

The **FRIENDS** play a supportive role in the life of the Williamson Art Gallery & Birkenhead Priory, run by the Wirral Museums Service.

The Aims of the charity are

- ❖ to contribute towards acquisitions for the collection & other activities.
- ❖ to foster an interest in both sites.
- ❖ to allow for the provision of volunteer help when and where appropriate.

The Benefits of joining the Friends

- ❖ receive personal mailings regarding upcoming events and exhibitions.
- ❖ receive invitations to private views and free initial refreshment at openings.
- ❖ receive prior notice of talks, Summer Serenades and visits to other cultural and heritage sites.
- ❖ receive discounts from several local businesses.

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Discounts and benefits for FRIENDS

Present your Friends membership card to receive discount

Jackson & Son –

20, Slater Street, Liverpool, L1 4BS

Telephone: 0151 709 2647

www.rjacksonandsons.co.uk

Rennies -

61-63, Bold Street, Liverpool, L1 4EZ

Telephone: 0151 708 0599.

www.renniesgallery.co.uk

Framework -

7, The Rake Precinct, Bromborough, CH62 7AD.

Telephone: 0151 334 8001 www.framework.wirral.co.uk

Tapleys -

6, The Village, Bebington, CH63 7PW

Telephone: 0151 645 1064

All the above will offer up to 10% discount for art and craft supplies for students & artists at their discretion.



The Williamson Cafe

£1 for hot drinks



ArtFix Art Supplies

10% discount



Oxton Books

10% discount

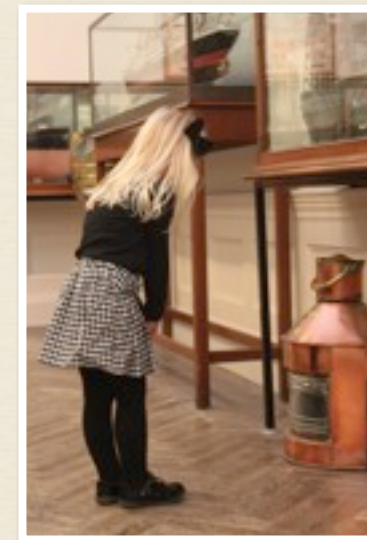


Williamson or Priory Shop

10% discount when spending over £10

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BECOME ONE
OF OUR
FRIENDS!

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❖ Friends activities

We are here to promote and enhance culture and heritage on Wirral by:-

- ❖ Supporting the work and educational activities at Williamson and Priory. By joining the 'Friends', you can help ensure the continuing growth of both of these outstanding Wirral landmarks.
- ❖ Carrying out a lively programme of Friends' activities
- ❖ Being a significant Membership organisation in the life of Wirral making a measurable difference to its culture and well-being
- ❖ Being a constant reminder that arts and culture are a major asset, bringing many educational, social and economic benefits.

❖ How to become a 'Friend' of the Williamson and Priory

- ❖ A membership form and standing order form should be in the centre of this brochure but should it be missing, please email: williamsonandprioryfriends@gmail.com for a membership form.
- ❖ If you are able to offer a more active involvement, such as the ability to volunteer for certain events, please let us know.
- ❖ The 'Friends' membership year runs from January to December. Follow the 'Williamson and Priory Friends' through our social media accounts.
- ❖ Charity Number: 1166363

BIRKENHEAD PRIORY AND WILLIAMSON ART GALLERY

"Everyone should have the chance to experience culture, participate in it, create it, and see their lives transformed by it."

The Culture White Paper 2016. Dept of Culture Media and Sport

BIRKENHEAD PRIORY

The oldest standing building on Merseyside offers a unique insight into the town of Birkenhead and its historical and spiritual importance in the development of Wirral, with St Mary's Tower and the Conway Chapel.



Saint Mary's tower and commemorative steps to H.M.S. Thetis link to Wirral's past.



The site offers an atmospheric backdrops for dramatic productions and events.

WILLIAMSON ART GALLERY & MUSEUM

One of Wirral's hidden gems, the Williamson Art Gallery & Museum is minutes from the heart of Birkenhead, on the edge of the picturesque village of Oxton. With collections and contemporary changing art exhibitions and full education programme.



Funded by the philanthropists, John Williamson, a Director of Cunard, and his son Patrick.



The largest public collection of Della Robbia pottery from Birkenhead in the UK

EDUCATION AT BOTH SITES

The Wirral Museums Service are fortunate to have a dedicated art room, a learning officer and an artist in residence offering arts education through schools and colleges, and with support from FRIENDS and national grants also offer regular free drop in family workshops. There are also frequent workshops with individual artisans.



From 2015 & 2016, embroidery workshops in the refectory for adults.



Schools are able to handle pieces from the collections with the learning officer.