

Art and Theatre in Bristol (400 words)

Along with its reputation for great nights out and live music events, one of the things that makes Bristol stand out on the map is its rich creative culture. These are some of the prime places to visit for a bit of creative indulgence:



Bristol Old Vic

This theatre is an iconic figure in the city's cultural landscape. The Old Vic offers an ever-changing schedule of theatrical performances, including a wide range of both classic plays and new writing, as well as a number of comedy, dance and spoken word performances.



Spike Island

As a company, Spike Island put the artist at the heart of everything they do. As well as exhibiting an abundant mix of contemporary artworks, the gallery and studio space provides Bristol-based artists the opportunity to grow their creative skills and community. Spike Island also work to support UWE graduate artists and are known to feature their pieces in exhibitions, all of which are free entry.

Wake The Tiger

As a creative venue, Wake The Tiger takes the concept of immersive art to the next level. Inside the renovated warehouse, visitors are guided through a series of magical neon worlds that are packed with sensory stimuli. If you've ever wanted to explore steam-punk cities or walk through underground fairy grottos, this is the place for it.



The Tobacco Factory

The Tobacco Factory theatre hosts a huge number of dramatic performances every year, with a focus on providing a platform for independent theatre companies and new writing productions. The theatre is popular with student actors and those eager to see theatre that pushes creative boundaries.

The Loco Klub

Transforming the once desolate space by Temple Meads station, the Loco Klub is a buzzing hub of creativity. The venue hosts evening events directed by creatives from across the UK, including stunning queer performance art, drag shows, arthouse movie screenings and other alternative and artsy activities that are not to be missed.



Flying Saucers

If you're looking for something more relaxed, Flying Saucers in Clifton offers a cosy place to enjoy some pottery painting. Flying Saucers is a favourite amongst students and families alike- go with a group of friends and spend a quiet afternoon chatting and decorating. The members of staff will then glaze and bake your creation, ready for your collection within the week.