

# Compton Verney

## Primary school programmes 2012



"Just a wonderful day - the children learnt new skills and thoroughly enjoyed every minute."  
Teacher, Hagley Primary School

Compton Verney is an award-winning art gallery housed in a Grade I listed mansion remodelled by Robert Adam in the 1760s. It is set in 120 acres of 'Capability' Brown landscaped parkland which provides you and your students a great place to picnic at lunchtime and enjoy the parkland.

A school visit to Compton Verney is an inspirational, enjoyable and memorable day for students led throughout by our Learning Team. Our learning programmes engage students in a variety of hands-on creative activities. All our programmes are designed to help schools deliver specific aspects of the National Curriculum in creative ways.

Tailor-made workshops designed to meet your needs

The Learning Team can design activities individually for your school to match your topic or curriculum work.

A separate planning charge of £130 applies.

### Spring 2012 exhibition related programmes

#### Gainsborough's Landscapes: Themes and Variations

21 February – 8 June 2012  
for Key Stage 1 and 2

Linked to Art and Design Curriculum

£6 per student.

This year we are pleased to offer schools access to our exhibition *Gainsborough's Landscapes: Themes and Variations* prior to the official opening. The exhibition will be open to pre-booked school and college groups from 21 February. Our new schools project has been designed specifically for this exhibition exploring approaches to landscape painting and Gainsborough's working methods. Project funded by the Ernest Cook Trust

Exclusive pre-opening offer

#### Into the light: French and British painting from Impressionism to the early 1920s

3 April – 8 June 2012 for Key stage 2

Linked to Art and Design Curriculum

£6 per student.

Students will explore the production of paintings on both sides of the Channel from the 1870's to the 1920's. They will compare artists' work and discover how a more spontaneous approach to painting produced new ways of depicting light changes in the landscape. After a tour of the exhibition students will create their own landscape using collage to create colour, tone and texture.

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Schools are welcome 3 April - 14 Dec 2012

Tuesday – Friday, 10am – 2.15pm.

Exclusive opening of Gainsborough's landscapes from 21 February. Booking open now. Call 01926 645560

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Day-long  
workshops  
10am – 2.15pm  
Teachers  
go FREE

## Key Stage 1

### Talking buildings

*Linked to Art and Design Curriculum.*

*Maximum number of students 60 per booking. £5 per student.*

Students will investigate the exterior and interior of Compton Verney, comparing old and new building materials. After recording their observations by sketching and creating a rubbing they will make an exciting 'materials' collage.

Become a  
building  
detective!



## Key Stage 1

### Faces and feelings

*Linked to Art and Design Curriculum.*

*Maximum number of students 90 per booking. £5 per student.*

Students will learn about emotions through facial expressions by searching out characters and sketching them from our fascinating portrait paintings. They then sketch a self-portrait and create this into a relief portrait made in air-drying clay.

Lets  
make  
faces!



## Key Stage 2

### Pattern, shape, design

*Linked to Art and Design Curriculum. Maximum number of students 35 per booking. £6 per student. Postage and packaging £10.*

Students explore fabulous textile designs in the Enid Marx collection, recording patterns and shapes to inspire their own stencil-printed piece. Then working in teams they create a silk-screen printed panel using their own designs.

Become a  
textile  
designer!



## Key Stage 2

### Face to face

*Linked to Art and Design and History Curriculum.*

*Maximum number of students 40 per booking. £5 per student.*

Come face to face with Henry VIII! Students explore Tudor portraiture, symbolism, costume and handle replica Tudor artefacts. They will watch the Tudors come to life through replica costumes and sketch in the gallery. They will also create their own Tudor-style self-portrait using exciting painting techniques.

Meet  
the  
Tudors



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about new programmes,  
special offers and  
teachers previews.

Key Stage 2

## Clay containers

*Linked to Art and Design Curriculum.*

*Maximum number of students 90 per booking. £5 per student.*

Students will sketch containers and vessels from different countries and times in the collections. By exploring their function, purpose, form, shape, surface decoration and materials they develop a 3D design. They then make their own 'wish pot' from air-drying clay having looked at ceramic techniques and processes, such as pinch and coil pots.

Explore a  
world of  
containers!



Key Stage 2

## Mysterious landscapes

*Linked to Art and Design Curriculum.*

*Maximum number of students 60 per booking. £6 per student.*

Watch a volcano erupt, witness a shipwreck and see the hustle and bustle of the city! Students investigate landscapes, exploring composition, perspective, mood and atmosphere through sketching the paintings and grounds at Compton Verney. They then compose their own mixed media landscape.

Why not also extend your knowledge to urban landscapes?

Landscape - Cityscape at The Herbert, Coventry. See [www.theherbert.org/learning](http://www.theherbert.org/learning)

**Herbert**  
Art Gallery & Museum, Coventry



Key Stage 2

## Hard times – Victorian children at work

*Linked to History Curriculum.*

*Maximum number of students 35 per booking. £5 per student.*

Students will be introduced to Victorian life through characters found in the British Folk Art Collection. There will be an opportunity for some students to dress up in Victorian-style children's costumes and handle real and replica Victorian artefacts. Students will look for clues which tell them about the lives of people in Victorian times and work within teams to design and create their own 3D replica Victorian shop signs, using a variety of media.

Go back  
in time and  
meet the  
Victorians!



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## Booking information for schools

We request that all schools book in advance. This assists us when planning your itinerary for the day and helps to ensure that your visit runs smoothly. Bookings must be made at least two weeks before your visit. Unassisted visits are also available. Please get in touch for more information.

For bookings and further information please contact:

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## Payment and confirmation

- Provisional bookings will be held for 5 working days
- On confirmation of your booking you will receive an invoice
- Payment is required two weeks prior to your visit
- There is a minimum charge of £75
- Please note that this will be payable if you cancel your visit at short notice – that is giving us just two weeks notice or less
- Payment should be made in a single payment by cheque (payable to Compton Verney Publications Ltd) or by BACS Account number: 70741361, Sort code: 20-51-01

## Important information about your visit

- All programmes are lead by a member of our Learning Team
- Please ensure that there is one adult per six students for your visit
- Each student will need to bring an art apron and a small carrier bag to transport their artwork home
- All materials will be provided
- Teachers can bring a camera to record activities in the Learning Centre and the grounds
- Photography in the exhibition spaces is not permitted

## Food

You will need to bring packed lunches with you. There are picnic areas available on the West lawn at the rear of the mansion.

We will make alternative arrangements for you in wet weather. Teachers and accompanying adults should note that the café is closed on Mondays, so if you require a hot drink please bring a flask.

## Souvenirs

Goodie bags for students are available to pre-book. Please call the shop on 01926 645 509 for more information.



## How to get here


Compton Verney is situated 9 miles from Stratford-upon-Avon, Leamington Spa and Warwick on the B4086 between Wellesbourne and Kineton. From the M40 take junction 12 and follow the brown signs.

## Parking and access

Free coach parking is provided in the main car park. Coaches cannot drop off at the gallery owing to weight restrictions on the Adam Bridge. Enter via the gate to the side of the ticket lodge. There is a short ten minute walk to the gallery from the car park. Please let us know if any of your group have mobility difficulties and we will arrange transport to the gallery. A member of the Learning Team will meet you at the gallery upon arrival.

## Want to know more?

Download a free teachers pack for our programmes which includes risk assessment at [www.comptonverney.org/learning](http://www.comptonverney.org/learning)

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