

## Quick reference guide

Tour	Price (per person)	Duration
<b>Bespoke and Specialist Tours</b>	£22	1 hour talk
<b>Exhibition Lectures</b> Price includes entry to the exhibition	Please see Exhibition Lectures section	1 hour lecture
<b>Collection Tours</b>	£18	1 hour talk

## Group size and tour duration

Each tour or lecture is followed by unlimited time to explore the Collection or exhibition independently. Exhibition Lectures and Tour bookings for groups of more than 30 people begin in the Ondaatje Wing Theatre with a one hour illustrated presentation. Tours for a maximum of 30 people take place in the relevant Gallery rooms.

## Book your tour

Please call **020 7312 2483** or email [education@npg.org.uk](mailto:education@npg.org.uk) to discuss your group's requirements.

The Gallery has a friendly and experienced team dedicated to arranging your visit. Group Tours take place Monday to Friday 10.30 – 16.00 subject to availability and cannot be booked in conjunction with any other offers or discounts. Groups smaller than 15 people will be charged the equivalent fee for the minimum group size. If less than 28 days notice is given, a fee of 50% of the total cost applies for cancellation or non-attendance and a fee of £100 applies for a date change. To ensure we can fulfil your requirements, we recommend booking as early as possible.

Group Tours are available for cultural, educational and membership groups. A separate programme is available to UK and EU University groups. Corporate tours are only available to the Gallery's Corporate Supporters, please contact the Development Team on **020 7321 2431** or email [corporatedevelopment@npg.org.uk](mailto:corporatedevelopment@npg.org.uk).

## Make the most of your visit

The **Portrait Café** is located on Floor -3 serving a selection of homemade sandwiches, pastries, fresh soup and refreshments. The **Portrait Restaurant** on Floor 3 serves a seasonal modern British menu, and afternoon teas with celebrated views of the city. Booking is essential, call **020 7312 2490**. The **Gallery Shops** sell a unique selection of gifts, prints and postcards inspired by the Gallery's Collection and exhibitions. The **Bookshop** on Floor 0 stocks a wide range of specialist and Gallery publications.



## Facilities

Toilets are located on Floors 0, -2, -3 and 3.

The Gallery cloakroom is located on Floor -2.

Our lifts provide access to all floors within the Gallery.

Free WiFi available throughout the Gallery.

Please note that the Gallery building is fully accessible and stools are available upon request.

Accessible entrances to the Gallery are on Orange Street and on St Martin's Place through the Shop entrance.

Additional wheelchairs and seating can be provided. If you have any access queries please visit the website or call 020 7306 0055.



**National Portrait Gallery**  
**St Martin's Place**  
**London WC2H 0HE**  
[npg.org.uk/groupstours](http://npg.org.uk/groupstours)

⊕ Leicester Square or Charing Cross  
⊗ Charing Cross  
Buses to Trafalgar Square

If you are travelling by coach there is a coach bay on St Martin's Place at the front of the Gallery for drop-off and pick-up only.

The Gallery is **open daily 10.00 – 18.00** and **until 21.00 on Fridays**. Closing commences at 17.50 (20.50 on Fridays).

### Keep up to date

Visit [npg.org.uk/groupstours](http://npg.org.uk/groupstours) for more information and sign up to our free group tours newsletter.

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Credits: *Sir Walter Raleigh (Raleigh)* by Nicholas Hilliard c. 1585; *Cindy Sherman Untitled Film Still #15*, 1978, Courtesy of the artist and Metro Pictures, New York; *Fanny Cornforth is the model for The Blue Bower* by Dante Gabriel Rossetti, 1856, The Henry Barber Trust, the Barber Institute of Fine Arts, University of Birmingham; *Queen Victoria* by Aaron Edwin Penley, c.1840; *Sir Francis Drake* by Unknown artist, c.158; *Isambard Kingdom Brunel* by Robert Howlett, 1857.

