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# Joining the Volunteer Team

- The volunteer team covers several different roles
  - Organising / running one of our monthly events
  - Organising / assisting at one-off events or projects
  - Providing support at above events or projects
  - Providing support to the running of the Region
- Typical activities:
  - Liaising with pub for local meetings
  - Helping find new locations for walks / field trips
  - Helping at Open Evenings and exhibitions
  - When HQ's CRM (Blackthorn) + website (CMS) is sorted, keeping websites up to date
- Or just volunteer when you can!

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## Plans for 2025

- **Regular Monthly (same “day”)**
  - SE London (1<sup>st</sup> Monday) – Pett’s Wood In Person
  - London-wide Zoom (Alternative 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday and 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday). Zoom for all
  - North London (2<sup>nd</sup> Monday) – Highbury & Islington In Person
  - SW London (2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday) – Putney In Person
  - “Distinctions” Study Group (2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday) – Zoom
  - Street Photowalk (2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday) – around London
  - Bookworms (3<sup>rd</sup> Monday) – Highbury & Islington In Person
  - Midweek Explorers Photowalk (3<sup>rd</sup> week) - around London
  - Landscape Fieldtrips (4<sup>th</sup> week) –around the Home Counties, and London for “cityscapes”

## Plans for 2025 – Distinctions

### Mike and Brian

- Supporting Members through to a successful Assessment is a key part of London Region
- **LRPS Advisory Mornings (Zoom)**
  - February 15<sup>th</sup>
  - April 26<sup>th</sup>
  - May 31<sup>st</sup>
  - September 27<sup>th</sup>
  - November 22<sup>nd</sup>
- **ARPS Advisory Days (in person)**
  - March 15<sup>th</sup>
  - June 21<sup>st</sup>
  - October 18<sup>th</sup>
- **FRPS Advisory Day (In person)**
  - Being considered for Autumn
- **“Celebration of Distinctions” event (In person)**
  - Being considered for later in 2025
- **Distinctions Study Group (Zoom)**
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursdays – LRPS & ARPS alternating

# Plans for 2025 – Exhibitions

- Exhibitions are always popular with London Members
- **LRMPE 2025**
  - Espacio Gallery, March 26<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup>
  - Open Evening March 27<sup>th</sup>
- **RPS London-CafeArt Photography Mentoring Group**
  - Brixton Library, January 3<sup>rd</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup>
  - Open Evening January 9<sup>th</sup>
- **North London Group**
  - Royal Free Hospital, January 24<sup>th</sup> to March 6<sup>th</sup>
- **Sustainable London Project Exhibition – 2<sup>nd</sup> location**
  - Kingston Church, March 3<sup>rd</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup>
  - Further venues being sought
- **SW London Group**
  - Being considered for Autumn, Putney Library?
- **2025 Project Exhibition**
  - Planned for Autumn / Winter
- **SE London Group**
  - Being considered by the local team
- **Get ready for LRMPE 2026**
  - Selection days in January 2026!

## Plans for 2025 – Special Events

- Visits to unusual or well known venues are always popular
- **Reform Club Photographic Exhibition of past 100 years**
  - Curator's tour in February
  - Date to be confirmed
- **RIBA Archive**
  - Date to be confirmed
- **?? Ideas please ??**



## Plans for 2025 – “Project”

- Again, projects are popular and bring a different cross section of Members together
- **1<sup>st</sup> Thought – 80 years since end of WW2**
  - Government and Royal British Legion are planning events
  - VE+80 – xx June
  - VJ+80 - August
  - Contemporary / documentary - book? Exhibition?
- **?? Ideas please ??**
  - Style – Documentary? Contemporary? Creative?
  - Recent have been towards Documentary
  - Move to wards Contemporary or Creative?
  - **Volunteer to lead?**

# Item 7: Plans and Ideas for 2024

- Discussion / Your suggestions / ideas
  - Will need volunteer(s) to progress any additions to the programme
- All our events, etc. are on the website [rps.org/londonevents](https://rps.org/londonevents)
  - Some also on (new) Blackthorn [www.events.rps.org](https://www.events.rps.org)
  - Select filter on LH Side = London Region
    - – following next month's upgrade!!
- Sign-up for Monthly Capital Letter and our other occasional Newsletters and reminders to stay in touch and find out more.