

## **Press Release**

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### **Still time to visit 'Hooray Henley!' exhibition and find a truly personal Mothering Sunday present**

The Reading Guild of Artists' 87<sup>th</sup> annual exhibition is still in full swing and runs until Tuesday 28 March.

It was officially opened on Sunday 19 March, by the Reading Guild of Artists' (RGA) president, Clive Duncan. It has grabbed local residents' and visitors' attention, with over 350 visitors since Sunday. This year's title, 'Hooray Henley!' is a tribute to the town. A selection of works is based on those things for which Henley is famous: the river and locality, well-known characters, Henley's festivals, local history, industry or architecture and more.

Clive Duncan, president of the RGA, said of the opening: "I was glad to welcome everyone to my home town of 50 years.

"I am delighted with the wonderful Henley-themed works on display and I know visitors to the event have really enjoyed seeing this lovely town and its character and events captured in such a wide-range of styles. The exhibition runs until Tuesday 28 March and with Mothering Sunday this weekend, why not take your Mum to see the show and buy her a special gift?

"Don't forget to visit our Facebook page for more on the Guild and the talented artists!"

Anthony Wilder, chairman of the RGA, concluded the opening event, with a special 'thank you' to Carole Stephens, with this her last outing as exhibition secretary, saying: "After seven years and numerous exhibitions, Carole will soon be stepping down, but happily will still remain a part of the RGA Council. We all thank her for this fantastic exhibition and for making it all happen."

The 'Hooray Henley' exhibition runs until Tuesday 28 March, 10am to 4pm, daily. The Old Fire Station Gallery, 66 Market Place, Henley-on-Thames, RG9 2AG. 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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### **Photo attached**

Group photo: (Left to right-R) Liz Baldin (Marie Dyson Award joint Winner), Thérèse Lawlor (acting publicity officer), Anthony Wilder (RGA chairman), Clare Buchta (treasurer), Clive Duncan (president), Martina Hildebrandt (Marie Dyson Award joint Winner), Martin Andrews (assessor), and Carole Stephens (exhibition secretary)

### **Notes to Editors:**

Interviews with members of the Reading Guild of Artists can be arranged by calling 07503156128.

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.