

Press Release

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Art sale raises over £200 for Reading Museum

The recent 'slam' sale held by the Reading Guild of Artists, a 150-strong body of Reading artists, raised £212.85 from proceeds of sales at the event. Sales totalled £851.40 and 25% of sales (£212.85) will go to the Reading Museum.

The event was very popular with over 200 people, young and old, popping in. A steady flow of these tried their hand at the workshops on offer.

The sale supported the Ray Atkins exhibition, 'The Reading Years', which runs until Saturday 6 May, Sir John Madejski Art Gallery, Reading Museum.

Anthony Wilder, chairman, Reading Guild of Artists, said: "I was delighted with how the day went – both with the numbers of pieces sold and the numbers of visitors. Visitor feedback was very positive.

"The workshops were a huge success with many children taking part and producing such lovely works of art. I am sure many will go to be artists and maybe members of the Guild!

"It was especially pleasing to have raised some money for Reading Museum."

Further information on the Reading Guild of Artists, can be found by visiting <http://www.rga-artists.org.uk/>
or <https://www.facebook.com/ReadingGuildofArtists/>

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Photos attached

Attached are two photos from the event.

- The 'banner' photo – the gentleman beside the banner is Anthony Wilder, chairman, Reading Guild of Artists
- The other is Evelyn Neville, aged four years-old, with her masterpiece, made at the collage workshop

I have other group shots of visitors, which can be supplied on request.

Notes to Editors:

The Reading Guild of Artists was founded in 1930. It has a membership of over 150 artists and plays an active role in the development of artists in Reading.