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# Willy Russell: Behind the Scenes

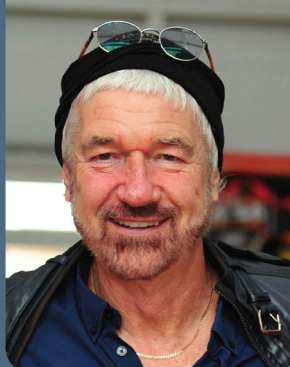


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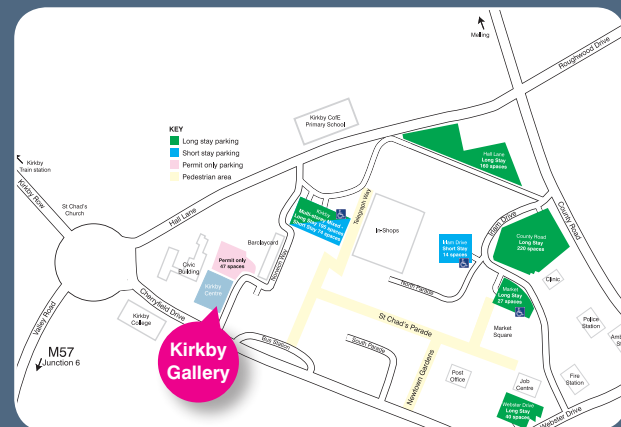
Kirkby Gallery, Knowsley

**Born and raised in Knowsley, dramatist, composer, novelist and (occasional) performer, Willy Russell has created some of the most memorable and iconic work of his generation.**

This exhibition of material from the Willy Russell Archive at Liverpool John Moores University celebrates a selection of Russell's work spanning five decades from early works referencing the local area, to *Our Day Out*, *Stags and Hens*, *Educating Rita*, *Shirley Valentine* and *Blood Brothers*. Archive film of performances, posters, playbills, handwritten notes and scripts bring his stories to life, alongside items from his own personal collection to give a rare insight into his work.



## Where to find us



### Kirkby Gallery

The Kirkby Centre, Norwich Way, Kirkby, Knowsley, L32 8XY  
Opening Times are: Mon to Fri 9am to 5pm, Sat 10am to 1pm

**Please note the opening times are subject to change, please check the website before visiting.**

**Private View: Thursday 15 October, 6 to 8pm.** If you would like to attend, please RSVP to Tina Ball on 0151 443 5617 or [tina.ball@knowsley.gov.uk](mailto:tina.ball@knowsley.gov.uk). Please note this is an RSVP event only.

**Specially designed for Primary Schools and family groups, we have designed a 'Self-Led Education Pack', so that you can learn more about the exhibition and enjoy your visit to the gallery.**

**If you are a school wishing to bring a class to the gallery, please book in advance via the contact details as below. Don't forget, your visit to our exhibition can be used towards an Arts Award accreditation!**

Exhibition catalogues are available to purchase, priced at £4.00, directly from the gallery or via the contact details below.

**The catalogue has been kindly sponsored and produced by 'C3 Imaging' specially for this exhibition.**

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If you require further information about the exhibition please contact Tina Ball on 0151 443 5617 or email [tina.ball@knowsley.gov.uk](mailto:tina.ball@knowsley.gov.uk)

