

# Fresh News

## “Closed but open”: COVID-19

Over 500 museums, galleries, and exhibitions can be toured virtually through Google Arts & Culture ([artsandculture.google.com](https://artsandculture.google.com)), including the British Museum in London, the Rijksmuseum in Amsterdam, the J. Paul Getty Museum in Los Angeles, the Musée d’Orsay in Paris, the National Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art in Seoul, and the Museu de Arte de São Paulo.

In the UK, AMA has been gathering resources to support the arts, culture, and heritage sector through COVID-19, flagging free seminars and sector resources: <https://www.a-m-a.co.uk/coronavirus-covid-19-resources/>

In the USA, the American Alliance of Museums has also created a guide to help museums prepare internally and externally for outbreaks in their communities: <https://www.aam-us.org/programs/resource-library/human-resource-resources/health-in-the-workplace/>

The response on Twitter has equally been encouraging. CC will continue to update this page as more projects appear, but here are some hashtags to follow through this rapidly changing time:

### #MuseumAtHome

Follow museum institutions take visitors through virtual tours and museum professors making videos about their favourite museum artefacts from home.

### #CreativeNetwork

Launched by Voluntary Arts, this is a daily get-together on Zoom for anyone involved in arts, culture and creativity from 9:30-10:30 am GMT. Further details: <https://www.voluntaryarts.org/creativenetwork>

### #TogetherAtHome

A campaign by the World Health Organisation and Global Citizen, this campaign began after Chris Martin and John Legend livestreamed concerts from their own homes. More singers have since taken to Instagram to film livestreamed concerts, and a list of upcoming online concerts is being compiled by Billboard.

### #TheShowsMustGoOn

Renowned composer Andrew Lloyd Webber is streaming a full-length performance of his musical productions every Friday 7pm BST for free on YouTube for 48 hours.

### #NationalTheatreAtHome

National Theatre Live is streaming a different production filmed for NT Live every week on Thursdays at 7pm BST for free on YouTube.

### #OurHouseToYourHouse

The Royal Opera House is streaming a different ballet and opera production every Friday at 7pm BST for free on YouTube and Facebook.

### #CovidCulture

Follow @ArtsPro as they share opportunities to participate in remote arts during self-isolation, including Sofa Singers, a 45 minute online global choir rehearsal.

### #IsolationCreations

Launched by the Ashmolean Museum of Art and Archaeology, the Ashmolean will be posting an object from the collection a day and is asking the public for their creative responses to it.

### #quarantineartclub

Launched by illustrator Carson Ellis, a digital art club that posts exercises for children and adults every morning.

### #TheShowMustGoOnline

Set up by @robmyles, this is an online Shakespeare play reading group on Zoom, once a week.

### #HamAtHome

The Broadway sensation, *Hamilton: An American Musical*, launched a Twitter singalong in light of the closure of Broadway productions. They are preparing more digital takeovers using this hashtag.

### #dancewithdebbieallen

Renowned choreographer Debbie Allen has started dance classes on Instagram Live.

### #stayathomestorytime

Launched by children's book author Oliver Jeffers, a live reading from his books every day at 6pm GMT on Instagram Stories.

