Corporate and private events

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IWM North, part of Imperial War Museums, explores the impact of war on everyone involved, from the First World War to the present day. We bring the national collection to northern audiences and reveal the relevance of personal experiences of war and conflict to our lives today. The iconic building, innovative and dynamic exhibitions, use of digital media and public events explore how war shapes lives and inspire and encourage debate.

Located in the cultural heart of The Quays at MediaCityUK, the museum’s extraordinary spaces offer exceptional possibilities for entertaining. Our award-winning approach to event-creation and delivery has positioned IWM North as one of the leading venues in the city-region.

IWM North is also a unique venue for filming and locations hire.
The main exhibition space with its soaring ceiling and floor that follows the curvature of the earth is complimented by our rich, vast and diverse collection. Made up of both the everyday and the exceptional our collection tells the stories of people from all walks of life.

The most remembered part of any visit to IWM North is the Big Picture Show. Our 360-degree cinematic experience provides a spectacular backdrop for dinners. For even greater impact we can create your own big picture show, which your guests can experience during the event.

**Key information**
- Dinner: 320 people
- Theatre Style: 300 people
- Standing Reception: 700 people

**Additional features**
- The Big Picture Show/
  bespoke digital wallpaper
- Creative lighting packages
Main Exhibition Space
Receptions

The Main Exhibition Space is one of Manchester’s most impressive settings for drinks receptions and offers a unique platform to launch new products.

The space is complimented by spectacular large objects including the Harrier Jump Jet, which was built for the US Marine Corps and flown by Marine Attack Squadrons 513 and 231 between 1974 and 1984. The Harrier also played a distinguished part in the 1982 Falklands Conflict.

The Main Exhibition Space, with its large objects on show provides a powerful backdrop for events.

Key information
Reception 700 people
Hire fee £2,500

Additional features
The Big Picture Show/ bespoke digital wallpaper
Creative lighting packages
Big Picture Show
Bespoke digital wallpapers

Unique to IWM North is the Big Picture Show, an immersive cinematic experience that presents film, imagery and sound from our collections. The short feature films, which are shown in our main exhibition space, explore various themes from service and separation to Remembrance.

Working with our technical experts you can create your own big picture show. These bespoke digital wallpapers are digitally mastered and developed around any theme you choose. Unique to IWM North, these cinematic experiences provide a spectacular backdrop to any event.
Exhibition Gallery

The Exhibitions Gallery is an extraordinary and compelling space, unrivalled in the UK. At 500sq meters it is one of the largest temporary exhibition galleries outside of London and its unique design provides a powerful setting for a diverse range of major national and international exhibitions.

Exhibitions that you can view privately as part of your event include, Catalyst: contemporary art & war, the first major exhibition of IWM’s national collection of contemporary art, and From Street to Trench, a major exhibition to mark the centenary of the First World War. Your guests can also take one our special exhibitions highlights tours, which are timed to meet your schedule.
IWM North’s quayside is one of the most elegant outdoor venues in Manchester. This dynamic and contemporary waterfront features sweeping views of The Quays. The quayside offers an alternative venue in case of rain. In summer 2014 we hope to launch our summer pavilion. Please ask for details.
Libeskind Rooms
Meetings and conferences

Named after the museum’s visionary architect Daniel Libeskind, the Libeskind Rooms provide a versatile space for daytime hire.

Exclusive to our venue hire customers we offer special bespoke tours developed around a theme of your choice. Alternatively your guests can take our Innovation Tour, which highlights the ingenuity of people affected by war and conflict.

The WaterShard Café & Kitchen provides a light and airy space for guests to take a break throughout the day or during lunchtime.

Key information
Day delegate rate £39.95 per person

Additional features
Wheelchair accessible
Free WIFI
Fully integrated AV equipment
Natural daylight with full blackout
Water coolers
Coat rails
Free on-site parking with tickets to viewing platform providing views of Coronation Street, MediaCityUK and beyond!
Our head chef Tony Pickup has created a range of reception and fine dining seasonal menus using the finest seasonal ingredients. Working alongside Tony, Levy is a family of passionate restaurateurs. For more than 30 years Levy Restaurants has earned a reputation for creating fabulous food and discerning taste.

Our food service ethos continues throughout the day with a range of contemporary finger food menus, fork buffets and working lunches.
Exclusive Christmas party nights at IWM North

IWM North is one of the most impressive Christmas party venues in Manchester. Situated on The Quays opposite MediaCityUK, IWM North is the perfect Christmas venue offering exclusivity, style and state-of-the-art digital technology designed to create the perfect setting for your celebrations.

We are the only Christmas party venue in the UK to offer the spectacular Winter Wonderland, our unique 360-degree cinematic animated experience. Our exceptional event management team will ensure a stress-free Christmas for party organisers and guarantees an unforgettable experience for your guests.

We can accommodate up to 300 guests for a dinner-dance and up to 700 for a reception. We also have spaces suited to smaller, more intimate parties.

Key information
Exclusive packages start from £35.00 per person.
IWM North’s remarkable architecture and stunning waterfront location offers a unique setting for filming and locations hire. We welcome enquiries for feature films, television documentaries and commercials.

IWM North has a flexible approach to filming and locations hire and has accommodated a range of projects, including several major campaigns for Ford and Adidas.

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Income generated from venue hire helps us deliver our learning programmes, displays and exhibitions.