



PEOPLE'S HISTORY MUSEUM
VENUE HIRE

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EVENTS AT

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At People's History Museum (PHM) we offer a mix of heritage and contemporary multi-use spaces that can cater for small workshop events to large conferences and celebrations. The museum's buildings house galleries, an archive study centre, conservation studio and cafe bar; all of which can be incorporated into bespoke event experiences.

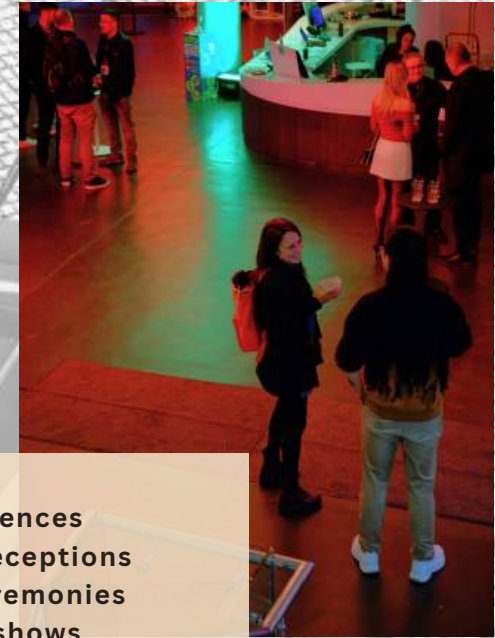
In choosing PHM for your event you will not only benefit from a unique venue packed with heritage, but you'll be contributing to something bigger: to support the museum's social mission as a free museum, dedicated to preserving and sharing stories of change that empower people to make a difference.



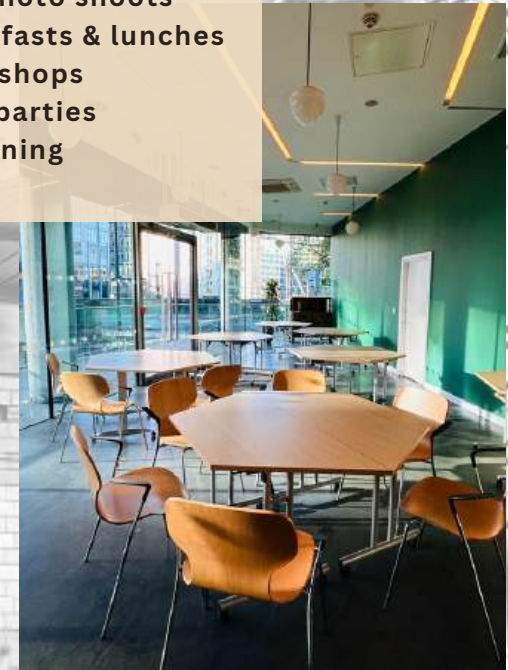
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Elevate your event by hosting it at PHM. With a choice of industrial heritage backdrops and contemporary, sophisticated spaces available for your bespoke event.



- Conferences
- Evening receptions
- Award ceremonies
- Trade shows
- Filming & photo shoots
- Working breakfasts & lunches
- Workshops
- Work parties
- Training



ENGINE HALL

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The largest of the museum's Venue Hire spaces; the brick and terracotta Engine Hall features vast arched windows, a vaulted glass ceiling, polished concrete floor and other original heritage features including colourful Pilkington tiles and intricate metal work.

Housed in a historic Grade II listed Pump House designed by Manchester's first City Architect, Henry Price (1867-1944), it is a Manchester landmark that once provided power across the city; from cotton mills and factories, to winding the Town Hall clock and raising the curtains of the Opera House.

The Engine Hall is an ideal space for hosting engaging conferences, sophisticated dinners, or customised events tailored to your preferences.



ENGINE HALL

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Maximum capacities
Cabaret: 90 people
Lecture theatre: 100 people
Dining: 120 people
Standing: 200 people

Dimensions:
16m x 9.5m | 152 square metres
Bespoke set-ups available



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Daytime hire	Full day: Access from 9:00am - 5:00pm	£1,350 (plus VAT)
	Half day: Access from 9:00am - 1:00pm or 1:00pm - 5:00pm	£825 (plus VAT)
	Additional hours: 8:00am - 9:00am or 5:00pm - 6:00pm	£150 per hour (plus VAT)
Evening hire	Access from 5:00pm - 9:00pm	£1,450 (plus VAT)
	Additional hours: 9:00pm - 11:30pm	£200 per hour (plus VAT)

COAL STORE

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The restored redbrick Coal Store features a spacious double height vaulted iron and timber ceiling and other original heritage features.

