

### Schools Visits - Information for teachers

Fall down the rabbit hole and have your very own magical adventure!

Curiouser and curiouser! Step into Alice's shoes and have your very own magical **Adventures** in **Wonderland**!

An enchanting play experience which invites children and schools to explore Wonderland, using imagination to create their own fantastical adventure.

Follow the White Rabbit into scenes from the beloved book – splash into the pool of tears, make friends with the Cheshire Cat, have tea as the Mad Hatter, play croquet with flamingos, get lost in a card maze, and wake up back on the Riverbank, just in time for lunch!

So, don't be late, don't be late for a very important date, the adventures begin at Z-arts in April 2025, book your class trip now!

#### Additional Information

- Suitable for: Nursery to Year 3 classes the workshops are adaptive to suit
- Available for: 1, 2 or 3 classes.
- **Duration:** 60-minute immersive experience, short break, plus 60-minute creative workshop.
- **Times:** Visits commence at 10am. Option to book to stay for lunch after and spend all day at Z-arts with teacher led extension activities provided by Z-arts.
- **Includes:** Guided immersive play experience, choice of a creative workshop, and a themed activity book for each student, plus follow up activities and signposting to other related resources so you can have a class focus on Wonderland.
- **Designated lunch space:** to store belongings and eat lunch before travelling back to school
- **Pricing:** £11.50 per child with teachers included for free (groups of a minimum of 24 and a maximum of 96)
- Accessibility: Our venue is accessible to all physical and special educational needs. Please contact <a href="mailto:education@z-arts.org">education@z-arts.org</a> to discuss special arrangements for trips for pupils with additional requirements, our aim is to be able to accommodate everyone.

# What happens on your trip...

60 minutes inside 'Adventures in Wonderland' - Z-arts **interactive storytelling play space** – join one of our story explorers on a magical journey! The immersive experience is designed to inspire creativity, encourage exploration, curiosity, and imagination.

### As well as a creative workshop of your choice, choose from:

#### "A Wonderland Adventure" - Performing Arts Workshop

Step into the magical world of *Alice's Adventures in Wonderland* in this fun-filled 1-hour creative performing arts workshop designed to be adapted for children from nursery to Year 3. Through drama, movement, and storytelling, your class will explore iconic characters like the Mad Hatter, the March Hare and the Queen of Hearts, bringing their vibrant personalities to life. Followed by an exploration of story creation and role play, children will work together to create their very own whimsical tea party scene.

# Learning Objectives and links to English Curriculum:

- **Speaking and Listening:** Developing spoken language skills through role-play and group discussion.
- **Storytelling and Sequencing:** Creating and recounting events in the correct order.
- **Descriptive Language:** Using adjectives, verbs, and adverbs to bring characters and settings to life.
- **Imagination and Creativity:** Engaging with a story context to generate ideas.

#### OR

#### "Creatures of Wonderland": Arts & Craft Workshop

• Join us for a hands-on creative exploration in this 1-hour arts workshop, designed to be adapted for children from nursery to Year 3. Through imaginative tactile activities, your class will explore the vibrant world of Wonderland, develop fin motor skills and use colour, pattern and shapes to craft some curious creature ears! Children can choose from the March Hare or The Cheshire Cat that can be used to dress up for creative play.

#### Learning Objectives and links to Art Curriculum:

- **Exploring Materials:** Experimenting with textures, colors, and shapes.
- **Creating and Designing:** Crafting a wearable piece of art inspired by a character.
- **Expressing Ideas:** Using art to reflect personality and imagination.
- **Evaluating and Reflecting:** Discussing the creative process and sharing outcomes.

# **Booking Information**

- Schools and nurseries can book for groups of 24 to 96 pupils.
- Log in or create an account to book online and secure your chosen date to visit Z-arts.
- A proforma invoice will be sent to your school within 10 days once you have booked online.

# **Pricing Options**

- 1. Play Experience and Workshop Package (£11.50 per pupil):
  - a. Includes a 60-minute immersive play experience
  - b. Includes a 60-minute creative workshop of your choice (performing arts or arts & craft workshop)
  - c. Each pupil receives a free Adventures in Wonderland activity booklet
- 2. Play Experience Only (£10.00 per pupil):
  - a. For the 60-minute immersive play experience without the workshop or activity booklet.

# **Important Notes**

• Once a booking is confirmed, no refunds will be issued for pupils unable to attend on the day.

We look forward to welcoming your group to an exciting and engaging experience!





# Schedule of the Day

#### Option 1 - For one class

10am - 11am - Tour of Exhibition

11am - 11:20am - Break

11:20am - 12:20pm - Creative Workshop

12:20pm - Option to stay for lunch and extend your visit

#### Option 2 - For two classes

10am - 11am - Group 1: Tour of Exhibition / Group 2: Creative Workshop

11am - 11:20am- Break

11:20am - 12:20pm - Group 1: Creative Workshop / Group 2: Tour of Exhibition

12:20pm - Option to stay for lunch and extend your visit

#### Option 3 - For three classes

10am - 10:50am - **Group 1:** Tour of Exhibition **Group 2:** Creative Workshop 1 **Group 3:** Creative Workshop 2

10:50am - 11:10am- Break

11:10am - 12pm - **Group 1:** Creative Workshop 1 / **Group 2:** Creative Workshop 2 / **Group 3:** Tour of Exhibition.

12pm - 12:30pm - Lunch

12:30pm - 1:20pm - **Group 1:** Creative Workshop 2 / **Group 2:** Tour of Exhibition / Group **3:** Creative Workshop 1

# Follow-Up Classroom Activities

Teachers can use Z-arts' Wonderland immersive experience as a creative foundation to extend learning and exploration into their classrooms, combining art, storytelling, and movement to create a vibrant educational experience.

- Create your own classroom Wonderland: Use the provided activity sheet to craft a
  rose garden-inspired bunting or make oversized playing cards, whimsical tea party
  props, and Cheshire Cat-inspired artwork to transform your classroom into a magical
  Wonderland.
- **Drama and Role-Playing**: Recreate favorite scenes from *Alice's Adventures in Wonderland*, or have students invent their own Wonderland-inspired stories to act out.
- **Creative Writing and Art**: Students can write letters to the Queen of Hearts or draw their version of the Mad Hatter's tea party.

# Additional Resources to Deepen Engagement

- Royal Ballet and Opera House Resources: Explore *Alice's Adventures in Wonderland*-themed immersive workshops and lesson plans, blending storytelling, music, and movement. View the resources here.
- **BBC Teach: Time to Move Alice in Wonderland**: Bring Wonderland themes to life through creative dance and movement activities. Access the materials <a href="here">here</a>.
- **BBC iPlayer Alice in Wonderland Film**: Show pupils the classic tale to inspire further creative discussions and projects. Watch it <u>here</u>.
- **Macmillan Children's Books**: Dive into beautifully illustrated editions of *Alice's Adventures in Wonderland*, pull-out prints, and activity guides to support art and storytelling in class. Explore their resources <a href="here">here</a>.

With these activities and resources, you can immerse students in the whimsical world of Wonderland while fostering creativity and critical thinking.

If you have any questions about your visit or anything else, please reach out to us via email at <a href="mailto:education@z-arts.org">education@z-arts.org</a>