

**gallery**[ˈgæləri] *n*

1. 1) галерея  
picture gallery - картинная галерея
- 2) крытый тир
2. галерея, портик, балкон  
railed gallery - галерея с балюстрадой
3. *театр.*
- 1) балкон, галерея, галёрка
- 2) галёрка, посетители галёрки  
to play to the gallery - а) играть, подлаживаясь под вкусы галёрки; б) искать дешёвой популярности; разводить демагогию
4. хоры  
gallery for the press - места для представителей прессы (в помещении парламента, сената)  
public gallery - места для публики (в ООН и т. п.)
5. *горн.* штрек, штольня, горизонт
6. *тех.* траншея (для кабеля и т. п.); канал (смазочный)
7. *мор.* кормовой балкон

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**gal-ery** [gallery galleries] *BrE* [ˈgæləri] <sup>u</sup> *NAmE* [ˈgæləri] <sup>e</sup> **noun** (pl.**gal-eries**)

1. a room or building for showing works of art, especially to the public
  - an art/a picture gallery
  - the National Gallery
 see also ↑art gallery
2. a small private shop/store where you can see and buy works of art
3. an upstairs area at the back or sides of a large hall where people can sit
  - Relatives of the victim watched from the public gallery as the murder charge was read out in court.
 see also ↑press gallery
4. the highest level in a theatre where the cheapest seats are
5. a long narrow room, especially one used for a particular purpose  
see also ↑shooting gallery
6. a level passage under the ground in a mine or ↑cave  
| idiom ↑play to the gallery

Word Origin:

late Middle English (in senses 5 and 6): via Old French from Italian **galleria** 'gallery', formerly also 'church porch', from medieval Latin **galeria**, perhaps an alteration of **galilea** 'Galilee'.

Culture:**art galleries and museums of art**

In Britain, works of art are displayed in art galleries and, especially outside London, in ↑museums. Shops that sell paintings are also called galleries. In the US public **art collections** are displayed in **art museums**, and a **gallery** is a place where people go to buy works of art.

Many galleries and museums in Britain and the US receive limited financial support from national or local government. Other money is raised through **admission fees**, although admission to many British museums is free, and the sale of **postcards**, **calendars**, etc. Some galleries obtain money through **sponsorship**. Many works of art are expensive and galleries can rarely buy them without organizing a public appeal or, in Britain, asking for money from the ↑National Art Collections Fund.

Visiting an art gallery is a popular leisure activity. Galleries and museums are friendlier places than they used to be. Many try to encourage children's interest in art by arranging school visits and many people make their first trip to an art museum with their school class.

The most popular galleries in Britain, all in London, are the ↑National Gallery, the ↑National Portrait Gallery, ↑Tate Britain and ↑Tate Modern. The Royal Academy's Summer Exhibition of paintings sent in by the general public also receives a lot of visitors. Sculpture attracts less attention, and though the names of Henry Moore and Barbara Hepworth are known to many people, few could describe any of their works. Well-known galleries outside London include the ↑National Gallery of Scotland in Edinburgh and the Birmingham Museum and Art Gallery.

Important art museums in the US include the ↑Metropolitan Museum of Art, the ↑Museum of Modern Art and the ↑Guggenheim Museum, all in New York, and the ↑Smithsonian Institution in Washington, DC. Most US cities and many smaller towns have art museums.

Galleries sometimes **mount exhibitions** of the paintings of one artist, e.g. Turner, that are brought together from all over the world. People are prepared to queue for a long time to see them. Many people admire **old masters**, famous works by great artists of the past, but have little interest in modern art. New works receive publicity in the **media** only when they are unusual or likely to shock people. Galleries and museums try to encourage a more positive attitude to modern art but many people remain doubtful. When the Tate displayed half a cow and its calf **rotting in formaldehyde** (= a chemical used to preserve it), the public criticized the artist, Damien Hirst. There is usually controversy about the winners of the ↑Turner Prize.

Some exhibitions bring together all kinds of art, not only paintings, from a particular time or country so that people can learn about it. Exhibitions on subjects such as the Aztecs, ↑art nouveau and the art of Turkey attract large crowds.

