

Access Statement

D.H. Lawrence Birthplace Museum

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Introduction

The D.H. Lawrence Birthplace Museum is a small late 19th century terraced house on a sloping street in a residential part of the ex-mining town of Eastwood, Nottinghamshire. The museum is shown by guided tours and takes the visitor through the house, exhibition rooms, outside yard and washhouse. The rooms are small and dimly lit and the building is not fully physically accessible. Only the pantry, parlour and kitchen are on the ground floor of the museum and access to these rooms still requires some assistance. There is a gift shop on site selling D.H. Lawrence souvenirs and locally produced jewellery and crafts.

Our staff are friendly, welcoming, highly trained and motivated to ensure each visitor experiences the highest quality of services.

Opening Times

- The venue is open 10:00 till 16:00 Tuesday to Saturday
- The venue is closed Monday's and Bank Holiday's.
- **Admission is by guided tour only, please ring ahead to book. We are also sometimes closed due to group tours so it is essential to call ahead and book a ticket to guarantee availability.**
- The venue is situated within the centre of the town.
- This venue is situated in Eastwood.
- There is not a bus stop within 150m (164yds) of the venue.
- The nearest mainline station is Langley Mill.

Parking

- The venue does not have its own car park.
- There is a car park for public use within 200m (approx).
- The name of the car park is Scargill Walk.
- The car park is located off Scargill Walk.
- The car park is pay and display.
- The first hour is free and payment is required for any stay over 1 hour.
- The car park has 2 bays for Blue Badge holders.
- The bays are 610cm x 310cm.



Outside Access (Main Entrance)

- This information is for the entrance located on Victoria Street.
- There is not level access into the venue.
- The main doors open away from you (push).
- The doors are single width.
- The doors are heavy.
- The door opening is 92cm (3ft 0in) wide.
- There are steps to access this area / service.
- The steps are located at the entrance.
- There is / are 1 step(s) to the area / service.
- The steps are clearly marked.

- The steps are medium.
- The steps do not have handrails.



Outside Access (Courtyard Entrance)

- This information is for the entrance located off Victoria Street.
- There is level access into the venue.
- The main doors open towards you (pull).
- The doors are single width.
- The doors are heavy.
- The door opening is 91cm (2ft 12in) wide.
- This entrance leads directly into the rear courtyard.



Outside Access (Museum Courtyard Entrance)

- This information is for the entrance located off the courtyard.
- There is not level access into the venue.
- The main doors open away from you (push).

- The doors are single width.
- The doors are heavy.
- The door opening is 73cm (2ft 5in) wide.
- This entrance leads out from the main building into the rear courtyard, from where visitors can access the standard toilets and the wash room.



Level Change (Museum Courtyard Entrance)

- There are steps to access this area / service.
- The steps are located at the entrance.
- There is / are 1 step(s) to the area / service.
- The steps are clearly marked.
- The steps are medium.
- The steps do not have handrails.



Inside Access (Ground Floor - Shop)

- There is not level access to the service.
- There is a hearing assistance system.
- The system is a portable loop.
- Staff are trained to use the system.
- This venue does play background music.
- Music is played only in the shop.
- Lighting levels are bright.



Level Change (Ground Floor)

- There are steps to access this area / service.
- The steps are located at either end of the shop.
- There is one deep, well marked step that leads from the shop to the front stairs.
- There are four deep, well marked steps with handrails on the right that lead up to the ground floor rooms. .



Inside Access (Ground Floor - Rooms)

- Lighting levels are changeable depending on the brightness of the day and can be dim during dark days or winter.



Inside Access (First Floor - Rooms)

- Lighting levels are changeable depending on the brightness of the day and can be dim during dark days or winter.



