

Press Release

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West Berkshire artists love exhibiting at the RGA Summer Show!

Although the RGA members are primarily Reading-based, there is a growing membership from outside Reading with many from West Berkshire. Over 10 of them will be showing their fabulous work at the Reading Guild of Artists' Summer Show which opens on Thursday 15 and runs until Sunday 25 June.

The RGA's 4th Summer Show will feature work by over 50 members and showcase the final year work of BA Ed Art students from the University of Reading. It's a great opportunity to take a few hours out of your busy life and immerse yourself in a world of vibrant colour, and experience a unique perspective on our lives today in visual form.

Jane Somner, a Beenham Art Group member, will be exhibiting at this year's Reading Guild of Artists' Summer Show.

Jane says: "I am really looking forward to the Summer Show in June. Not only is it being held in a great space, it is also a wonderful opportunity to exhibit my own paintings, and it gives us all a chance to see the work of other artists.

In addition, during the show, the RGA are putting on an exciting programme of workshops, open to all. Although I am primarily a water-colourist, it is a real pleasure to learn and share and try new ways of creating art.

I'm sure visitors to the show, be they collectors, students, children and all lovers of art will find it is the place to visit - this exhibition will certainly be an inspiration."

Helen Lunn, from Sulhamstead is leading a workshop at the RGA Summer Show. She says:

"I am excited to be showing my water themed mixed media paintings in

this lovely bright space again. Come along and join me on 19th June, for my workshop, 'Exploring Mixed Media', to create your own abstract mixed media painting. The full workshop series is on the RGA website."

Anthony Wilder, chairman of the RGA, said:

"I always look forward to the buzz of the RGA summer show. This year it is going to be particularly vibrant with a host of members from West Berkshire exhibiting with us. Do come and visit."

Look out for the AA signs around the venue if you are coming by car. If you come by bus, take the no. 1 bus from Newbury into Reading or the no. 26 from Calcot into Reading, or the no. 17 from Tilehurst into Reading and then use buses nos. 3, 9, 19a, b and to Craven Road or no. 21 to Kendrick Road.

The RGA Summer Show runs from Thursday 15 June to Sunday 25 June, 10am to 4pm, daily. Art Building L04, University of Reading, London Road Campus, RG1 5AQ. Entry is free. For more on the event visit <http://www.rga-artists.org.uk/rga-whats-on.html>

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:

Jane Somner (holding a picture of a still life), Helen Lunn (yellow top against blue artwork in the background)

Notes to Editors:

Interviews with West Berkshire members of the Reading Guild of Artists can be arranged by calling 07503156128. Press are invited to the private view on Wednesday 14 June at 18.30. Some photos of the artwork on display by Helen and Jane (and other artists) are available by following this link. <http://www.rga-artists.org.uk/photos-for-the-press.html>

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.