



## Bringing art to life

As part of its *Friday Focus* programme Leamington Spa Art Gallery & Museum is introducing a series of lunchtime talks by trained arts describers that will bring some of the most popular exhibits to life.

Several Art Gallery & Museum staff are undertaking specialist training in order to present engaging and dynamic audio descriptions of the artworks. Each event will focus on a specific artwork including a 10 minute talk to provide the context for the piece and an audio description of the artwork's form, colour, subject matter and mood. The talks aim to offer people with visual impairments opportunities to access the Art Gallery & Museum's collections as well as providing visitors with a fresh perspective on the artworks.

On Friday 26 February at 1pm, Head Gallery Assistant Roz Crampton will give an audio description of Bernard Trevorrow Ninnes' (1899 – 1971) painting, *Boat Builders Shop, St Ives*. This will be followed by a ten minute talk about the painting.

Roz said 'I have really enjoyed learning to describe the artworks bringing them to life through detailed description within the story of the piece. I hope that the talks will be enjoyed by everyone and will help more people to appreciate the artworks.'

You can drop in for a Friday Focus on Fridays at 1pm, the event is free and there is no need to book. For further information and a programme please call 01926 742700 or visit the Royal Pump Rooms website, [www.warwickdc.gov.uk/royalpumprooms](http://www.warwickdc.gov.uk/royalpumprooms)

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