

DEUTSCHE BANK SPONSORS LOCAL ARTIST

Guernsey, 7th October 2004: Local artist, Angie Whitaker, is holding an exhibition of paintings entitled "Time & Tide" at Jimmy's Restaurant, St James from 12th - 23rd October 2004.

Sponsored by Deutsche Bank, this 34-piece exhibition of new and original work encompasses landscape, still life and portraiture in a variety of media on the theme of "Time and Tide".

An illustrative design graduate, Angie Whitaker's first commercial venture was when sixteen of her designs were published and supplied to such stores as Paperchase and Waterstone's.

Following her graduation in 1998 and to supplement her burgeoning career as an illustrator, Angie joined Deutsche Bank - initially on a three-month contract which was extended to a year. After some time out to travel, she returned to Guernsey and Deutsche Bank and in November 2001, with the support of the Bank, held her first solo exhibition, a three-day show at Les Rocquettes Hotel. Such was the success of this exhibition and subsequent commissions she felt able to leave the finance industry and has since worked full time as an illustrator.

In 2002, Angie exhibited for one month at the Coach House Gallery in St Peter's and later that year, a series of works depicting the twelve days of Christmas was included in an exhibition at Falle Fine Arts Gallery in Jersey. Since then a number of private and commercial commissions have been undertaken.

However, for some time Angie had wished to spread her "artistic" wings and produce a series of work that reflected her abilities as a fine artist and last year approached Gerry Morrissey, MD of Deutsche Bank, to see if her former employers would be willing to provide support:

Mr Morrissey commented: *"Deutsche Bank is renowned globally for its support of art and indeed has an extensive collection throughout its worldwide offices. We are especially pleased to sponsor Angie, not only as she is a former employee but also because we believe her to be a talented artist who is on the threshold of commercial and artistic success."*

Ms Whitaker said, *"I was delighted when the offer of sponsorship came from the Bank. For some time I have been hoping to create a body of work that shows a progression of skills and subjects, which perhaps I would not have had the opportunity to show given the time consuming nature of this work. To successfully build a body of this type of work ideally required a year so that all four seasons could be encompassed. The support that Deutsche Bank has given me provided the opportunity to thoroughly explore my theme."*

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Notes to Editors:

1. A private viewing for invited guests and the media is taking place at St James on Monday, 11th October at 6.00 pm
2. Angie Whitaker graduated from Bath Spa University College in 1998 with a 2:1 in Graphic Design.
3. Since 2002 Angie Whitaker has produced a series of work for Good Housekeeping magazine; established her own greetings card business supplying CI and UK retailers and was commissioned by the Vale and St Sampson's Parishes to paint a picture to be sent to the Queen to commemorate her Golden Jubilee.

4. In conjunction with Dallas Masterton (of the Bookshop on the Bridge), she has been working on a children's book and giving talks at local primary schools within the Island.
5. Deutsche Bank's commitment to contemporary art is globally oriented and networked. The Bank's "Art at Work project" created one of the world's biggest corporate collections, which is displayed in the Bank's international offices
6. In 1997, a unique cooperative venture between the Deutsche Bank and the Solomon R. Guggenheim Foundation was inaugurated: the Deutsche Guggenheim – an exhibition hall run jointly by the two organisations. The Deutsche Guggenheim stages four exhibitions each year.
7. The Cultural Foundation of Deutsche Bank promotes cultural exchange and the experience of art. Deutsche Bank's Private Wealth Management Art Advisory service complements the bank's commitment to art by offering a multi-faceted service including consulting services for everything that has to do with art collections as they exist or are to be acquired.
8. Deutsche Bank in Guernsey is committed to supporting local community events, not only in a cultural context but also with regard to sporting and educational issues.
9. Other local activities supported by Deutsche Bank include the Guernsey Emergency Services Triathlon, The Guernsey CI Golf Championships, The Guernsey Choral Workshop, The UpBeats Percussion Ensemble and The Tree of Joy.
10. Deutsche Bank's Offshore Group was established in the Channel Islands in 1972 and provides a world-wide offshore banking and financial services capability to financial institutions, corporations, family offices and wealthy private individuals on behalf of the Deutsche Bank Group