

RIVERHOUSE BARN

ARTS CENTRE

walton on thames

COVID-19 STATEMENT 19 JULY 2021

As of 19th July, when most legal restrictions to control COVID-19 will be lifted, we want to update you on how we plan to move forward at The Riverhouse Barn. We recognise that the easing of restrictions can bring with it a level of anxiety and so, in line with Government and NHS guidelines, we will move forward cautiously. The safety of our audiences, visitors performers, volunteers, and staff remains of utmost importance to us. We will therefore:

- Require all staff and volunteers to wear a mask while inside the building. We ask our visitors to respect each other and us by continuing to wear face coverings in the auditorium, Robert Phillips Gallery and around the building, unless exempt or whilst eating and drinking.
- Restrict audience numbers to 50% capacity and seat people in groups of six or less to minimise risk of contact with those they do not usually live with.
- Ensure adequate ventilation and airflow by continuing to keep doors and windows open during performances and gallery opening times.
- Continue with enhanced cleaning procedures throughout the venue.
- Continue to encourage the use of hand sanitiser by providing sanitiser stations throughout the building.
- Continue to display the NHS Track and Trace QR code at entrances to the venue and require visitors to either scan in or complete a paper contact form.
- Ask people who are feeling unwell or displaying COVID symptoms not to enter the venue.
- Continue to use cashless transaction systems wherever possible.

We will keep reviewing our safety measures and government advice as we move to a more 'normal' life. We understand that everyone has different views on social distancing and the wearing of face coverings, and we ask that you respect others.