

EXHIBITIONS

READING: THEN & NOW

From Saturday 28 February
Sir John Madejski Art Gallery



WELCOME GALLERY: COMMUNITY DISPLAYS

JACKSONS CORNERS: A GLIMPSE INTO READING'S PAST

Tuesday 2 December
– Sat 28 March



PULSOMETER 125: ENGINEERING EXCELLENCE AT THE HEART OF READING SINCE 1901

Opens Tuesday 7 April

TALKS, TOURS AND WORKSHOPS

BEHIND THE SCENES: COLLECTION TOUR

Wednesday 4 February

11am
Adults and accompanied
children over 12
£20 adults, £10 under 18s,
book online

GAMES DAY: ADVENTURES & ARTEFACTS!

Saturday 28 February

All ages, 11am – 4pm
Donations Welcome,
book online

TALK: READING PAST & PRESENT, THROUGH THE EYES OF THE FORBURY LION

Saturday 7 March

Adults, 11am - 12pm
£6, book online

READING MUSEUM GOES GREEN EVENT

Saturday 21 March

All ages, 10.30am – 3.30pm
Donations welcome, drop in

THE BIG JACKSON'S TALK AT READING MUSEUM

Saturday 28 March

Adults, 11am - 12pm
£6, book online



READING MUSEUM'S OFFICIAL ABBEY TOURS

From April

All ages
From £10 per person,
book online

ART IN THE DARK MONTHS: CREATIVE OPPORTUNITIES FOR ADULTS

DRAWING ON LOCATION

Monthly on a Friday
(see website for dates)

Adults, 10am – 12pm
£19 or Free for
eligible learners
Enrol via: www.newdirectionsreading.ac.uk

WORKSHOP: MIXED MEDIA COLLAGE WITH ANNE WILSON

Saturday 24 January

Adults,
10.30am – 4pm
Free for eligible learners
Enrol via: www.newdirectionsreading.ac.uk

WORKSHOP: ROMAN FINDS: FOUND POEMS. CREATIVE WRITING RESPONDING TO THE SILCHESTER COLLECTION WITH LESLEY SAUNDERS

Saturday 24 January

Adults 16+, 11am – 4pm



WORKSHOP: MAKE A PATCHWORK SQUARE USING THE MANX TECHNIQUE

Thursday 5 March

Adults, 10.30 - 1pm or
1.30pm - 4pm. £5 per
session, book online.

MEET THE ARTIST: ADI TOCH METAL ARTIST RESPONDS TO THE ROMAN SILCHESTER COLLECTION.

Saturday 14 March

All, 11 am – 1pm
and 3pm – 4pm
Free, drop in

TALK: ADI TOCH METAL ARTIST RESPONDS TO THE ROMAN SILCHESTER COLLECTION

Saturday 14 March

Adults, 2pm – 3pm
£4, book online

WORKSHOP: CAPTURING SCULPTURE - DRAWING AND INTERPRETATION WITH REBECCA SWAINSTON

Saturday 21 March

Adults, 10.30am – 4pm
Free for eligible learners
Enrol via: www.newdirectionsreading.ac.uk

CHINESE NEW YEAR DRAGONS AND BAYEUX DRAGONS

Throughout half term
£2.50 per pack, pay
on the day

EVERYBODY'S WELCOME: THE BIG ARTWORK EVENT 2026

Tuesday 17 February

All ages,
10.30am – 3.30pm
Free, donations
welcome, drop in



DRAGON BREAD BUDDIES

Thursday 19 February

Ages 5+, Families, 1-hour
sessions starting at
10am, 11.15am,
1pm & 2.15pm
£5, book online

VICTORIAN SCHOOLROOM EXPERIENCE IN THE GATEWAY

Friday 20 February

Ages 5+, 11am & 2pm
(meeting at the Abbey
Gateway)
£2 per person, pay on
the day or book online

EASTER HOLIDAYS

Saturday 28 March – Saturday 11 April



ACTIVITY CART

Donations welcome, drop in

THE LITTLE DRAGON EASTER EGG HUNT

Throughout the Easter Holidays

Families, £1.50 per trail, pay on the day or book online

MUSEUMS, MY WAY CRAFT SESSIONS

Monday 30 March

Families, 1-hour sessions starting at 10am & 11.15am

Suggested donation £4, book online

EASTER CRAFT ACTIVITY

Throughout the Easter Holidays
£2.50 per pack, pay on the day

FABULOUS FOSSILS

Wednesday 1 April

All ages, Families, 1-hour sessions starting at 10am, 11.15am, 1pm & 2.15pm
£5, book online

VICTORIAN SCHOOLROOM EXPERIENCE IN THE GATEWAY

Thursday 2 April

Ages 5+, 11am & 2pm (meeting at the Abbey Gateway)
£2 per person, pay on the day or book online



EVERYBODY'S WELCOME MAKE & TAKE CRAFT SESSIONS: DOODLING PAPER PUPPETS

Wednesday 8 April

Families, half-hour sessions 10am – 1pm
Donations welcome, drop in



RIVERSIDE MUSEUM

Open 1 April to 30 September

The Riverside Museum is about a 20 minute walk from Reading Museum. It is accessible from Kenavon Drive or from the Kings Road via Gasworks Road bridge.

Reading Museum

Blagrave Street
Reading Borough
Council
RG1 1QH

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MUSEUMS OF SANCTUARY

We are proud to have been awarded Museum of Sanctuary status recognising the museum as a place of welcome for Sanctuary Seekers and Refugees.

