



## World Wetlands Day Activities

On World Wetlands Day, Sunday, 2nd February, the 'Reclaiming Wetlands Values: Marsh, Mud and Wonder' exhibition will be open at the Royal Geographical Society and there will be a range of activities for visitors.

### **Meet the Mosquito**

Ever wondered why mosquitoes bite some people more than others? Or how mosquitoes might make an important contribution to the food chain? Find out more about this curious and sometimes misunderstood insect with specimens under the microscope. Frances Hawkes, mosquito specialist, will be on hand to highlight the 32 different species of mosquitoes documented by WetlandLIFE.

### **Creative Writing**

Collect a free poem from award-winning writers, contribute a story or memory to our storytelling network, or train your binoculars on the RGS garden to 'word-watch' with us.

Our WetlandLIFE Word Hide is designed to kindle creativity and promote the interconnection of nature and narrative. So why not step inside and see nature from a different perspective. Author, Victoria Leslie will be in the Word Hide to talk about wetlands and creative writing.

### **Live from a Wetland in Winter**

Where the rivers Trent and Ooze join the Humber lays an expanse of wetland, Alkborough Flats, a habitat where migrant visitors mingle and feast alongside residents. In Alkborough Flats, 178 miles north of the RGS, artists Kerry Morrison and Helmut Lemke are exploring the tidal wetland in all its winter glory, occasionally taking refuge from the cold in the Wetland on Wheels van. Daily, Kerry and Helmut will live stream their encounters, interventions, views and thoughts into the gallery. Take a seat, put your feet up, and join them, virtually.