

The Gift of Protest

Two hour workshop with artist Helen Mather, developed specifically for Girl Guides completing the Making a Mindful present element Craftivism badge



Developed specifically for Girl Guides, this practical workshop provides an exciting and inspiring introduction to the power of craftivism. Working with a professional textile artist, the participants will first explore People's History Museum looking at examples of how people such as the suffragettes have protested in the past.

Workshop outline:

The workshop begins with the group going into Main Gallery One to look at the suffrage collections on display to get a good understanding of what people have campaigned for in the past and the different ways they have put their messages across.

Back in the museum's Learning Studio Helen will explain about contemporary craftivism, show some examples of it and get the group thinking about slogans for their own campaigns.

The main activity will be making felt (fabric) keyrings to gift to someone, with a message of protest. There will be different templates that the participants can use, and a mixture of stitch, stamps and appliqué will be taught and used to create these.

The two hour session will be mainly activity based, with the first 20 to 30 minutes taking place in Main Gallery One and discussing craftivism, then the rest of the time will be spent making. In the last ten minutes the group will show each other what they have made and reflect on what they have learnt.

Prices:

- £4.50 per learner, minimum charge of £95.00 per session.
(Greater Manchester organisations)
- £5.00 per learner, minimum charge of £95 per session.
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To book this session, or for more information please contact the Learning Team on learning@phm.org.uk or 0161 838 9190.