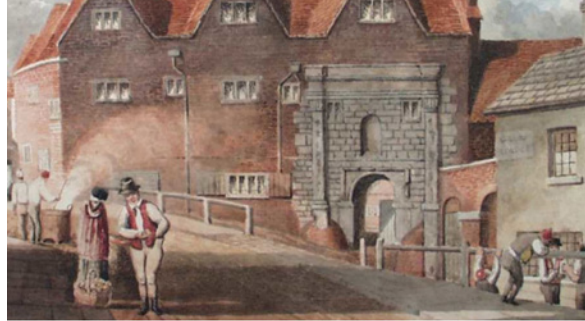


WELCOME TO READING MUSEUM

We suggest a donation of £5
to keep admission free

OPENING HOURS

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



YEAR OF THE NORMANS

In June our copy of the Bayeux Tapestry is 140 years old. Find out more on our website.

READING: THEN & NOW EXHIBITION

Paintings, drawings and prints of Reading from the last 250 years and photos of the same views today.

Regular Events

Rhymetime Weds am

Object Handling Weds and Fri am

Museum Surgery Thurs pm

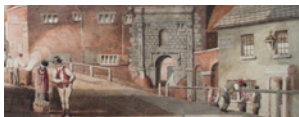
Bayeux Tapestry Tours Thurs and Sat pm

Museums, My Way Saturdays

EXHIBITIONS

READING: THEN & NOW

From Saturday 28 February
Sir John Madejski Art Gallery



WELCOME GALLERY: COMMUNITY DISPLAYS

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

Opens Tuesday 7 April

STORY OF READING GALLERY: SUMER IS ICUMEN IN – ‘THE READING ROTA’

Until 9 May

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ART EXHIBITIONS @ TURBINE HOUSE, RIVERSIDE MUSEUM

From April look out for
Community Artist residencies
and exhibitions at The Turbine
House, Riverside Museum.

TALKS, TOURS AND WORKSHOPS

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

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SUPPORTED ART SESSIONS AND OBJECT HANDLING

Tuesday 19 May and 7 July

For adults with learning
difficulties and disabilities

Adults, 2.30am – 4.30pm
Free for all, including for
eligible learners*
Enrol via: www.newdirectionsreading.ac.uk



READING MUSEUM'S OFFICIAL ABBEY TOURS

From April 2026

See our website for dates
for Abbey Quarter, Abbey
Gateway Rooftop and Oscar
Wilde tours.

All ages, From £10 per person.

TALK: SUMER IS ICUMEN IN – ‘THE READING ROTA’

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Saturday 2 May

With Anne Lawrence-Mathers
Adults, 11am
£6.



READING WALKS FESTIVAL 9 – 17 MAY

ABBAY QUARTER WALKING TOUR

Thursday 14 May

Adults and older children,
11am – 12:30pm
£10, book online via
Walking Festival website.



TECH TOWN WALK

Friday 15 May

Adults and older children,
11am – 1pm
£10, book online via
Walking Festival website.

TALK: THAMES VALLEY, PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE

Saturday 6 June

Adults, 11am – 12pm, £6.



MAY HALF TERM

Saturday 23 May – Sat 30 May

National Biscuit Day: Don't miss us out and about at Didcot Railway Centre!

ACTIVITY CART

Donations welcome, drop in.

OH CRUMBS! BISCUIT TRAIL

Throughout half term

£1.50 per trail, pay on the day.



BISCUIT TOWN ACTIVITY PACK

Throughout half term

£2.50 per pack, pay on the day

Free, drop in.

VISUAL ART WORKSHOP WITH FAKHIRA NEZAMI

Tuesday 26 May

Families, 1-hour sessions starting at 10am, 11.15am, 1pm & 2.15pm



RHYMETIME AT READING MUSEUM

Wednesday 27 May (Every Weds)

Families, 10.30am – 11am
Donations welcome, drop in.

FORBURY EXPLORERS GO GREEN!

Wednesday 27 May

Families, 1-hour sessions starting at 10am, 11.15am, 1pm & 2.15pm
Suggested donation £4.

SUNNY SUNFLOWERS

Thursday 28 May

All ages, Families, 1-hour sessions starting at 10am, 11.15am, 1pm & 2.15pm
£4.



VICTORIAN SCHOOLROOM EXPERIENCE IN THE GATEWAY

Friday 29 May

Ages 5+, 11am & 2pm (meeting at the Abbey Gateway)
£2 per person.

SUMMER HOLIDAYS

Thursday 23 July
until Wednesday 2
September

ACTIVITY CART

Donations welcome,
drop in.

ROARSOME DINO AND FOSSIL TRAIL

£1.50 per trail, pay on
the day.

ROARSOME DINO AND FOSSIL ACTIVITY PACK

£2.50 per pack, pay on
the day.

FABULOUS FOSSILS

Thursday 23 July

Aimed at ages 5+ but
all welcome, 1-hour
sessions starting at
10am, 11.15am, 1pm &
2.15pm, £4.



VICTORIAN SCHOOLROOM

Friday 24 July

Experience in the
Gateway

Ages 5+, 11am & 2pm
(meeting at the Abbey
Gateway)

£2 per person.

TEDDY BEARS RHYMETIME PICNIC AND CRAFT

Wednesday 29 July

All ages, Families, 10am
– 3pm

£2, pay on the day,
drop in.

FORBURY ADVENTURES

Tuesday 4 August

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

INTRO TO DUNGEONS AND DRAGONS

Wednesday 5 August

Ages 10-12 (accompanied
by an adult), 12.30 – 3pm
£4.

BUILD THE CHANGE LEGO SESSIONS

Thursday 13 August

All ages, Families, 1-hour
sessions starting at 10am,
11.15am, 1pm &
2.15pm.



BUILD THE CHANGE LEGO SESSIONS

Monday 17 August

All ages, Families, 1-hour
sessions starting at
10am, 11.15am
Donations welcome,
book online.



FORBURY ADVENTURES

Tuesday 25 August

Families, half-hour
sessions 10am – 1pm.

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

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