

Guest Membership at designermakers21

This scheme is aimed at crafts people who are considering applying for full membership and/or who would like to experience working in a shared studio space.

Guest membership offers a three month studio space in designermakers21. To help crafts people using this space we offer a discounted rate of £50/ month + £5/ month for the kitty (to purchase tea/coffee etc) along with a 10% commission on any sales.

Guest members pay a key deposit of £25 which is refunded at the end of the 3 month's membership, once the key has been returned.

designermakers21 is open to the public every Thursday, Friday and Saturday. We try to be here as much as possible on these days so that we can talk to visitors about our crafts and sell our work.

You will need to source your own Public Liability insurance; if you need any assistance with this please let us know.

Guest members do not have a guaranteed display space in the window. However, you will have a small space to display in the main galleries with information about yourself and your practice.

We invite guest members to host workshops for the public in their craft practices, either in their work space or in the upstairs workshop area. Please discuss with us before advertising workshops, as relevant checks are needed for running workshops with children, young people and

vulnerable adults.

We provide guest members with designermakers 21 leaflet templates which must be used for all publicity; we will also promote you and your work on our website and social media.

Guest members are not required to contribute to our cleaning and opening rotas but we would welcome any offers of help during your stay.

At designermakers21 we host a variety of events throughout the year to raise funds for designemakersCIO. Part of this occasionally involves members and guest members creating space in their studios to make way for these events. We also appreciate guest members getting involved in any of these fundraising events.

You are welcome to contribute to the running and development of designermakers21; we value your ideas and input. If you would like to have a slot on the front desk to see what happens in selling and talking with customers, this can be arranged with Kate. You are invited to the first and last Friday meeting of your stay with us.

As part of this scheme, in return for a discounted rent, we ask for written feedback of your experience at the end of your 3 month membership.

If space allows, it may be possible for you to extend your guest membership by a further 3 months @ £75/month. We would also expect guest members, at this point, to become more involved in the running of designermakers21 and to help with domestic chores.

You are also welcome to discuss applying for full membership or returning for another 3 month guest membership.