

What's On: Spring 2026

Upcoming Events

Spring 2026 Exhibition Launch Party

Fri 6 Feb, 6.30pm–11pm

Celebrate the launch of our two new exhibitions with performances and DJ sets alongside a first chance look at the galleries.

Shahana Rajani In Conversation with Niall Ó Faircheallaigh

Sat 7 Feb, 2pm–3.30pm

An in conversation exploring key themes in Rajani's first European solo exhibition.

Spring Season Teacher CPD Session

Thu 12 Feb, 4.30pm–6.30pm

An art-making and practice-sharing educator session led by our Associate Artists Milee Lee and Amelia Daiz.

Spring Season Welcome Walkthrough & Creative Workshop

Tue 17 Feb, 12pm–2pm

A special guided walkthrough led by one of our Associate Artists, Amelia Daiz, followed by a creative workshop exploring nature, the exhibiting artists and Amelia's own practice.

February Half Term Family Activities

Tue 17 Feb – Thu 19 Feb, 10am–12pm & 1pm–3pm

Inspired by our new exhibitions, join us to make, explore and play.

Curators' Walkthrough

Wed 25 Feb, 1pm–2pm

Join Senior Curator Katie Simpson and Curator Niall Ó Faircheallaigh to discuss the key concepts and ideas presented in our two new exhibitions.

Wednesday Walkthrough with Syma Tariq

Wed 4 Mar, 1pm

Researcher, writer and sound practitioner Syma Tariq will guide visitors through Shahana Rajani's exhibition.

.BSL Exhibition Tour with Zoe Milner

Wed 8 Apr, 1pm–2pm

A British Sign Language tour of Dala Nasser's exhibition by Deaf artist Zoe Milner.

Ritual and Remembrance Workshop with Winter Síofra Beaumont

Wed 15 Apr, 1pm–2pm

Combining art making with contemporary esoteric practice, attendees will create grave rubbings on fabric, reimagining social rites of remembrance.

Food & Home Fair

Fri 17 Apr – Sun 19 Apr

Over 40 stalls celebrating artisan food and drink specialists and independent makers and designers working across homeware.

Wednesday Walkthrough with Nour Aslam and Kuhu Kopariha, Art South Asia Project

Wed 22 Apr, 1pm

A tour through Shahana Rajani's exhibition

Wednesday Walkthrough with Reuben Hutchinson-Wong

Wed 29 Apr, 1pm

Join ancient historian Reuben Hutchinson-Wong for a tour of Dala Nasser's exhibition.

Two Lenses on Beirut, curated by Emma Bouraba.

Thu 26 Mar, 6pm

Screening of *Nahla*, dir. Farouk Beloufa.

Thu 30 Apr, 6pm

Screening of *A Letter from Beirut*, dir. Jocelyne Saab.

Artist Talk: Dala Nasser

Sat 2 May, 1pm–2.30pm

Learn more about Nasser's large-scale sculptural and sonic installation that invites audiences into a collective space of mourning and remembrance.

12.30 Talks

Tue, Thu, Sat & Sun, 17 Feb – 10 May, 12.30pm

Short informal talks on our current exhibitions given by our knowledgeable team of gallery assistants.



Current Exhibitions

Sat 7 Feb - Sun 10 May 2026

Shahana Rajani: *Lines That World a River*

The first European solo exhibition by multi-disciplinary artist Shahana Rajani (b. 1987, Karachi, Pakistan) with contributions from Ustad Abdul Aziz, Abdul Sattar and Aziza Ahmad. The work centres practices and lineages of drawing and painting through which coastal communities in Pakistan remain connected to sacred ecologies of rivers and sea amidst the violence and erasure of infrastructure and the climate emergency.

Dala Nasser: *Cemetery of Martyrs*

The first solo exhibition in a major cultural institution in the UK by Dala Nasser (b. 1990, Lebanon) featuring a large-scale sculptural and sonic installation that creates a place to mourn, learn, and reaffirm the power of culture and humanity to connect us to histories of resistance and renewal, finding hope in the past to forge new pathways of thought and action for the future.

Upcoming Exhibitions

Augustas Serapinas: *Physical Culture*

6 Jun – 6 Sep 2026

Two gallery spaces will be transformed into a functioning gym with fitness equipment created by the artist, incorporating new sculptures cast from the heads of local groups in Nottingham in place of conventional weights.

Chico da Silva

6 Jun – 6 Sep 2026

A glimpse into an immense non-hierarchical cosmology that was fuelled by the artist's imagination, mythology and folklore.

Sarah Cunningham

3 Oct 2026 – 11 Jan 2027

Imaginary wildnesses and fluid forestscapes take inspiration from the speculative landscapes of science fiction literature, art history, ecology and personal references.

Julia Isírez

3 Oct 2026 – 11 Jan 2027

Guaraní artist and ceramicist Julia Isírez's clay sculptures trouble and enlighten many issues that define cultural debate today – from indigeneity and identity politics to craft.

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