

Sights and Sounds

11. Heavy Metal Brum

Four lads from Aston called Black Sabbath changed the world by making the first heavy metal music. They were formed here in Birmingham!



Find out the names of all four members

1. O _ _ _ _
2. T _ _ _ _
3. B _ _ _ _
4. G _ _ _ _

Q: What would you call your heavy metal band?

12. Oozells Street Board School

This beautiful building was a school in Victorian times. It's a very cultured place now... Find it, and perhaps pay it a visit.

Q: What's it called now?
(Clue: it looks iconic in photos)

Draw your own artwork in the box - use a family member as your model!

Heading back

13. Red Doors

Walking back along Sheepcote Street, look out for little red doors on the canal bridges.

Tell us why they were put there...
(Googling allowed!!!)



You're Back!

Congratulations!

Head to our Visitor Centre desk to get a smiley stamp and claim your prize for completing the trail!



About this trail: Community Routes

This trail was created as part of the Roundhouse Birmingham's #CommunityRoutes project. Ladywood History Group and attendees at local events suggested their favourite local places to explore. Young people from St John's and St Peter's Church group tested the route with us in 2019.

Roundhouse Birmingham is a heritage enterprise and independent charity that was created through a landmark partnership between the Canal & River Trust and National Trust to find a new and sustainable purpose for one of Birmingham's hidden gems, the Roundhouse. They believe in the social benefit of connecting people with the unique stories and special places that Birmingham has to offer.

Canal & River Trust is a charity looking after 2,000 miles of waterways in England and Wales. They believe that life is better by water. Their research shows that spending time by your local canal can make you feel happier and healthier.

Ladywood History Group formed in 2001 to promote the history of the Ladywood area through an archive of photos, and an exhibition of 'Made in Ladywood' memorabilia at Spring Hill Library. A quarterly magazine, The Brew 'Us Bugle, includes memories of the residents who survived the developments in Ladywood during the 1960s and 1990s. Contact via brewusbugle@hotmail.co.uk

Find Out More with our Audio Tour!



Find our Little-Known Ladywood audio tour on the GeoTourist app by scanning the QR code.

Enjoy the Trail?

Tell us what you think on social media.



Pay as you feel

This trail is offered on a pay as you feel basis. If you enjoyed it and would like to make a donation to Roundhouse Birmingham to support the development of new tours, you can do that here:



The Roundhouse, 1 Sheepcote Street, B16 8AE
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Community
Route No.2

Local Look Around Trail



Explore the local area on this interactive walking trail!

#SeeTheCityDifferently
#LifesBetterByWater



At the Roundhouse

1. The Big Window

Spend a moment or two overlooking the canal from our big windows. Watch the canal and towpath. This is called gongoozling.

Write down the first three people or things you see moving along the canals.

2. Who Designed the Roundhouse?

In our displays, find the architect who designed the Roundhouse. What's his name?

3. Why the Long Search?

Up to 50 working horses were stabled at the Roundhouse, and we know some of their names... Find them in the courtyard and write down three of your favourites.

4. Find the Working Horse

The Roundhouse was home to horses who pulled carts full of stone and goods around the city, and sometimes canal boats. Tiring work! Pose for a pic with the resting horse in the mural.

Tag us in at @bhamroundhouse and tell us a name for the horse!



5. Mini-Artworks

There are mini-artworks hidden around the courtyard. They're clues to the Roundhouse's past. Find three of them and draw them in the circles. At the end, ask a volunteer or member of staff what they mean.

Heading out along the canals

6. Wildlife on the Towpath

Look closely. Find and write down three creatures - large or small - you find on the local towpaths.



7. Herb Gardens & Flowers on the Towpath

Look out for different plants on the towpaths. Take a sniff and note down or draw your favourite plant.



8. Old Turn Junction

Why was this little island made? (Googling allowed!). We'll start you off. No, it's not a roundabout for the canal boats...



9. Whose Place?

Which engineer from the 1700s is Brindleyplace named after, and what did they bring to Brum? Hint: It's all around you!



10. Narrowboats

Narrowboats are used for lots of things. Look for three different uses for the local boats:

Now you're inspired, design your own below!

What would you name your boat?

Start & Finish at the Roundhouse

The Route

