

A photograph of a lively outdoor courtyard at The Story Museum. The courtyard is paved with light-colored stone and is filled with people of various ages. Several large blue umbrellas are open, providing shade. The background features brick buildings with colorful windows (green and blue). A young boy in the foreground is wearing a black t-shirt with 'GECKO' and 'www.geckoschools.com' printed on it. The overall atmosphere is bright and social.

THE STORY MUSEUM

VENUE HIRE

"If you want a city-centre venue full of character,
with friendly and supportive staff, look no further."

Venue Hire Client

A WARM WELCOME

A group of people, including a young woman in a black top and a man in a striped shirt, are clapping and smiling. They are holding brown paper bags. The background is a brick building with a window showing green plants. A blue diagonal bar is at the bottom left.

'One of the guiding principles we follow as an organisation is *offering a warm welcome and a satisfied goodbye*. Whether you're looking for an inspiring space for a networking event, or to celebrate a milestone birthday, we're ready to warmly welcome you and your guests here at The Story Museum.'

Hannah Floate, Hospitality & Events Manager at The Story Museum

The background image shows a large, dimly lit room with a theatrical or forest-themed decor. Large, textured tree trunks are positioned on the left and right sides. The floor is covered with a patterned rug. Rows of dark wooden chairs are arranged in the space. In the background, there are colorful curtains and a stage area with a microphone stand. The overall atmosphere is magical and inspiring.

FLEXIBLE SPACES

Our award-winning Museum provides an inspiring backdrop for you and your guests, with the flexibility to make every event your own.

Planning a poetry reading? No problem. A 50th birthday celebration? Leave it to us. A meeting or a learning session? We've got you covered. Whatever the occasion, talk to our team about bringing your event to life—delivered seamlessly and with the touch of story magic we're known and loved for.

"A fantastic venue which inspires creativity from the moment you walk through the door. The welcome was warm and the hosting flawless."

Venue Hire client, 2024

FOOD & DRINK

Complement our unique, imaginative spaces with excellent food and drink. Whether you're hosting a conference, celebration, networking event or private gathering, we'll provide everything you need to create a seamless, memorable and truly enchanting experience.

Licensing

We are licensed to serve alcohol and host live entertainment, and our front-of-house team can run a bar throughout your event.

For drinks receptions, we offer a range of alcoholic and soft drinks to suit every guest.

Catering

Our flexible catering options are designed to suit a variety of event styles and budgets. To discover our daytime packages, [download the Catering Menu from our website](#).

For evening events, choose from a tempting selection of drinks and canapés. [Download our Drinks & Nibbles Menu for full details](#).

From light refreshments and networking receptions to full evening celebrations, our team will work with you to tailor the catering perfectly to your event.

We use locally sourced ingredients from local suppliers wherever possible. And, with proceeds from all our events and parties going to support our charitable mission, you can celebrate knowing you're helping more young people across our region benefit from the power of stories.

THE WOODSHED



Lined with upcycled wooden doors, The Woodshed is a warm and informal space perfect for live events of all kind. The theatre has retractable raked seating, but can also be set up with tables and chairs, as well as theatre lights and PA system.

Capacity

105 (benched seating)
68 (tables and chairs)
120 (standing)

Prices(Excluding VAT)*

Full day hire: £625
Half day hire: £425
Evening: £625
Extra hour: £130

Ideal for:

Performances, lectures, presentations, workshops, conferences, and receptions.

*Additional charge may apply for technical support.

THE MAGIC COMMON ROOM



Our Magic Common Room has been inspired by Hogwarts with permission from Bloomsbury Books. The room can be set out with tables and chairs and is fully equipped with digital smart board, not to mention squashy, cosy armchairs!

Capacity:
36 (tables and chairs)
50 (rows of chairs)
60 (standing)

Prices (**Excluding VAT**)
Full day: £575
Half day: £425
Evening: £600
Extra Hour: £130

Ideal for:
Events, intimate performances, workshops, training,

THE LINK ROOM



A bright, spacious, oblong-shaped room, supplied with tables, chairs and projector screen. Perfect for meetings, classes or workshops. The space is lined with windows providing an excellent view of The Story Museum's beautiful skyline mural.

Capacity:
30 (tables and chairs)
45 (rows of chairs)

Prices (**Excluding VAT**)
Full Day £425
Half Day £295
Evening £450
Extra Hour £115

Ideal for:
Meetings, training, presentations, workshops,
conferences

* Please enquire about prices for shorter day or evening rates

THE TRIANGLE



Just like the name says, this is a small triangular-shaped room, perfect for small meetings of up to 10 people or 1-1 tutoring. The room comes equipped with a digital display screen.

Capacity:

10 (tables and chairs)

Prices (Excluding VAT)

Full Day: £250

Half Day: £160

Evening: +£50 on existing hire

Extra hour: £75 (daytime)

Ideal for:

Smaller meetings, training, presentations & workshops

THE LITTLE LINK ROOM



Perfect for a small meeting, training sessions or presentations. Please note this space isn't always accessible via lift. Contains screen accessible via HDMI cable.

Capacity:
20 (tables and chairs)

Prices (**Excluding VAT**)

Full Day:£350

Half Day:£225

Evening: £425

Extra hour: £95

Ideal for:

Smaller meetings, training, presentations & workshops

THE WHISPERING WOOD



* Please note the Whispering Wood is only available outside Museum opening hours



Step inside our Whispering Wood - a mysterious indoor forest. The room can be transformed with atmospheric lighting and dining tables and chairs. Perfect for private functions, presentations and evening dinners in the most unusual setting.*

Capacity:
68 (seated with tables and chairs)
90 (standing)

Prices (**Excluding VAT**)

Evening:£675
Extra hour:£125

Ideal for:
Evening dinners, networking events, receptions and birthday celebrations.

THE COURTYARD



Decorated with a spiral motif and overlooked by our amazing blue sky mural, our courtyard is the perfect space for large events and gatherings. Situated adjacent to our cafe and kitchens, it's ideal for summer parties and functions.*

Capacity:120

Prices (Excluding VAT)
From £400

Ideal for:
Outdoor events, parties, live performances, networking events

* Please note the Courtyard is only available outside Museum opening hours

THE ALICE ROOM



Situated next to our café, this space is themed around Alice's Adventures in Wonderland, and is perfect for small meetings of up to 10 people.

Capacity: 10

Prices (Excluding VAT)

Full Day:£200

Half Day:£145

Evening:n/a

Extra Hour:£45 (daytime)

Ideal for:

Small group sessions, interviews, meetings.

* Please note The Alice Room does not have an AV screen

THE CAFE



If you're looking for a dining space that will leave an impression on your guests then look no further. Themed around many of the classic stories that feature in our exhibitions, our cafe has ground floor access and the use of the kitchen makes it an ideal space for private functions and parties.*

Capacity: 60

Prices: (**Excluding-VAT**)

On request

Ideal for:

Private dining, parties

* Please note the Café is only available outside Museum opening hours

CONTACT US

Ready to book? Email the events team for more information, to discuss your options or book a tour.
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The Story Museum is a registered charity (1107809). All proceeds from our venue hires support our work to enrich lives through stories.

