

The Bluecoat Gift Guide 2025

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Gifts from the Bluecoat

Looking for the perfect gift for the art lover in your life? Explore our range of artist commissions and Bluecoat merchandise, inspired by our rich heritage.



£15

Bluecoat x Jade de Montserrat Keep Cup

Celebrate the Bluecoat's garden with artist **Jade de Montserrat**'s reusable cup, featuring her floral paintings, created exclusively for the Bluecoat. Double-walled for hot or cold drinks, BPA-free, fully recyclable, and made in the UK. Includes spill-proof and standard lids, as well as microwave- and dishwasher-safe options, making it perfect for everyday use.

Cherubs of the Bluecoat Tote Bag

Wear a piece of the Bluecoat's history with our colourful Tote Bag, featuring nine hand-drawn cherubs inspired by the 18th-century ornamentation above the Bluecoat's windows. Printed in South Wales from 100% GOTS organic cotton, eco-friendly, vegan, and ethically produced, perfect for carrying your essentials in style.



£12



Monster Hands Joanne Masding Magnets

Gift a piece of a past Bluecoat exhibition with **Joanne Masding's** limited-edition ceramic magnets. Inspired by the claw shape of Monster Munch crisps, and taken from her 2025 exhibition, each unique pair is individually numbered and securely packaged. A perfect gift for art lovers.

Ellie Hoskins T-Shirt

Created exclusively for the Bluecoat, these limited-edition t-shirts feature brand-new designs by Liverpool artist **Ellie Hoskins**. Made from high-quality and ethically sourced materials, it's a fun, wearable piece of art.



Bluecoat Members receive a 20% discount on selected items within our shop, including new artist editions. Each purchase helps to support our mission to bring art to everyone.

A gift that gives back

Struggling to find the perfect gift for the art lover who has everything?

A Bluecoat Membership is the perfect present for any creative in your life. Enjoy a year of exclusive exhibition previews, discounted events, and more. A thoughtful, festive gift that supports accessible arts for all.

When you become a Bluecoat Member, you're supporting those who face barriers to seeing and making art, including local children and learning disabled artists here in Liverpool.



Member-Benefits:

- Exclusive set of postcards inspired by our archive
- 10% discount at the Bluecoat Café
- 20% discount on selected Bluecoat merchandise
- Members' newsletter with updates on the impact of your support
- Priority booking for selected events and early access to merchandise
- Invitation to members-only events with complimentary drinks
- Limited-edition Bluecoat pin badge



**Scan the QR code to purchase today
or sign up on our website:
thebluecoat.org.uk/join-us**

Festive Storytelling with Father Christmas

Join Father Christmas at one of his favourite places, the Bluecoat for a 60-minute storytelling session filled with giggles, noise and nonsense. You'll even get to meet Father Christmas and take a photo, with the help of a friendly elf.

“Entertaining for children and grown-ups alike, a fantastic experience!”

–Previous attendee

**Multiple dates between
Sat 29 Nov – Tue 23 Dec**

**General ticket: £13
Family ticket: £47**

Relaxed performances are available on selected dates, providing a comfortable experience for those who may find traditional theatre settings challenging.

thebluecoat.org.uk/christmas



Shop handmade & local this Christmas

Discover special gifts carefully crafted by makers and small businesses in our creative community.



£20

Northern Soul Dance T-Shirt

Discover T-shirts and stickers inspired by music, including this piece from Stu Harrison's Northern Soul Dance collection. Working as Lord Beastly, he blends street art, graffiti, and club culture to capture the energy, excitement, and vibrant spirit of the dance music scene.

📷 @lordbeastly1

📷 @stu.art.biz



£26

Bluecoat, Cotton Lawn Scarf

This scarf showcases an original watercolour by Siobhan Harrison, a professional illustrator with globally licensed artwork. Carefully crafted in the UK, her designs have earned multiple awards, including two Gift of the Year 2020 shortlistings, making this a truly special accessory.

📷 @siobhanataprillrose

🖱️ siobhanataprillrose.com

£38



Misty Roses Organic Cotton Skinny Scarf

A rose that never wilts, this versatile scarf features two illustrated roses connected by a central rose bush. Made from high-quality organic cotton with vibrant, carefully chosen colours, it can be styled as a neck scarf, choker, hair bow, belt, or tie.

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Available In-store and Online

£15

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 aldousbooks.co.uk

Photosynthesis Long Sleeve T-Shirt

Show your love for plants with the Photosynthesis long-sleeve tee. Super soft and made from 100% GOTS Organic Cotton, Earth Positive compact spun fabric, it's perfect for plant enthusiasts. Visit Root at The Bluecoat for plants, merch, and all your botanical needs.

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 root-houseplants.com

£30



Curated Makers at the Bluecoat

The Bluecoat welcomes Curated Makers, a festive pop-up celebrating over 50 independent creators with unique, handcrafted gifts this Christmas.



