

Beasts II

2 October 2018 – 15 January 2019

Following on from the huge success of our Beasts exhibition ten years ago, this exhibition features two returning artists very familiar with Musgrove Park Hospital in Alison Jacobs and Jackie Spurrier. New to Musgrove is the delicate, intricate work of Jon Tremaine.

Alison Jacobs is an artist from Somerset who lives and works in the countryside, exploring the rural landscape and environment which has a large influence on her work. She became known as a realistic painter of cows and farm animals which are painted on a canvas removed from the landscape to echo our own disassociation from food production and working animals.



Jackie Spurrier started painting cows in 2002 after a meaningful chat with a Hereford in a field in Norfolk. Jackie and Spike (the cow) bonded over a barbed wire fence. Living in Somerset, she is never short of a willing model. Peering over a five bar gate or hedge, the inquisitive cows are keen to provide a snort and a dribble at the camera lens which is later transformed into a characterful painting.

Cornish wildlife artist, **Jon Tremaine**, creates his wildlife pen and ink composite art using a Rotring pen with the finest 0.10mm nib allowing great precision. His drawings are an amalgam of images, wildlife and flora entwine, adding intrigue to this beautiful art form.

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