

## Press Release

### **Choose your Christmas presents from the corridors of The Royal Berkshire Hospital this year!**

Christmas is coming and now is the time to pop along to the corridors of the Royal Berkshire Hospital to get a unique painting for that special person in your life. The Reading Guild of Artists is holding its annual 'Corridor Exhibition' of fabulous paintings and prints from Monday 7 November to Saturday 17 December 2016. The exhibition will be seen along the South Entrance corridor, along the corridor beyond the Fracture Clinic, on the walls outside Main X Ray and will finish on the lower level next to the Eye Clinic. Works range from small watercolour paintings to big canvases in oils and acrylics. The exhibition is open to the public as well as patients, staff and visitors to the hospital.

This is the 23rd year of the art exhibition that supports the Hospital's Charity 'The Arts and Garden Fund' and 25% of the proceeds are donated to this good cause. In the last two years, the charity received £700 from the exhibitions and it is hoped that even more can be donated this year. Well-known local artists, including Helen Lunn will be exhibiting along with some new painters.

Helen started her career working in a laboratory, testing potable water, after gaining a Biology Degree in 1990. She later studied Graphic Design at Thames Valley University in 2001 and has pursued her creative curiosity ever since.

She loves to work with colour and surface in a variety of media, particularly watermedia and pastel. Aware of interesting shapes and colour combinations around her, she often works in a non-figurative style, expressing a mood.

#### **The chairman of the Reading Guild of Artists, Anthony Wilder, said:**

"This year's exhibits are especially bright and colourful and make ideal Christmas presents. We aim to brighten up your hospital visit, whether you are a visitor, patient or staff. We know that a visit to hospital can sometimes be a tough experience and our local artists are trying to add a new dimension to your visit. I hope you can come along and enjoy our Art Exhibition. You'll be surprised at how affordable our paintings are and know that money raised is supporting a very worthwhile hospital charity."

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