Curated Makers have opened a special pop-up for the festive season, featuring over 50 small businesses and independent makers. The store showcases a thoughtfully curated selection of products – from hand-poured candles and original artwork to unique gifts, cards, treats and more, all lovingly crafted by talented independent makers. More opportunity for you to shop small and find something truly unique this Christmas at the Bluecoat.

Open Sat 25 Oct, 25 – Sun 11 Jan, 26

Follow Curated Makers:

 **@curatedmakers**
 **curatedmakers.co.uk**

'Tis the season to get creative



Treat yourself to trying something new and make your own gifts and decorations this Christmas.



Pop Art Portraits with Screen Printing

Sat 22 Nov, 11am – 5pm
£70 , materials included

Create your own Pop Art Portrait in this one-day screen printing course. Suitable for beginners, transform your favourite image into a Warhol-inspired print, learning UV stencil and colour techniques, and take home your unique, hand-printed artwork.



Festive Wreath Workshop

Sun 23 Nov, 1–3pm
£60 , materials included

Get into the festive spirit with a seasonal wreath workshop led by artist **Gemma Longworth**. Using decorations and fresh foliage, you'll create a beautiful, ready-to-hang wreath. Perfect for beginners and experienced crafters.



Festive Cyanotype Baubles

**Sat 29 Nov, 11am–1pm & 2–4pm
£25, materials included**

In this 2-hour session, create cyanotype paper ornaments using premade outlines and a variety of festive textures. Expose and dry your designs, then assemble each ornament and finish with a ribbon hanger, resulting in unique, handcrafted decorations to take home.



Collage Your Christmas Cards

**Tue 2 Dec, 5.30–7pm
£3, booking required**

Join our festive Christmas card workshop and personalise sustainable cards using collage. Perfect for beginners, bring old cards or gift bags to recycle, or use provided materials. Create unique, eco-friendly cards to share with loved ones this holiday season.

Book today: thebluecoat.org.uk/whatson

If you're an aspiring printmaker, become a Bluecoat Artist Member today and enjoy exclusive benefits, including 10% off workshops and courses, member-only print sessions, priority booking for events and more! Annual membership is £50.

Learn more: thebluecoat.org.uk/artist-membership

Just Browsing

Explore our current exhibition, featuring work by 12 incredible artists, and take home something special.



Just Browsing is a group exhibition that invites audiences to get hands-on with artworks. The show features textile sculptures, ceramic works, clothing and more that can be touched, worn, and bought to take home.

Artists Include: **Bruce Asbestos, Ffion Evans, Garth Gratrix, Ivy Kalungi, Lou Miller and Felicity Rowley, Sufea Mohamad Noor, Lewis Prosser, Ben Saunders, Daniel Sean Kelly, Chester Tenneson, and Carla Wright.**

Explore the works of art available to purchase today.



Ffion Evans Holdables

Knit, felt and hand-finished sculptures. Designed to be held and squeezed, these textile works also release a calming lavender scent.

£18 each



Daniel Sean Kelly Earthenware ceramic jug

These playful jugs feature a dysfunctional spout and handle, exploring the sculptural properties of objects and how that contributes to their functionality.

£80 each



Bruce Asbestos 'Hooboo and Octopus' t-shirts

These wearable artworks feature two character designs from Asbestos, whose work blurs the lines between pop culture, art and fashion.

£15 each



Chester Tenneson 'Dance with me, don't dance with me' t-shirt

Slogan t-shirts. Used in a performance, these bold and playful designs are inspired by overly staged fashion adverts on social media.

£25 each



Ben Saunders 'Trans bodies are beautiful and sacred' t-shirt

Saunders often makes work for and about the trans community. This design features a positive and affirming message of support and empowerment.

£18 each

**Just Browsing is open until
Sun 8 Feb 2026**

**Tue – Sun, 11am – 5pm
Free entry**

**Learn more:
thebluecoat.org.uk/just-browsing**

Christmas at the Bluecoat



There is plenty to see and do this Christmas here in the heart of Liverpool. Enjoy seasonal food in our cafe, creative workshops and explore our exhibitions.

From the Bluecoat Cafe

Get into the festive mood with a delicious pigs in blankets roll or truffled brussel sprouts lovingly prepared by our Head Chef.

Our cafe is open:

Tue – Sat, 10am – 5pm

Sun, 11am – 5pm

*the cafe stops serving food at 3.30pm, and hot drinks at 4pm



Festive Season Opening Times

Open every day Tue 16 – Tue 23 Dec

Closed Wed 24, Thu 25 & Fri 26 Dec

Open Sat 27 – Tue 30 Dec

Closed Wed 31 Dec and Thu 1 Jan

Open as normal from Fri 2 Jan

Building opens, Tue – Sat, 10am – 5pm & Sun, 11am – 5pm

Gallery opens, Tue – Sun, 11am – 5pm