the government in recognition of the outstanding significance of the building and its objects. Thank you for choosing to experience art with us, we hope you enjoy your visit!



THE STREATLAM GALLERIES

Archaeology, toys and curiosities.



LEARNING VAULTS

Two bookable vaults with a 'wet' area for messy arts and crafts fun, plus teaching and preparation space for staff



EUROPEAN DECORATIVE ART

View the most luxurious materials and the best craftsmanship of the 18th century.



DECORATION & ORNAMENT

English Interiors 1500 -1900. English furniture and decorative styles from Tudor to Victorian times.



JOHN & JOSÉPHINE STORY GALLERIES

Watch the video*
and discover how
this remarkable couple
met, their fascinating
lives in Paris and why
they embarked upon
their amazing
Museum project.



SILVER SWAN GALLERY

Discover the secrets and story of the majestic automaton in this dedicated gallery.



SILVER & METALS GALLERY

Fine silver and metalware



PICTURE GALLERIES

Featuring the Flemish Altarpiece alongside some of the Museum's outstanding works of art, spanning the Renaissance to the late 19th century.



CERAMICS GALLERIES

Featuring one of the most important collections of European ceramics in Britain, including the Lady Ludlow Porcelain collection which can be found on the first floor.



FASHION & TEXTILE GALLERY

An award winning gallery displaying fashion and textiles from 1550 to 1970, plus a rolling exhibition programme.



EXHIBITIONS GALLERY

A programme of changing exhibitions bringing together outstanding works of art.



MUSIC ROOM

Historic musical instruments on show alongside the sound installation Song. Four instruments play solo pieces every hour on the hour.



JUBILEE ROOM

Available to hire for functions – please ask reception for details.