



Our Belfast

Russell, J. (Author). (2007). Our Belfast. Exhibition

[Link to publication record in Ulster University Research Portal](#)

Publication Status:

Published (in print/issue): 01/11/2007

Document Version

Publisher's PDF, also known as Version of record

General rights

Copyright for the publications made accessible via Ulster University's Research Portal is retained by the author(s) and / or other copyright owners and it is a condition of accessing these publications that users recognise and abide by the legal requirements associated with these rights.

Take down policy

The Research Portal is Ulster University's institutional repository that provides access to Ulster's research outputs. Every effort has been made to ensure that content in the Research Portal does not infringe any person's rights, or applicable UK laws. If you discover content in the Research Portal that you believe breaches copyright or violates any law, please contact pure-support@ulster.ac.uk.

our BELFAST

ST GEORGE'S MARKET

As the last surviving Victorian covered market in Belfast, St George's is one of Belfast's oldest attractions and still maintains its status today as one of the best markets in the UK. It was built in three phases between 1890 and 1896 and was completely refurbished in 1997.

The Friday variety market and Saturday food market are hugely popular with the city and within them you can find anything from potted herring to signed programmes from some of Manchester United's early matches! The fish section alone contains 23 fish stalls and holds a reputation for being the leading retail fish market in Ireland.



Aine, age 10

Nicole, age 7

St George's Market was voted one of the top 5 UK markets in 2006 by the National Association of British Market Authorities, however, while the popularity of St George's Market is undeniable, there is still a large proportion of the population who have never visited and are unaware of the vibrancy and sense of community offered from this part of the city.

“It was really light inside. It was almost like being outside!”

Riona, age 11



Jessica, age 6



Riona, age 11



Brendan, age 9

The building that currently sits on the site was not the original market, which dates back as far as the 1640's, however it is the present building which is so highly regarded today. The designer of the neighbouring Albert Bridge, of which the original collapsed in the 1880's, was the city surveyor JC Bretland and it was Bretland who also designed St George's Market. Built from the traditional red brick of Belfast, the building is structured by cast iron columns and beams supporting a glazed roof, which gives the market its light and airy feel.

- A The silhouetted entrance
- B The beautiful stonework above the entrance
- C The children enjoying the view at St George's Market
- D The roof lets in lots of natural light
- E Caoian finds a new friend



LOTTERY FUNDED

Background image: Meibh, age 9