It offers a completely private, intimate space which is ideal for meetings, workshops, and breakout spaces. Its versatility allows for a range of layouts and configurations, catering to both formal and informal gatherings.



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Maximum capacities

Cabaret: 36 people

Lecture theatre: 50 people

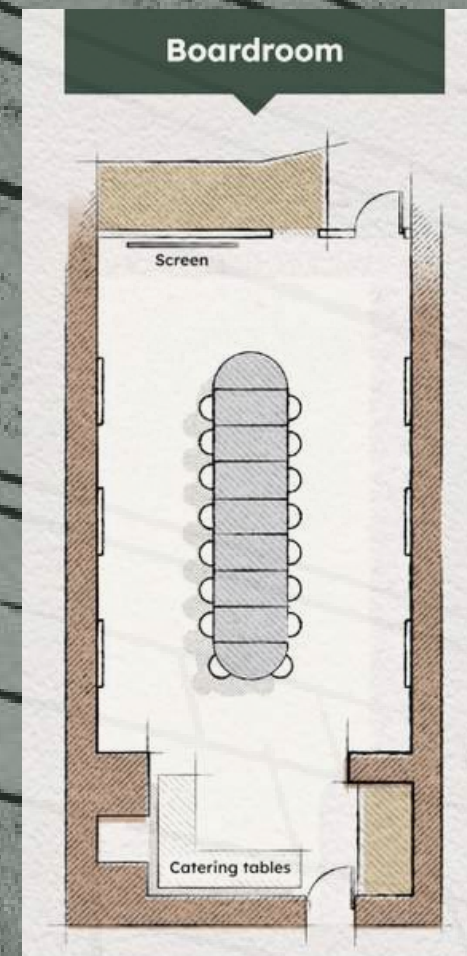
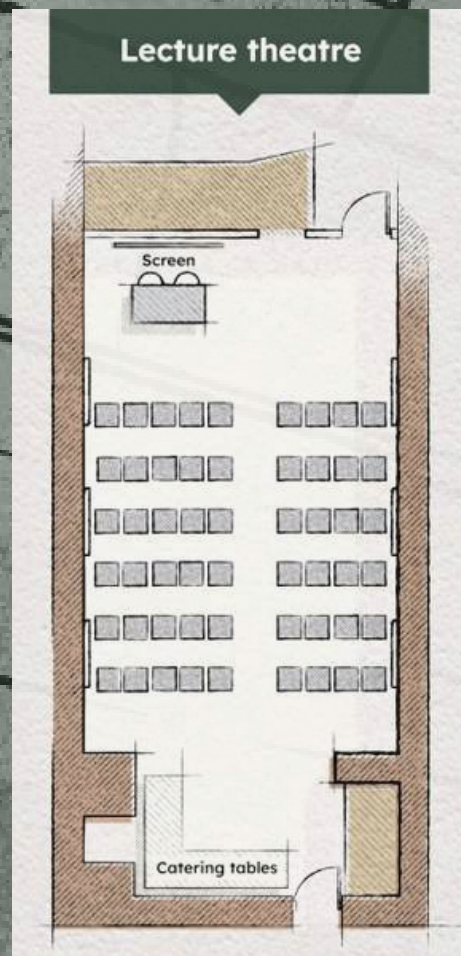
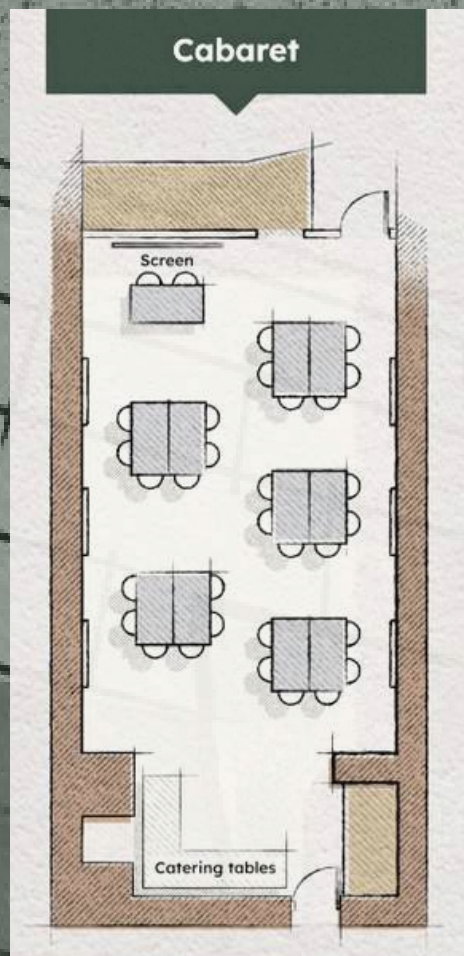
Boardroom: 35 people

