# THE BISCUIT FACTORY

#### **Creative Workshops**

### Eco Printing | Gillian Smellie

Create your own beautiful silk scarf and a selection of paper prints using a variety of fresh leaves.

We will use the bundling and boiling method for the scarf and paper but will also experiment with the hapzome (bashing plant material) on fabric an paper.

All materials are provided. There are no dyes involved but you may wish to bring an apron. We will be working with boiling water so please wear closed shoes not sandals.

**Gillian** is an eco printer from County Durham. She uses only the natural pigments in leaves to create permanent prints on cloth. Her printing method requires no commercial mordants so the only inputs are second hand textiles, water, and leaves leaving only a heat source as the non-renewable input. All leaves are composted and water recycled on the land. This is as close to a circular process as possible and ensures that not only are the clothes unique but their production and extinction methods have minimal environmental impact

Further information:

This workshop is designed for all levels of experience, suitable for ages 15+

Participants are encouraged to arrive around 10-15 minutes ahead of their workshop.

There is parking on site and we have 2 free overflow car parks on Bermondsey Street and opposite at The Holy Biscuit.

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