## Collocations:

### Fine arts

#### Creating art

**make** a work of art/a drawing/a sketch/a sculpture/a statue/engravings/etchings/prints

**do** an oil painting/a self-portrait/a line drawing/a rough sketch

**create** a work of art/an artwork/paintings and sculptures

**produce** paintings/portraits/oil sketches/his most celebrated work/a series of prints

**paint** a picture/landscape/portrait/mural/in oils/in watercolours/(*especially US*) in watercolors/on canvas

**draw** a picture/a portrait/a cartoon/a sketch/a line/a figure/the human form/in charcoal/in ink

**sketch** a preliminary drawing/a figure/a shape

**carve** a figure/an image/a sculpture/an altarpiece/reliefs/a block of wood

**sculpt** a portrait bust/a statue/an abstract figure

**etch** a line/a pattern/a design/a name into the glass

**mix** colours/(*especially US*) colors/pigments/paints

**add/apply** thin/thick layers of paint/colour/(*especially US*) color/pigment

**use** oil pastels/charcoal/acrylic paint/a can of spray paint

**work in** bronze/ceramics/stone/oils/pastels/watercolour/a wide variety of media

#### Describing art

**paint/depict** a female figure/a biblical scene/a pastoral landscape/a domestic interior

**depict/illustrate** a traditional/mythological/historical/religious theme

**create** an abstract composition/a richly textured surface/a distorted perspective

**paint** dark/rich/skin/flesh tones

**use** broad brush strokes/loose brushwork/vibrant colours/a limited palette/simple geometric forms

**develop/adopt/paint** in a stylized manner/an abstract style

#### Showing and selling art

**commission** an altarpiece/a bronze bust of sb/a portrait/a religious work/an artist to paint sth

**frame** a painting/portrait

**hang** art/a picture/a painting

**display/exhibit** modern art/sb's work/a collection/original artwork/ drawings/sculptures/a piece

**be displayed/hung** in a gallery/museum

**install/place** a sculpture in/at/on sth

**erect/unveil** a bronze/marble/life-size statue

**hold/host/mount/open/curate/see** (*especially BrE*) an exhibition/(*NAmE usually*) exhibit

**be/go on** (*BrE*) exhibition/(*NAmE*) exhibit

**feature/promote/showcase** a conceptual artist/contemporary works

**collect** African art/modern British paintings/Japanese prints

**restore/preserve** a fresco/great works of art

## Example Bank:

- He offered ten major paintings to start a national gallery of modern art.
- I found myself in a wide gallery looking down on the floor below.
- Some of his work has been exhibited by local art galleries.
- The building will provide plenty of new gallery space.
- The extension will provide 600 square metres of new gallery space.
- The packed public gallery at Teesside Crown Court erupted in a roar of approval.
- The painting is now on display at the National Gallery in London.
- There is also an extensive gallery of photos.
- There were very few people in the gallery.
- a fabulous gallery housing the work of major artists
- a gallery specializing in ceramics

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Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

**gal | le | ry** **W3** /'gæləri/ *BrE* <sup>ˈ</sup> *AmE* <sup>ˈ</sup> **noun** (plural **galleries**) [countable]

[Date: 1400-1500; Language: Medieval Latin; Origin: galeria, perhaps from galilaea 'small room for praying in inside a church', probably from Galilaea 'Galilee', area in Palestine where Christ traveled and taught]

1.

a) a large building where people can see famous pieces of art:

an exhibition of African art at the Hayward Gallery

b) a small privately owned shop or ↑studio where you can see and buy pieces of art

2.

a) an upper floor or ↑balcony built on an inner wall of a hall, theatre, or church, from which people can watch a performance, discussion etc:

the public gallery in Congress

**in the gallery**

We could only afford seats up in the gallery.

b) **the gallery** the people sitting in a gallery

3. **play to the gallery** to do or say something just because you think it will please people and make you popular

4. a level passage under the ground in a mine or ↑cave

⇒ ↑press gallery, ↑shooting gallery

## COLLOCATIONS

### ■ ADJECTIVES/NOUN + gallery

- **an art gallery** a guide to the city's museums and art galleries
- **a picture/portrait gallery** The picture gallery is full of treasures.
- **a private gallery** (=owned by a private person) The portrait was to be sold to a private gallery in the United States.
- **the national gallery** (=owned by the country) Edinburgh has three national galleries.

### ■ verbs

- **visit/go to a gallery** The children visited the gallery on a school trip.
- **a painting hangs in a gallery** Many of her pictures hang in the National Gallery of Canada.
- **a gallery is showing/exhibiting something** The gallery is showing a series of watercolour works.
- **exhibit something in/at a gallery** It was the first time that the paintings had been exhibited in a gallery.

### ■ gallery + NOUN

- **gallery space** (=area for displaying art ) She exhibited her work in the gallery space of the Institute of Art and Technology.

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Frequency Pack

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gallery <sup>6707</sup>

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