



## Exhibitions

# Flight

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What images are conjured up by the word 'flight'? Do you immediately think of birds, butterflies, freedom, aeroplanes, sycamore seeds or hastening upstairs?

This beautiful exhibition explores the subject of flight through carefully selected works by artists who seek to represent the flight patterns of birds as well as expressions of flight as an abstract concept. Exhibiting artists include ashar, Sara Dudman RWA, Rebecca Fierek, Lucy Fraser, Julia Manning RE, Anita Reynolds and Anne Smyth.

'FLIGHT' connects with the broader aims of Art for Life, to uplift the experience of being in the hospital and bring a welcome breath of nature and optimism.



Most of the painters and printmakers in the exhibition observe and reinterpret the characteristics of birds in flight, together with their environment, be it high moorland, expansive rocky coasts or nearby woodlands. ashar's colourful paintings aim to reach beyond visual representation and capture the spirit of a place and the sense of liberation associated with 'taking flight'.

Anita Reynolds, one of the exhibiting artists, walked the 630 mile South West Coast Path that runs from Minehead to Poole in 2012/13. She comments '*Birds were with me every day.....flight to me represents freedom, space and joy - watching the birds and sharing their landscape was a privilege.*'

The exhibition is beautifully complimented by a colourful and very affordable range of porcelain native British garden bird and butterfly sculptures created by Rebecca Fierek, together with Anne Smyth's exquisite fused glass works.

Art for Life are proud to host this exhibition by such well- recognised South West artists so pause for a moment to enjoy this exhibition and allow yourself to be transported, uplifted and enlivened by ideas of 'flight'.

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