- 1 The Eagle Gallery www.eaglegalleryartists.co.uk Collectively run and beautifully curated exhibitions by 35 artists
- 2 The Eagle Bookshop www.eaglebookshop.co.uk Second-hand books galore, poetry nights and book launches
- 3 The Higgins Bedford www.thehigginsbedford.org.uk

  Art gallery, museum and gift shop
- **Bunyan Museum & Basement** www.bunyanmeeting.co.uk *Museum of John Bunyan and community art gallery*
- **The Panacea Museum** www.panaceamuseum.org Women's history, victorian architecture, beautiful gardens
- **The Quarry Theatre** www.quarrytheatre.org.uk *Theatrical, musical entertainment and Bedfringe Festival*
- **The Corn Exchange** www.bedfordcornexchange.co.uk *Classical and popular live music, theatre and comedy*
- **The Place** www.theplacebedford.org.uk

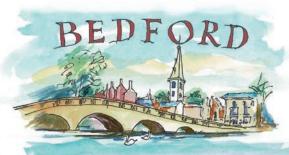
  Touring and community theatre and live events
- **Esquires** www.bedfordesquires.co.uk *Independent live music, many genres of local and touring artists*
- Beds Arts and Crafts www.bedfordcraftscentre.co.uk Adult classes in arts and crafts
- **Rothsay Education Centre** www.recbedford.co.uk *Adult education classes in many subjects including the arts*
- **Bedford Creative Arts** www.bedfordcreativearts.org.uk *Developing creative ideas for community arts*
- **Bedford School Gallery** www.bedfordschool.org.uk Exhibitions of work by local and national invited artists and groups
- The Arc www.thearcbedford.co.uk

  Works of local artists and designers
- **The Arcade** www.thebedfordarcade.co.uk *Buzzing with life, upcycling, records, plants etc*
- 16 Frescoes www.frescoesbedford.co.uk

  Michaelangelo fresco outside, cafe and art classes inside
- Coffee with Art www.coffeewithart.co.uk

  Quirky cafe with local artwork

Consult individual websites to confirm opening times



Bedford, town of free and independent thinkers, musicians and artists, from John Bunyan, writer of The Pilgrim's Progress, John Howard prison reformer, to Bishop Trevor Huddleston and Amy Walmsley, pioneering teacher and suffragette.



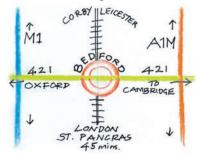
The Eagle Bookshop, now in large premises in St Peter's Street, hosts poetry evenings, book launches and similar events as well as offering 50,000 rare and secondhand books for sale.

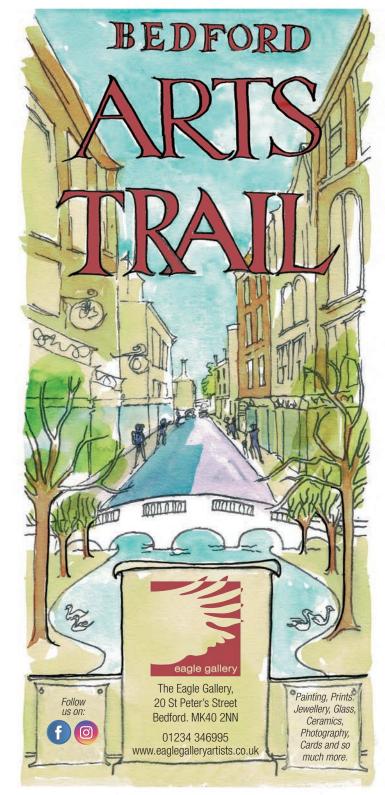


The Eagle Gallery, a collective of local artists, features vibrant exhibitions of affordable art. We welcome you to our monthly changing shows of original paintings, prints, ceramics, glass, jewellery, photography and cards.

## How to get here







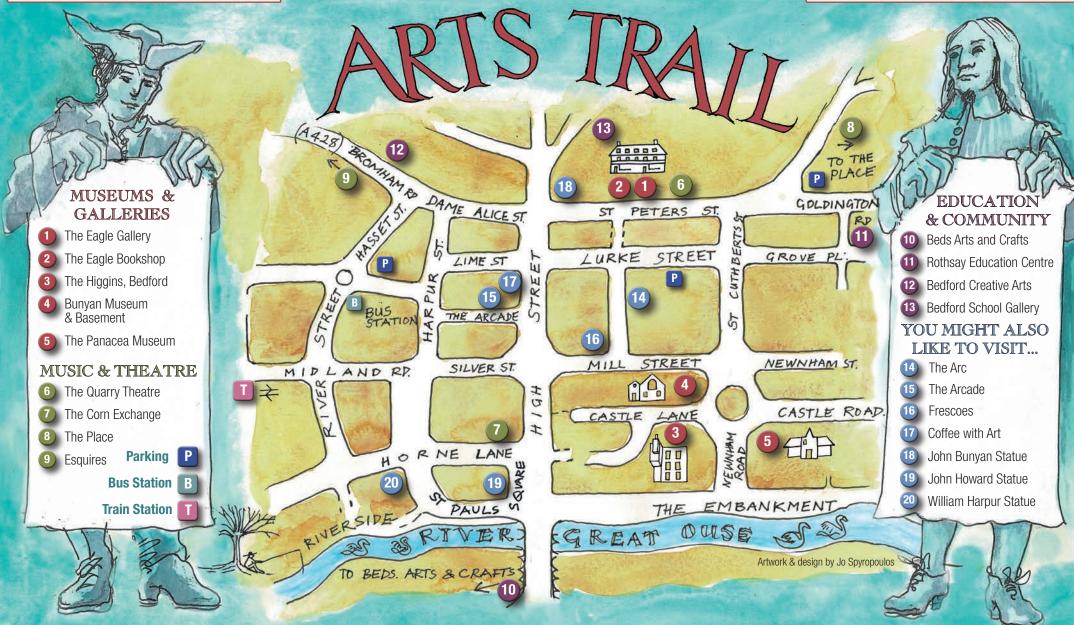
## JOHN HOWARD

1726 - 1790 - Philanthropist - Inspected prisons, was horrified by the conditions he found and established new standards that were adopted internationally.

## BEDFORD

## JOHN BUNYAN

1628 - 1688 Non-Conformist - Imprisoned in Bedford Gaol for illegal preaching, where he wrote The Pilgrim's Progress which has never been out of print.



Enjoy the Monthly Bedford Flea Market in St. Paul's Square (Affordable art & local produce) and keep your eye out for pop up art shops & find our vibrant markets & independent arcades.



The Eagle Gallery, 20 St Peter's Street Bedford. MK40 2NN 01234 346995 www.eaglegalleryartists.co.uk Bedford Arts Trail is funded by the Eagle Gallery

Wander along the Great Ouse, among many water birds and experience the spectacular planting in the Embankment Gardens.

Find statues & memorials and events in our parks in the summer.