

Fringe Arts Bath

Background and history



Fringe Arts Bath (FAB) is part of the internationally renowned **Bath Fringe Festival**. **FAB** is a not-for-profit, artist-led organisation which aims to make contemporary art visible and accessible to everyone in Bath and the surrounding region. **FAB** is run on an entirely voluntary basis, with all funds raised going directly to support each year's programme.

We aim to raise the profile of contemporary art in the Bath area, showcasing early-career artists and curators, and those who find it difficult to break into (or prefer to operate outside of) the gallery-based art scene.

Our annual programme stages shows and events in unconventional spaces (such as retail units), as well as tempting the viewer into less familiar places, such as Walcot Chapel and The Octagon. We enjoy an ongoing and very positive relationship with **Milsom Place**, who allow us the use of the magnificent Octagon on Milsom Street amongst other spaces, and **Bath and North East Somerset Council** who give us access to empty Council properties.

Bath Fringe Festival has been delighting residents and visitors alike for over 25 years with its mixture of music, cabaret, street performance and art events. The Visual Arts programme has been running since 1991 and is part of the critical mass that makes **Bath Fringe Festival** one of the South West's leading cultural events.

The Visual Arts programme regularly attracts over **2,000** visitors. The main **Fringe Festival** attracts upwards of 25,000 visitors.



FAB 2009: Swansea MA group show at Walcot Chapel.



FAB 2009: "Neither but Both" group show, Milsom Place.



FAB 2009: Bath MA group show at The Octagon, Milsom St.



FAB 2009: "Domestic Fantastic" L-R red chair, little deer



FAB 2009: Rose Popay solo show, Milsom Place.



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