

Watch this place° Open, Norwich

It's a nightclub...it's a health suite...it's a media lab... it's a...youth club. Welcome to *Open* – Norwich's state-of-the-art venue for young people. Formerly the regional HQ of Barclays Bank, this historical landmark in the city centre now houses the most cutting edge youth club in the country. Following a bold £12m restoration and redesign by Hudson Architects, *Open* now offers a vast range of facilities and activities for people aged 12 to 25.

What's so special about this place?

- Open's extensive range of facilities include a dance studio, a venue for live music, theatre and other arts-based activities, a health suite, a recording studio and media lab, a cafe and a climbing wall.
- A 40 strong team of young people had a say on all aspects of the design process – from choosing the building's designers and facilities, to selecting the furniture and toilets.
- The 1,200-capacity live music venue often hosts sell-out live music events, whilst the under-18s nightclub is kitted out with designer sofas, state-of-the-art DJ equipment and a juice bar.
- Many of the exciting new architectural features have been constructed using recyclable materials which can be completely removed without damaging the Grade II heritage listed interior.