Standing: 65 people

Dimensions:

12.4m x 5.9m | 70 square metres

Bespoke set-ups available



COAL STORE

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Daytime hire	Full day: Access from 9:00am - 5:00pm	£475 (plus VAT)
	Half day: Access from 9:00am - 1:00pm or 1:00pm - 5:00pm	£345 (plus VAT)
	Additional hours: 8:00am - 9:00am or 5:00pm - 6:00pm	£150 per hour (plus VAT)
Evening hire	Access from 5:00pm - 9:00pm	£790 (plus VAT)
	Additional hours: 9:00pm - 11:30pm	£200 per hour (plus VAT)

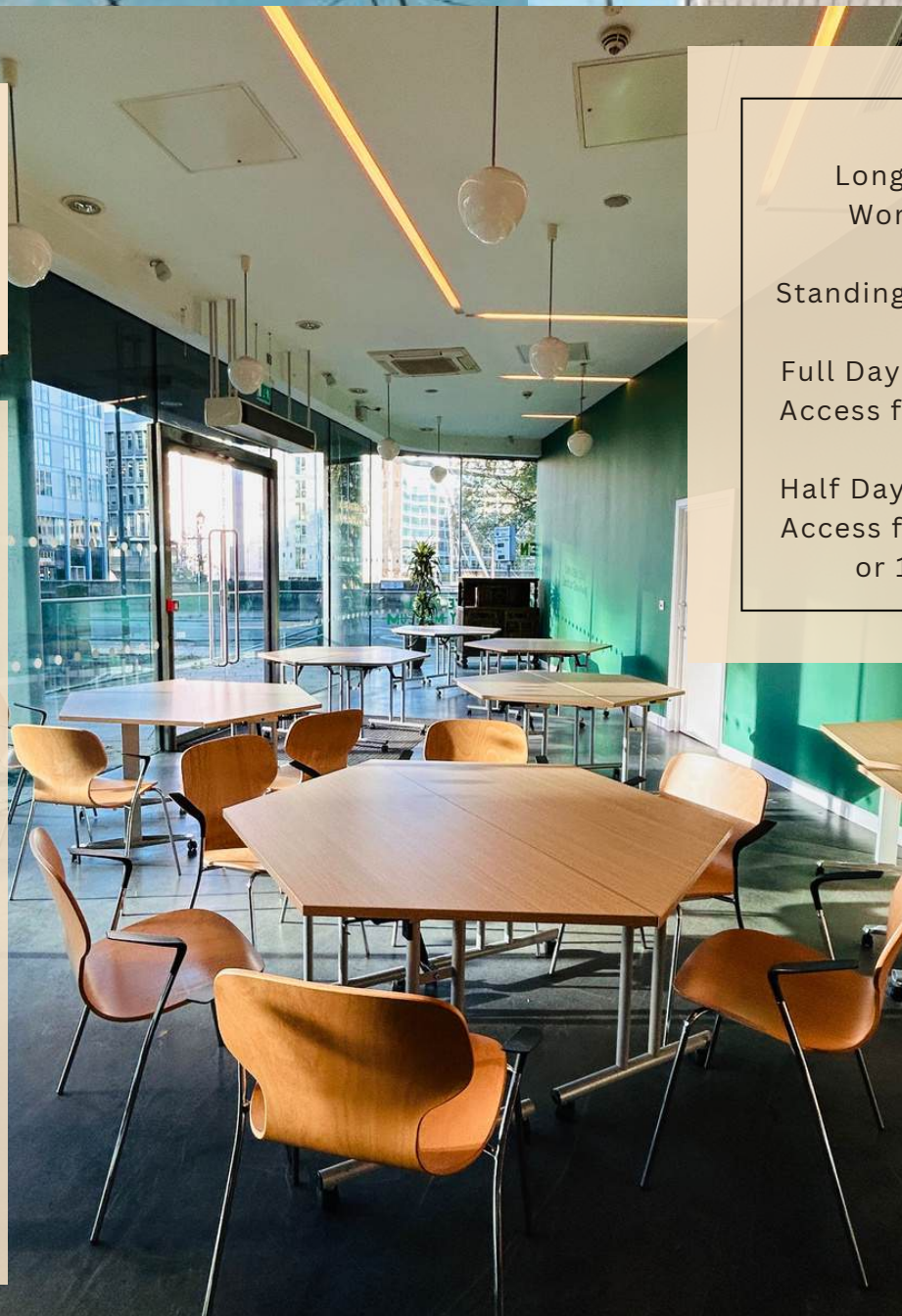
RIVERSIDE ROOM

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Our newest space, the Riverside Room is a spacious, informal conference space designed to offer a relaxed yet professional environment for your meetings and events.

