

## Press Release

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### **Reading Guild of Artists' Online Exhibition, 'Celebrating our Town – Discover Reading' (Expanded & Revisited!)**

The Reading Guild of Artists (RGA) has released the second stage of the autumn Online Art Exhibition. Members of the Guild have created more beautiful works in celebration of Reading and the surrounding towns and countryside. Martina Hildebrandt, exhibition curator, is thrilled by the number of new works submitted and the imagination and creativity that the artists display in their work.

Already the positive feedback from 'virtual visitors' to the exhibition has been encouraging. "Whilst museums and art galleries have had to close again, it is with additional pleasure that we can roam through the rooms of this exhibition and experience a fantastic selection of work". Another response was "It's a joy to wander round at leisure from my own armchair! I can re-enter a room, stand and gaze with nobody wanting to share my view." No one way system here!

However, the view that is shared by many is that this really is a wonderful opportunity to see some excellent art, to experience the creativity and talent of members of the RGA and to share in something positive during these uncertain times, and maybe purchase some art for your own rooms!

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:**

*Calcot Mill*, Pastel by Keith Marples

*The Orchestra @ The Hexagon, Op. #3*, Ink and Watercolour by Mohan Banerji

*Sign of the Times*, Oil on linen surface paper by Linda Graves

Banner poster, designed by Martina Hildebrandt based on original image *Abbey ruins* by Liz Chaderton

**Note to Editors:**

The Reading Guild of Artists was founded in 1930. It has a membership of nearly 200 artists and plays an active role in the development of artists in Reading and the surrounding areas.