

Doors Open Day 2024 – Edinburgh Open Workshop

Edinburgh Open Workshop is taking part in Doors Open Day again this year.

During Doors Open Day, members of the public will have the chance to explore the EOW building including the fully-equipped artist studios and workshops. There they will be encouraged to have a go at making their own creations, meet the resident makers and enjoy an exhibition showcasing their work.

Examples include furniture design, textiles and upholstery all created at EOW and available to buy or commission directly from the makers.

Free 30-minute tours leave from reception every hour from 11am to 3pm and will include visits to the facility's woodwork, metalwork, textile and screen printing areas, as well as a new 9m x 18m exhibition and community space. With access to a private eight seat meeting room, kitchen facilities, a dance floor and presentation equipment, this area is now available to hire for meetings, rehearsals and other community activities.

Adults and children (aged 13+) can try using some of the specialist tools and equipment with a choice of supervised workshops on the day. These include woodwork and welding tasters where participants create an architecturally-inspired wooden candle base, engrave a metal key chain or weld a door nameplate to take away with them.

Each session lasts between 60 and 90 minutes and costs £25 per person. Please book in advance through the website – www.edinburghopenworkshop.co.uk.

Natasha Lee-Walsh, director of EOW, said: “EOW is delighted to be taking part in Doors Open Day for the fourth time. This is the only free festival to celebrate buildings and their stories. It gives us a great opportunity to invite the public in and showcase all the amazing work that takes place here. Our talented resident makers will be on hand to present and talk about their work, and hopefully inspire some new makers to take part in our workshops on the day.”

- **When:** Saturday 28th September, 10am – 4pm
- Tours will leave from reception every hour on the hour, 11am – 3pm
- **Where:** Edinburgh Open Workshop 39-41 Assembly Street, EH6 7BQ

Workshops:

Woodwork Taster: - Create your own architecturally inspired candle holders while learning essential woodworking techniques. You'll gain confidence using tools like a handsaw, pillar drill, and sander – giving you the skills to recreate your project again at home. Suitable for ages 13+ with a guardian and 18+ solo.

Welding Taster: – choose between a metal key chain with your name welded on or a metal nameplate for your door. Each workshop lasts 1.5 hours and costs £25. This class covers cutting metal, drilling into the steel and welding text onto steel. Suitable for 16+ with a guardian and 18+ solo.

Both workshops are available to book at www.edinburghopenworkshop.co.uk/news under **Latest Events** or you can call us on 0131 555 6866 or

email hello@edinburghopenworkshop.co.uk

