
CRESCENT ARTS SCARBOROUGH CHANGING ROOMS



SATURDAY 8TH JULY – SUNDAY 30TH JULY 2017

Fridays – Sundays 11.00am – 4.00pm

**An exhibition of design proposals by
Leeds Beckett University's School of Architecture: Project Office**

**A new home and centre for creativity for Crescent Arts
in Scarborough's South Bay**



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and at other times by appointment.

***CHANGING ROOMS** is a display of design proposals by Leeds Beckett University's School of Architecture: Project Office, created especially for Crescent Arts, to develop a brand new beach-side visual arts, creativity and education resource in the disused sun bathing building near The Spa Complex in Scarborough's South Bay.*

CHANGING ROOMS 1

Leeds Beckett University's School of Architecture: Project Office

Saturday 8th July: 2.00pm – 4.00pm

Craig Stott, Senior Lecturer and Co-Director of Project Office, with a select group of architecture students from Leeds Beckett University, will present design proposals for a new visual arts and creativity centre by the beach that will also provide a spectacular new home for Crescent Arts. All are welcome to the exhibition opening and informal drop-in session.

CHANGING ROOMS 2 + 3

Friday 28th July & Saturday 29th July: 12.30pm – 2.00pm

Crescent Arts' Director, Stuart Cameron, presents an overview of the project and our ideas for a brand new beach-side visual arts, creativity and education resource that we hope to develop as an inspiring new home for Crescent Arts. Join in the conversation and tell us what you think. All are welcome.

Crescent Arts, supported by Scarborough Borough Council, is working on plans to transform the area known as 'Children's Corner' on Scarborough's South Bay near The Spa Complex. The sunbathing building next to the Cliff Lift has been sadly neglected since closing about 25 years ago and we want to restore the building and, better still, develop it as a beach-side arts and creative activity centre. A new resource for residents and visitors alike offering creative activities by the beach for all ages and abilities - exhibitions, workshops, film screenings, performances, talks, social events. Creative rock poolers, beach combers, sand sculptors, silver surfers – discover hidden talents and be inspired by resident artists working in the coastal environment.

Leeds Beckett University's School of Architecture: Project Office have taken a positive look at Scarborough, what it offers and its extraordinary potential. We gave Project Office and their students a free hand to research and come up with a range of exciting and imaginative design proposals. The exhibition **CHANGING ROOMS** at Crescent Arts presents the best of these ideas, spanning a refreshingly broad range of architectural approaches and inspiring concepts. The proposals look at relationships between site, building and surrounding landscape, access from all parts of the town, environmental sustainability, sympathetic (yet imaginative) use of building materials - not forgetting practical considerations such as the weather!



The sunbathing building, South Bay, Scarborough, Photograph Crescent Arts 2017

Scarborough's South Bay has long attracted residents and visitors alike, dating as far back as the 17th century, making Scarborough the first seaside resort in Britain. The Victorian landscaped gardens of South Cliff are a superb heritage and conservation asset of which we can be justly proud. It's a major attraction for visitors who can enjoy the traditions that Britain's oldest resort combines with its distinctive creative flair and more than a dash of contemporary seaside style. The architecture of South Bay has evolved over the years, with the construction of the cliff bridge in 1827 and the cliff lift in 1875, while the unique sunbathing building at 'Children's Corner' was added in the early 20th century.

Who will benefit? We want to support the next 'creative generation' to energise the town and promote further regeneration and wellbeing. Artists and makers living and working in the Borough will have access to facilities, expertise and a new outlet for their work. Wider communities and residents can take advantage of new creative, leisure and educational facilities with inspiring beach-side activities led by the best artistic talent from the region. We aspire to be a major cultural destination for visitors to Scarborough, contributing to its creative economy and further prosperity.

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South Bay, Scarborough, Photograph Crescent Arts 2017

We hope you'll share our enthusiasm and aspirations to build an inspiring new visual arts, creative and education centre by the beach as a great resource for Scarborough.

Crescent Arts invites you to view the design proposals in the exhibition CHANGING ROOMS and tell us what you think. We'll be on hand at the exhibition to discuss our ideas with you.

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