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NEW TOURING EXHIBITION FROM THE ARTS COUNCIL COLLECTION AND PAINTINGS IN HOSPITALS EXPLORES OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH THE GREAT OUTDOORS

National charity Paintings in Hospitals collaborates with the Arts Council Collection for 'Rooted in the Landscape', a new exhibition to tour hospitals across South West England, featuring works by artists such as Marc Quinn, Keith Vaughan and Turner Prize-nominated Janice Kerbel.

Launching on the 05 June 2018, 'Rooted in the Landscape' will open for a special preview week at the Menier Gallery, London. The launch will feature exclusive additional artworks from the Paintings in Hospitals collection, including a newly-acquired artwork by Fiona Curran, alongside the selected works from the Arts Council Collection. The launch will coincide with Creativity and Wellbeing Week 2018.

Featuring artists such as Andy Goldsworthy, Marc Quinn, Howard Hodgkin, Keith Vaughan, Barry Flanagan, and Janice Kerbel, the exhibition is specifically designed for healthcare settings and to enhance patients' access to art normally only reachable by visiting major art galleries or museums.

Exploring unexpected themes, including the mapping of invisible or imagined spaces and the experience of physical and emotional remoteness, 'Rooted in the Landscape' will leave the Menier Gallery on 10 June, going on to tour: Dorset County Hospital, Yeovil District Hospital, Musgrove Park Hospital (Taunton), and Southmead Hospital (Bristol) over the following two years.

Amisha Karia, Head of Collection, Loans & Programming at Paintings in Hospitals, said: "It has been a thrilling and rewarding process to develop this exhibition with the Arts Council Collection. 'Rooted in the Landscape' will be installed for six months at each of the selected hospitals in the South West and will be accompanied by a programme of engagement activities. These activities will encourage deeper engagement with the artworks and we hope will stimulate further discussions with patients and care staff about their perspectives on landscape and its effects on their health and wellbeing."

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EXHIBITION FACTS

Title: Rooted in the Landscape
Launch Week: 04 June – 10 June 2018
Preview: 05 June, 18:00-20:30. *The preview will take place as part of our annual Connect event.*
(Tickets are £2.50, available here: www.paintingsinhospitals.org.uk/Event/connect-2018)
Venue: Menier Gallery
51 Southwark Street, London, SE1 1RU
Website: www.paintingsinhospitals.org.uk/Event/rooted-in-the-landscape
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RELATED EVENTS

Title: Rooted in the Landscape: Symposium
Date: 06 June, 10:00-16:30
Tickets: Tickets are £35.00, available here: www.paintingsinhospitals.org.uk/Event/rooted-in-the-landscape-symposium
Venue: Kings College London
The Strand, London, WC2R 2LS
Website: www.paintingsinhospitals.org.uk/Event/rooted-in-the-landscape-symposium

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EDITOR'S NOTES

ABOUT PAINTINGS IN HOSPITALS

Paintings in Hospitals is one of the longest established organisations in the 'arts and health' sector and the *only* national art collection of its kind. Founded in 1959, the charity uses art and creativity to inspire better health and wellbeing for patients and carers. Paintings in Hospitals is partnered with over 175 health and social care organisations in England, Wales and Northern Ireland, loaning its art and hosting hands-on workshops to create care spaces that encourage, enrich and empower everyone who uses them.

The Paintings in Hospitals collection holds over 3,900 artworks, including pieces by Bridget Riley, Antony Gormley, Ian Davenport, Maggi Hambling, Andy Warhol, Anish Kapoor, Howard Hodgkin, Patrick Caulfield, Helen Chadwick, Sonia Boyce, Alexander Calder, and many more. Paintings in Hospitals has also partnered with national museums and collections, including the V&A, Wallace Collection, and Hayward Gallery, enabling the charity to bring more world-class art to people who cannot reach it alone. Paintings in Hospitals receives no Government funding and relies entirely on grants, donations, and support from the public to continue its work. Paintings in Hospitals is a Registered Charity (No. 1065963).

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ABOUT ARTS COUNCIL COLLECTION

The Arts Council Collection is a national collection of British art from 1946 to the present day and holds nearly 8,000 works that are available for loan to spaces across the UK and abroad. With more than 1,000 loans made to over 100 venues a year, it is seen by millions of people annually in public spaces from galleries and museums to hospitals, libraries and universities. Representing one of the most important collections of British modern and contemporary art in the world, it includes work from Francis Bacon, Barbara Hepworth and Henry Moore to Lucian Freud, Antony Gormley and Grayson Perry. The Collection supports and promotes British art and British artists by buying art when they are in the early stages of their career, and continues to acquire new work and support emerging artists. The Arts Council Collection is managed by Southbank Centre, London on behalf of Arts Council England and is based at Southbank Centre and at Longside, Yorkshire Sculpture Park.

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