Axolotl Gallery New Exhibition 10 June 2011

The <u>Axolotl Gallery</u> in Edinburgh will open their new exhibition "The secret life of owls and other works" by Allan Goodwillie on the 10th June.

The works on display will be landscapes and paintings from Mr Goodwillie's "Hero" series, as well as the "Secret Lives of Owls" series. The owl paintings are a mixture of fiction and reality, and are being developed for a children's story book that portraits a world of owls in which magical things happen.

About his source of inspiration Mr Goodwillie said:- "I once read about a family of owls who lived in an old aeroplane at the side of the aerodrome and fell in love with the idea.

I love the fact that owls have very human expressions and that they are real characters and I try to bring this out in the paintings."

The media used by the artist include oils, acrylics, watercolour and drawings. When visiting the exhibition, there also is the chance to meet the artist as Mr Goodwillie will be in residence to discuss his work and technique in a relaxed atmosphere. On the opening day and on days for school visits, there will also be live owls.

Mr Goodwillie has exhibited widely and has been an Art lecturer for several years.

The exhibition will run until 4th July.

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