

ASSEMBLY HOUSE - AVAILABLE DESKS

ABOUT ASSEMBLY HOUSE

Assembly House is an artist-led community arts organisation, project space and studios, in Armley, Leeds.

We have a strong commitment to professional development and providing a vital platform and support structures to early career artists and creatives in our city. We define early career artists as anyone who is at the start of their career, or in the process of developing their career, regardless of their age or educational training. Led by people with diverse lived experiences, we're passionate about supporting cross-disciplinary practices, and creating essential opportunities that remove barriers to arts engagement for those who need it.

ABOUT THE STUDIOS

We currently have a community of nearly 70 artists working in our studios. Each artist has a different practice, ranging from painting, sculpture, textiles, photography, sound, performance, wood and metal work, and more. Our studios have an open feel and our artist community thrives on collaboration and a welcoming atmosphere. As part of our commitment to supporting early career artists we provide a range of other services and benefits as part of your membership. These are:

- Funding bid and application writing support
- Woodworking and technical training and access to workshop tools
- Mentoring support through our various projects, staff and board members
- Supported opportunities to exhibit in our main programme
- Paid opportunities to work on our community programme
- Free hire of our project space
- Group crit sessions
- Inclusion in our annual group exhibition
- Promotion through our website and social media channels
- Free or discounted tickets to our skills development sessions, life drawing sessions and other events

We also have some flourishing social groups, such as a book club, allotment group chat, Mine Craft server, regular group trips and potlucks, as well as an annual Christmas party and anything else you might want to suggest!

DESK A

This is available from 1st October 2025.

A desk space - 61 X 120cm and two plug sockets - working alongside five other creatives, with lots of natural light from the windows. We are accepting applications from any creatives that feel this space would suit their practice or work. Each desk member gets their own cupboard (measuring 61 X 54cm). The desk cost is £60 per month.

As the desks are a communal space we ask that people are respectful of others working around them.



DESK B

This is available from 1st September 2025.

A desk space - 61 X 110cm with four plug sockets - and lots of natural light from the huge window in the corner of the space. We are accepting applications from any creatives that feel this space would suit their practice or work. Each desk member gets their own cupboard (measuring 61 X 54cm for anything you need storing! The desk cost is £60 per month.

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DESK C

This is available from 1st November 2025.

A desk space - 61 X 110cm with 2 plug sockets - working alongside five other creatives and loads of natural light from the window and also a huge window in the corner of the space.

We are accepting applications from any creatives that feel this space would suit their practice or work. Each desk member gets their own cupboard (measuring 61 X 54cm) for anything you need storing! The desk cost is £60 per month.

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PRACTICAL INFORMATION

Assembly House is on the first and second floor of our building. It is accessible by a flight of stairs. Once in the building there is another flight of stairs between the two floors. The first floor is 2 small steps to access the main toilets and the project space. The second floor has no steps. The flooring is even in some areas of the building. The light levels, colours and sound levels change throughout the building and depending on what activity is happening.

Our kitchen is equipped with a hob, oven, air fryer, microwave, kettle, fridge, freezer, cutlery, plates and cups.

We have on site parking that is shared with the other businesses in the building. We are also located along several bus routes and close to many more. You can also walk to Assembly House from town in 20-25 minutes, and from Burley in 20 minutes.

HOW TO APPLY

We welcome applications from any artist who fits the broad definition of early career. We are always interested to hear from artists who may have had a non-traditional route into creativity, or who have faced barriers to the industry. You do not have to have studied at university or have studied art at university. You do not have to be a 'professional' (earning all of your money from your art practice) but you might be! We would also like to hear from artists and creatives who feel they would benefit from the community aspects of the studio.

[To apply, please complete our short application form.](#)

This deadline to apply is Sunday 28th September 2025.

We are really interested to hear about you and your work, what interests you and what motivates you to want a studio - please don't feel that your application must be very formal or academic. We also ask that you give us enough information to assess your application. Applications with only a short sentence as an answer make it hard to understand you and your work.

If you have any questions, please send them to info@assemblyhouse.art. Please note that replies can take up to 7 days.