

The Blue Duck Gallery April Newsletter

Exhibition of the Month

The Spring Sale

Huge reductions on lots of prints & some originals
from
Saturday May 7th 2011

Many of us are busy decorating at the moment and if you have wall space you need to fill with pretty pictures but don't want to spend the earth we may be able to help. From Saturday 7th May we will be exhibiting a whole array of prints & originals, from florals to abstracts and landscapes to figurative art, which will all be on sale. There will be more details on our [Artist of the Month](#) webpage.



New Textiles



We received our new canvas bags a couple of weeks ago and as soon as they appeared they pretty much disappeared. Fear not, more bags are due in any day.

Many of you have also been enticed in by our stunning new scarves. I know April may seem like a funny time of year to be

selling scarves but they are going like hot cakes. The textures are luxuriantly soft, the colours range right across the seasons and despite being hand-knitted in Cornwall they are a fabulous price. For more designs of scarves and bags see our [Mixed Media](#) page on the website.



New Jewellery

Local jeweller, Wendy Penrose, has designed some gorgeous new sea charm pendants. You can buy a basic silver chain and opening ring and then choose your charm, which you could then add to, if the fancy took you, for birthdays, anniversaries and Christmas. If you gain a small collection you can swap and change them around according to your mood and continually create new pendants for yourself. Prices for a chain and one charm start from £45. To see more charms and other beautiful jewellery have a look at the [Jewellery Page](#) on our website.



Wedding Presents

We have some really lovely ideas for wedding presents in the gallery which are great both for guests who want to choose a

personal present for friends or relations, or for couples who would like an alternative wedding list. We have a wealth of pottery that you can choose from, including Rupert Blamire's Mediterranean inspired Olive Oil Decanters and Selborne Pottery ceramics which come in lots of sumptuous designs. We have fabulous glass and now we have some beautifully designed slate.



Due in within the next week or so are also more wonderful candlesticks. Their height gives them a sculptural dimension which makes them great for alcoves, high window sills and hearths and can give you joy even when the candles aren't lit. For more wedding ideas see our [Wedding Page](#) on the website.

Alison Read Prints

We have so many hilarious and beautifully printed Alison Read pictures in at the moment and they are incredibly popular. Although they are prints they are hand-printed by linocut, woodcut or etching which actually makes them 'original prints', in as much as that the printing is the original form of the artistic process. This is also true of Jo Barry's and Jo Quinn's prints. So don't be put off by the limited edition numbers at the bottom of the picture - you are still getting an original piece of work. Examples of work by all artists are on our [Art Page](#) on the website.



April Opening Hours

Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
	12 th Open	13 th Open	14 th Open	15 th Open	16 th Open	17 th Open
18 th Closed	19 th Open	20 th Open	21 st Open	22 nd Closed	23 rd Closed	24 th Closed
25 th Closed	26 th Open	27 th Open	28 th Open	29 th Closed	30 th Open	Normal Opening

On Sunday 17th April we are hoping to paint the outside of the gallery so we decided that we would open up for the day. Please come and say 'hello' if you're passing. As usual we will be closed over the entire Easter weekend and for the royal wedding.

Operation Bay Tree

A big 'thank you' to **Team Bay Tree** for their efforts to give my trees a new lease of life. That is Alison, the garden nurse, for suggesting that I feed the poor plants and Jacqui who donated the plant food. Feeding has now commenced so look out for super bushy, glossy leafed and generally happy, healthy bay trees!

Remember 10% off framing in April!