



Newton's Heritage Art Project

Thames Memorial

Hello Good Morning

I was approach by a mother who lost her son in a River accident on the Thames, she said there is no where she and other grieving families can go to pay her respects that is for any or unknown victim.

I would like to create a memorial for all people who have lost loved ones in the River Thames and find a place with easy access, where people can go to at any time and pray, hold a service or grieve.

When Looking at the news its staggering how many people loose their lives each year in the Thames - it is possibly estimated 5,000.

January 2014 The Environment Agency has 16 severe flood warnings in place for south-west England and the Thames Valley, as well as nearly 150 flood warnings and 230 flood alerts.

>>>Thames News>>>>

5 January 2014 A man on a mobility scooter has died after falling into the River Thames when trying to pass a flooded pathway.

*River Thames summer death numbers 'a concern', fire service claim
A "worryingly high" number of people have died in rivers in the warm summer weather, Berkshire fire and rescue service has said.*

It says five have people died in the past month, including a 12-year-old boy who got into difficulty in the Jubilee River in Cippenham, Slough on 31 July.

On Wednesday, a man died in the River Thames at Caversham.

The fire service is warning people to think of the dangers of going

into the water in the warm weather.

*07 AUGUST 2013, BERKSHIRE
Teenagers describe Thames rescue bid*

*02 AUGUST 2013, SURREY
Man's body found after Thames search*

*01 AUGUST 2013,
Boy dies after jumping into river*

*31 JULY 2013, BERKSHIRE
Lifeboat crews rescued 372 people from the Thames last year, figures show. ... According to the statistics, 25 of those saved would have died without ... next to Waterloo Bridge, was the busiest in the UK and Ireland in 2013.*