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Group Tours &  
Exhibition Lectures

## Come face to face with the people who have shaped British history and culture at the National Portrait Gallery.

With the largest collection of portraits in the world, whether your group has a special area of interest, wishes to gain a deeper insight into an exhibition or take a closer look at the Gallery's Collection, we have an offer to suit your individual needs.

### Bespoke and Specialist Tours

Explore the diversity of the Gallery's Collection through a tailor-made tour. Commission your own bespoke session reflecting your group's special interest or enjoy an in-depth look at one of our temporary displays, including *Shakespeare and the Plantagenet's* in 2019, £22 per person, 1 hour talk. For further details please see the website.



## Exhibition Lectures

Discover more about the Gallery's exhibitions with a private lecture by an expert art historian or artist in the Ondaatje Wing Theatre, followed by a visit to the exhibition. Prices include exhibition entry.



**Elizabethan Treasures: Miniatures by Hilliard and Oliver**  
**21 Feb 2018 – 19 May 2019**  
The first major exhibition of Tudor and Jacobean portrait miniatures in the UK for over 35 years, exploring what these exquisite portraits reveal about identity, society and visual culture.

**£25 per person**

**Only Human: Martin Parr**  
**7 Mar – 27 May 2019**  
A major new exhibition of works by one of Britain's most widely celebrated photographers, focusing on one of his most engaging subjects – people.

**£30 per person**



**BP Portrait Award 2019**  
**13 Jun – 20 Oct 2019**  
An innovative selection of the very best in contemporary portrait painting from around the world.

**£22 per person**

**Cindy Sherman**  
**27 Jun – 15 Sep 2019**  
This major new retrospective explores the development of Sherman's work from the mid-1970s to the present day.

**£30 per person**

**Elizabeth Peyton**  
**3 Oct 2018 – 5 Jan 2019**  
Exploring the evolution of Peyton's practice, her unique aesthetic and her interrogation of human relationships through her portraits of cultural icons.

**£22 per person**



**Pre-Raphaelite Sisters**  
**17 Oct 2019 – 26 Jan 2020**  
Revealing the lives and stories of the young women behind the portraits, this major exhibition explores the creative contributions of the women who helped define the Pre-Raphaelite movement.

**£30 per person**

**Taylor Wessing Photographic Portrait Prize 2019**  
**7 Nov 2019 – 16 Feb 2020**  
A unique opportunity to see new works by some of the most exciting contemporary photographers.

**£22 per person**

## Collection Tours

Specialist art historians take your group on a themed tour of the Collection as they unlock the secrets and stories of the great and the good. Choose from the menu below.



### Highlights

Whether your group is visiting the Gallery for the first time or has an interest in British history, learn more about the Gallery and the Collection through a selection of portraits from the 1,000 on display.

### Victoria and the Arts

Queen Victoria and her husband Prince Albert were great patrons of the arts. To commemorate the bicentenary of their births, as well as other notable figures including George Eliot and John Ruskin, discover more about some of the great writers and artists of the Victorian age.



### Kings & Queens

A fascinating tour of British royalty beginning with the Plantagenet's who were popularised by Shakespeare and moving through some of the most powerful people who helped to shape the nation.

### Tudors

From Henry VIII to Elizabeth I, learn about some of the most powerful and talented people of sixteenth and seventeenth century Britain.

### Stuarts & the Civil War

Discover this most turbulent time in British history, which saw plots, revolution, the execution of a King and years of Civil War, the plague and the Great Fire of London.



### Enlightenment to Reform

Journey back to the eighteenth and early nineteenth centuries, a golden age of science, music, theatre and thought, but also a time of reform and the birth of modern democracy.

### Rebel Women

Discover the heroic stories of the women throughout history who have fought courageously and tirelessly for equality; to assert themselves as individuals and make their voices heard.

### Portraiture

Investigate portraiture, identity and representation as you explore the Gallery's finest portraits and self-portraits, examining artistic technique.

**Each tour on the list £18 per person, 1 hour talk**