

31st December 2020

Dear Artists

Covid-19: Tier 4 - Stay At Home Non-Essential Retail Closure

THE ART YARD gallery & studio

Sandwell MBC has been placed into Covid-19 Tier 4 imposing a closure on all Non-Essential retail outlets and entertainment venues, such as galleries.

This will affect the advertised Open Art Exhibition due to begin on **11th January 2021** at The Art Yard which must close. We apologise to those of you who have planned to enter your work into the show and unfortunately at this time we are unable to give date for our first 2021 exhibition.

Collection of work

Unfortunately Tier 4 closure means that unless there are compassionate grounds to do otherwise the collection of work held over at TAY is curtailed until further notice. However, the volunteer team ask you to get in touch by email should you have compelling reasons to collect unsold work and safe arrangements can be implemented.

Premiere of Cradley Heath Green Landscapes project

The Tier 4 restrictions also affect the timing of the premiere for the Green Landscapes project led by Martyn Harris which will be carried over to a date to be fixed.

Finally

The team will continue to respond to your email contacts and to your messages and posts on social media. Please contact the team at any time to discuss any concerns.

Kind regards

The Art Yard team