

## THE FRIENDS INSTITUTE (AREA C)

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As testified on its exterior, this grade II listed building dates from 1898. Designed by local architect Ewan Harper, it was paid for by local philanthropists (and Quakers) the Cadbury family, chiefly Richard Cadbury. It is a landmark for me by being little altered outside and in, whereby its original 37 classrooms are retained for community purposes enabling continuance of my figure drawing activities despite changing fads and fashions. Its age and architectural style singles it out from adjacent buildings, yet it is also a landmark for me because of red brick and terracotta similarities to the swimming baths and art school further south along the Moseley Road.

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