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Come along to the Reading Guild of Artists' art sale – and enjoy half term activities too!

There is still time to have half term fun, courtesy of Reading Guild of Artists (RGA) who have taken over the Sir John Madejski Gallery, Reading Museum for half term.

As well as hosting many fun, family-friendly activities during the week, members of the RGA are exhibiting small art works – available for purchase.

The fun and lively workshops for children and adults, run from Monday 18 February to Saturday 23 February. Workshops take place Monday to Friday during the week, between 10.30am and 3.30pm and between 10.30am and 12noon on Saturday 23 February. The workshops are drop-in sessions and all free of charge. No pre-booking is needed.

Anthony Wilder, chairman of Reading Guild of Artists, said: "The activities are a real-hands on chance to make many Medieval-themed artworks – with the aim of making a Medieval 'banquet' for the end of the week.

"And with many small artworks available for purchase – come along and get a unique piece – perhaps you might see something for your mum, as Mothering Sunday is in March. I am sure someone's mum would love a one-off artwork for her special day.

"Do come along join in the fun and perhaps pick up a lovely piece of art.

"The RGA is gearing up for its 89th Annual Show – which starts on Wednesday 27 February – being kindly hosted by Reading Museum. We look forward to many people popping in and viewing the exhibition."

Elaine Blake, exhibitions & partnerships curator, Reading Museum, said: "The Museum is delighted to host the Reading Guild of Artist's small works exhibition – we work very closely in partnership with the RGA and this and the half term activities are just some of the many events we work on together.

"The Museum will also be working with the RGA to host its 89th Annual Show, taking place in the Sir John Madejski Gallery. This is a highly prestigious event and another fine example of our partnership working with the Guild."

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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Images attached:

'Who's been drawing on Grandma's wallpaper?' – by RGA member, Trish Roberts

'Never smile at a ...' – by RGA member, Sally Castle

Photo Opportunity:

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Notes to Editors:

The Reading Guild of Artists was founded in 1930. It has a membership of over 170 artists and plays an active role in the development of artists in Reading.