Hugh Powell (left) is pictured admiring some of the children's exhibits with vice-presidents Sir Hugh Smiley and Percy Cox at the opening of the Alton Art Society's annual exhibition last week.



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52nd Annual Exhibition in Assembly Rooms ALTON ART SOCIETY

## Another fine and imaginative art exhibition

ALTON Art Society's 52nd Annual Exhibition was opened by professional artist Hugh Powell, on Monday evening last week.

The exhibition, which ran all the week at the Assembly rooms featured more than 180

pictures by society members in-cluding oils, watercolours, pastels, gouache, screen prints and pencil work.

The usual high standard was maintained and the pictures were supplemented with pot-tery and sculpture.

Also on show were exhibits submitted by local schools. While the main exhibition showed a predominance of landscaped and plant lift, the youngsters' pictures ervealed a hugh amount of imagination.

Pop stars including The

Beatles, Soft Cell adn John Lydon were depicted as well as abstracts, sport, animals and the more unusual still life.

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Pupils of St. Lawrence School, Alton, whose collage, "All Things Bright and Beautiful," was a prize-winner at Alton Art Society's annual exhibition