

PRESS RELEASE

Book Launch - Flat Holm

UK launch of artists' book Flat Holm at Bristol Art Book Event, Arnolfini, Bristol, 11 April 2015.
The book is a hand-made picture book by ottoGraphic with poems by Chris Scully about the small Welsh island, Flat Holm.

Otto is an international illustrator, printmaker and book artist. He has been illustrating for 25 years for newspapers like the Guardian, The Economist, New York Times, Le Monde, Liberation. Otto exhibits and sells at art book fairs around the world.

Chris Scully was born and lives in the Somerset. In 2014 he volunteered on Flat Holm island as a trainee warden and fell in love with the place. He has been writing about nature, wild life as well as children's stories.

Story of the book

Otto visited the island Flat Holm several times during 2014 and made drawings and took photographs. That material was taken back to his workshop MSP near Bath where it led to a substantial body of illustrations and screen prints. On one of his visits to the island Otto met resident trainee warden, Chris Scully, who had written numerous poems about Flat Holm. The poems matched the images, so Otto decided to make a book with illustrations and poetry. He designed, screen printed and bound an edition of 100 at MSP.

Reading and Presentation

Reading of poems by Chris Scully and Otto's visual presentation of the book will take place Saturday, 11 April 2015, 4pm.

BABE, Bristol Art Book Event, is a popular international artists book fair, organised by the Centre for Fine Print Research at the University of the West of England.

It is open from 11am Saturday 11 April 2015 to Sunday 12 April 2015 and is free to visit.

Flat Holm book

screen printed in an edition of 100, 24 x 17.5cm landscape, 26 pages including fold-outs, available at www.ottographic.co.uk for £35,-

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