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## An inspirational workshop!

It's never too late to learn new skills - and there are still a few places left on a **two-day etching workshop** at the **Mercer Art Gallery** in Harrogate that will let you do just that!

Working with artist Sarah Thornton, participants in the '**Limited Edition**' workshop will have the opportunity to look at prints from Harrogate's collection, and try a range of **dry-point etching** techniques to make their own set of limited edition prints. The inspiration for the workshop will be the objects on show in the exhibition 'Treasures of Ancient Egypt', which include a **mummy case**, **ointment jars** and a **2,500 year-old mummy mask**. The two-day workshop is **suitable for beginners**, as basic etching techniques will be taught and participants will be able to progress at their own pace.

Audience Development Officer, Janine Taylor, said 'This workshop is a wonderful way to study at first-hand some fascinating pieces from the collection – and use them as inspiration for your own work.'

The two-day etching workshop will take place at the Mercer Art Gallery on **Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> February**, from 10.00am-4pm. The cost of the two-day workshop is £30, which covers all materials. **Places must be booked in advance on 01423 556 188.**

The workshop is part of the '**Primetime**' programme of events that are taking place at venues across the district. Events continue until early March - full details of all remaining events are available by calling 01423 556 188.

### Ends

For further information please call Janine Taylor, Audience Development Officer, on 01423 556 188.