Located just off the museum foyer, next to our in-house cafe and with access to its own riverside terrace, your event can enjoy stunning city views across the River Irwell, bathed by natural daylight.

The Riverside Room lends itself to an array of different events, whether it be a lecture style conference, drinks reception or a relaxed team lunch meeting.



Capacities

Long Dining: 35 people

Workshop: 36 people

Banquet: 40

Standing Reception: 65 people

Full Day Hire: £600 (plus VAT)

Access from 9:00am - 5:00pm

Half Day Hire: £450 (plus VAT)

Access from 9:00am - 1:00pm

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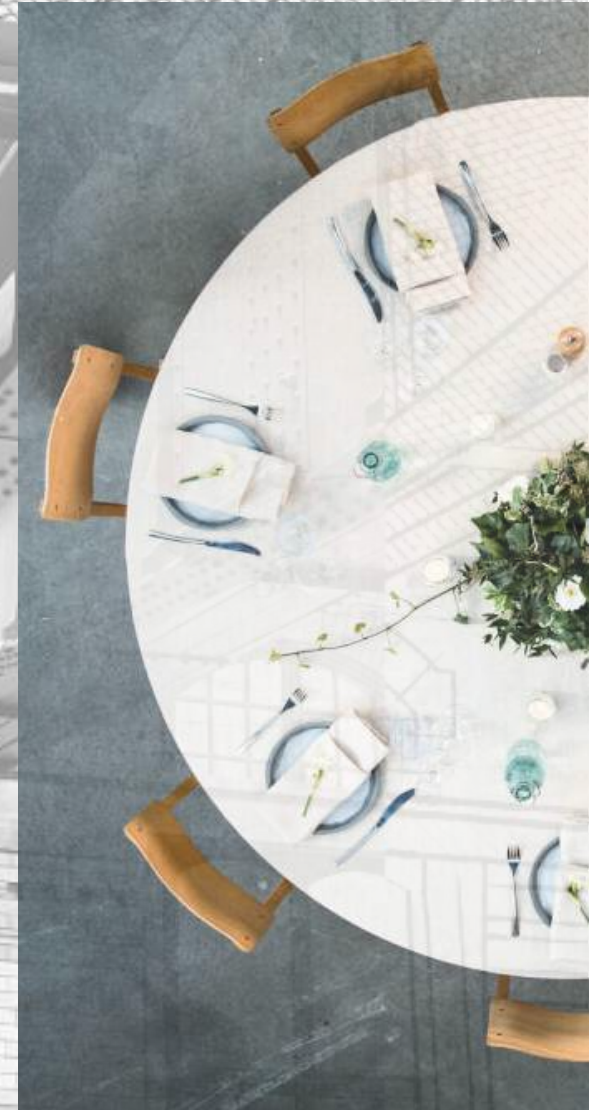
CATERING

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Catering is available from Open Kitchen, which has an excellent reputation for quality and its focus on ethically and locally sourced produce.

Their team of passionate chefs use a mix of intercepted ingredients and ethically sourced produce to create delicious, thoughtful, and seasonal menus, making them the perfect choice for catering your event, meeting, or celebration with a conscience.

You can choose from a wide range of menus, or talk to the experienced events team to create a bespoke package. The team are happy to meet any dietary requirements, allergies or intolerances.



FIND US

PEOPLE'S HISTORY MUSEUM

All central Manchester train stations and tram stations are within walking distance:

- 23 minute walk from Manchester Piccadilly Station
- 20 minute walk from Oxford Road Station
- 11 minute walk from St. Peter's Square Metrolink

Parking can be found locally at:

- Bridge Street, M3 5AH (1 min walk)
- Spinningfields NCP, M3 3BE (4 min walk)

[You can find our accessibility info here](#)

If you think PHM could be the right fit for your event, please get in touch!

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The PHM staff were great at communicating and responsive to all queries. They were so helpful and helped us work to find easy solutions for our event to make sure everything flowed smoothly.

The space is so beautiful and spacious - and being able to add on guided tours of the galleries was such a great treat!”

UK Registrars Group

“PHM was a beautiful venue, perfect for our young union leaders to learn in. The staff were fantastic, very helpful and so so lovely.

An absolute credit to the museum and you can tell the extraordinarily high level of care the staff have for the museum by how well it is presented.”

Prospect

“The team was incredibly helpful throughout the planning and hosting of the event. Everything was thought about and the event went incredibly smoothly.

Garden Court North Chambers

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