Inside Access (Second Floor - Rooms)

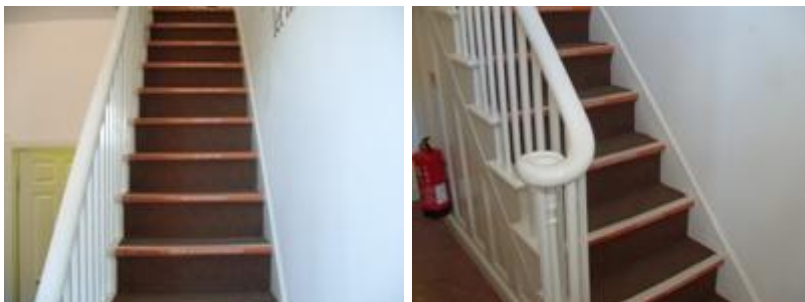
- Lighting levels are changeable depending on the brightness of the day and can be dim during dark days or winter.



Other Floors (Front)

Steps

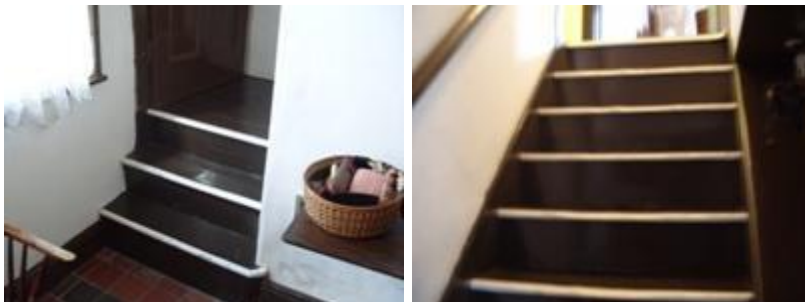
- The floors which are accessible by stairs are G-1.
- There are 15 steps between floors.
- The steps are clearly marked.
- The steps are deep.
- The steps do have handrails.
- The steps have a handrail on the left going up.
- The lighting level is bright.
- These stairs are used by visitors to access the DVD Room, the Exhibition Room and the unisex toilet located on the first floor.



Other Floors (Rear)

Steps

- The floors which are accessible by stairs are G-1-2.
- There are 15+ steps between floors.
- The steps are not clearly marked.
- The steps are deep.
- The steps do have handrails.
- The steps have a handrail on the left going up.
- There is a small landing.
- The lighting level is medium.
- The services on the floors which are not accessible are additional original rooms.



DVD Room

- The DVD Room is located on the first floor.
- There is a 12 minute DVD, with subtitles, which is included in the tour of the building.
- The DVD Room has chairs set out for visitors.
- There is also a folding chair which can be taken on the tour of the building.

- At the rear of the DVD Room, there are 3 deep, well marked steps, with handrails on the left, that lead to the original rooms on the first floor.



Exhibition Room

- There is an Exhibition Room located on the first floor which has a mixture of exhibits in glass cabinets and wall hung pictures.



Wash Room

- The wash room is located off the rear courtyard.
- It depicts the wash room in its original form.
- The wash room is accessed by a single door, which is held open, whilst the venue is open.
- There is a moderate ramp at the entrance.



Standard Toilet(s)

There are not accessible toilets but there are standard toilets within this venue designated for public use.

Access to Standard Female Toilet(s)

- The female toilets are located off the rear courtyard.
- Inside the venue, there is not level access to the female toilet.
- Lighting levels are bright.

Access to Standard Male Toilet(s)

- The male toilets are located off the rear courtyard.
- Inside the venue, there is not level access to the male toilet.
- Lighting levels are bright.

Access to Standard Unisex Toilet(s)

- The unisex toilets are located on the first floor.
- Inside the venue, there is not level access to the unisex toilet.
- Lighting levels are bright.



Level Change (Standard Toilets)

- There are steps to access this area / service.
- The steps are located at the entrance to the standard toilets.
- There is / are 1 step(s) to the area / service.
- The steps are clearly marked.
- The steps are shallow.
- The steps do not have handrails.
- There is one step at the entrance to both the standard male and the standard female toilets. .



Additional Info

- Staff receive disability awareness / equality training.
- Documents can be requested in large print.
- The museum offers virtual tours that can be viewed on a screen in the shop. Please ring ahead and request the virtual tour so we can set everything up for your arrival.