

WHAT'S ON SEPT 2025 -DEC 2025

WELCOME TO READING MUSEUM

We suggest a donation of £5 to keep admission free

OPENING HOURS

Tuesday – Friday 10am – 4pm Saturday 10am – 5pm, Sundays in September only – 11am – 5pm Closed Sundays, Mondays and Bank Holidays

READING'S DIGITAL REVOLUTION EXHIBITION

Until Wednesday 24 December 2025 Sir John Madejski Art Gallery

Reading's DIGITAL Revolution

Regular Events

Rhymetime Weds am **Object Handling** Weds and Fri am

Museum Surgery Thurs pm Bayeux Tour Sat pm Museums, My Way Saturdays Abbey Quarter tours - see website







WELCOME GALLERY: COMMUNITY DISPLAYS

ROTARY IN THE THAMES VALLEY: 100 YEARS AND STILL COUNTING

Until Saturday 15 November



JACKSONS CORNERS: A GLIMPSE INTO READING'S PAST

Opens Tuesday 2 December

WE WERE THERE: THE CARIBBEAN STORY

Tuesday 30 September until Saturday 1 November

SPECIAL SEPTEMBER SUNDAY OPENINGS

Sunday 7, 14, 21 and 28 September, 11am-5pm

Supported by the Friends of Reading Museum



TALKS, TOURS AND WORKSHOPS

SPORT IN MIND SESSION: MUM & BABY MOVEMENT & EXERCISE

Mondays

Adults, 1pm – 2pm Free for more information, please contact Sport in Mind www.sportinmind.org





HERITAGE OPEN DAY EVENTS

HERITAGE OPEN DAYS: ABBEY GATEWAY DROP IN

Saturday 13 September 2.30pm – 3.30pm All welcome

HERITAGE OPEN DAYS: READING MUSEUM STORE TOURS

Wednesday 17
September
Tours starting at 11am,
12.15pm, 2pm and 3.15pm
Free, book online



OUTDOOR ART WALK:

Friday 5 September Starts at 11am Adults. Free, book online



DRAWING ON LOCATION

Monthly from 19 Sept 2025 Enrol via: www.newdirections reading.ac.uk

STITCHING YOUR STORY: A BAYEUX TAPESTRY EMBROIDERY WORKSHOP

Saturday 15 November Adults, 10.30am - 4pm Enrol via: www.newdirections reading.ac.uk



SUPPORTED ART SESSIONS AND OBJECT HANDLING

Tuesday 23 September and 18 November 2025

Adults, 2.30am - 4.30pm Free for all or Free for eligible learners. Enrol via: www. newdirectionsreading.ac.uk

BEHIND THE SCENES: COLLECTION TOUR

Wednesday 8 October
Starts at 2pm
Adults and accompanied
children over 12
£20 adults. £10 under 18s.

TALK: READING'S COLOSSAL LION; READING'S RISE FROM MARKET TOWN TO 'REGIONAL CAPITAL'

Saturday 18 October Adults and older children, 10am – 12pm £6. book online

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Coming soon: Adi Toch, metal sculptor in residency responding to the Museum's Roman collection

OCTOBER HALF TERM

Saturday 25 October – Saturday 1 November

ACTIVITY CARTDonations welcome,

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THE RAT AND BAT TRAIL AT READING MUSEUM

From Saturday
4 October and
throughout half term
£1 per trail, pay on the day

RAT AND BAT CRAFT ACTIVITY

From Saturday 4 October and throughout half term £2.50 per pack, pay on the day

FAMILY DIGI-WORKSHOP: ECOCODE -PENGUINS

Tuesday 28 October Ages 8-11 years, with accompanying adult, 10am 11:30am and 2pm Free, book online



RAILWAY 200 BIG DRAW: AT READING TRAIN STATION AND READING MUSEUM

Wednesday 29 October All ages, 10.30am – 12.30pm and 1.30pm – 3.30pm

Free workshops and drop-in activities at both Reading Station and Reading Museum



RHYMETIME AT READING MUSEUM

Wednesday 29 October Families, 10.30am - 11am Free, drop in

VICTORIAN SCHOOLROOM EXPERIENCE IN THE GATEWAY

Friday 31 October Ages 5+, 11am & 2pm (meeting at the Abbey Gateway) £2 per person, book online

LOCAL HISTORY
WALK & TALK:
THE DAY READING
WAS BOMBED
Saturday 22 November

All ages, 11am - 1.30pm £10 book online

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

ACTIVITY CART

Donations welcome. drop in

THE FORGETFUL **ELF AND** THE MISSING **REINDEER TRAIL**

Throughout December £1 per trail, pay on the day

CHRISTMAS CRAFT **ACTIVITY**

Throughout December £2.50 per pack, pay on the day



FESTIVE RHYMETIME AT **READING MUSEUM**

Every Wednesday throughout December

Families, 10.30am - 11.30am Free, drop in

FAMILY DIGI-WORKSHOPS DAY

Saturday 6 December



CHRISTMAS SPECIAL, FAMILY DIGI-WORKSHOP: SANTA DETECTION

Families, all welcome but aimed at ages 8-11 with accompanying adult, 11am and 2pm Free, book online

CHRISTMAS SPECIAL. FAMILY DIGI-WORKSHOP: BINARY DECORATIONS

Families, all welcome but aimed at ages 8-11 with accompanying adult. 11am and 2pm Free, book online.

CHRISTMAS SPECIAL, FAMILY DIGI-WORKSHOP: STEGANOGRAPHY

Families, all welcome but aimed at ages 8-11 with accompanying adult, 11am and 2pm Free, book online.

TOWN HALL CHRISTMAS MARKET

Saturday 22 November Free Entry, 10.30am - 4.30pm



The Museum will close at 4pm on Wednesday 24 December and will then remain closed throughout the Christmas period. We will reopen on Friday 2 January 2026.

Please note that there will also be an Electrical shutdown of the whole building from Mon 5 to Sun 18 January 2026.

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