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**Not to be missed
a brand new show 'Gifted' at thegallery@360°**

A brand new show at thegallery@360° entitled '**Gifted**' is a fabulous festive collection of some of the best contemporary fine and applied arts that will lift your spirits on a cold and damp December's day.

The exhibition which is in support of Little Bridge House Children's Hospice, runs from **Saturday December 1st** until **Sunday December 30th 2012** and draws together a warm, rich and vibrant palette in the kind of unique mixed media show that the gallery has become renowned for and that includes some beautiful but affordable pieces that would make the perfect gift for the most discerning of Christmas stockings.

The show features work by the very gifted mix of artists who are residents at the 360° Trust's Studios at the Old Sawmills in Filleigh and features brand new work by: **Amy Nottingham** whose paintings often begin by pouring on layers of pure yellow paint to become a metaphor for the search for the ideal, the pure and the unfettered, the sunshine; this search seemingly constantly disrupted only to remind us that perfection is unattainable; **Helen Tranckle**, whose new Monoprints depict a sensuality and intimacy beyond unconventional boundaries which are both recognisable and at the same time alluring, using an abstract representation to define the most intimate moments of a physical connection and **Ruth Elizabeth Bateman** who is showing more of her very popular wire sculptures inspired by nature including boxing hares and Swarovski crystal encrusted jewellery.

Special guest exhibitors include London based sculptor **Pete Sherrard** whose stunning work explores the way our bodies can speak what we fail to express when using words. By blending the human figure with aesthetically driven, natural forms he creates sculptures that are not based on a defined, single statement but an ambiguous and complex set of emotions and furniture designer and maker **David Ames**, who makes furniture for you to sit on, eat off, work at, sleep in and dream about. Working with the natural beauty of the timber, as an intrinsic part of the design, David crafts the wood using a mix of traditional and modern techniques to produce pieces with an organic energy and contemporary feel.

'Gifted' at thegallery@360° is open from **Saturday December 1st to Sunday December 30th 2012** from **10.30am to 5.30pm**, **Wednesdays to Sundays** at the Old Sawmills, Filleigh, Near South Molton, N Devon EX32 0RN. See www.360trust.org or call 01598 760658 for more details.

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About the 360° Trust and thegallery@360°

Established in 2007 by ex Saatchi & Saatchi and international advertising agency exec' turned contemporary furniture designer - maker Jonathan Kiff, the 360° Trust (360 Degrees Trust) is a not-for-profit company with charitable objectives and corporate social responsibility at its core.

Combining the principles and values of social enterprise with those of co-operative ownership and management, it is unique; a hybrid that seeks to bring the best of these different models to bare on finding practical solutions to the challenges faced by creative businesses through the provision of affordable workshop, studio and business facilities in a mutually supportive creative environment to craftsmen and women who work or who wish to work in the contemporary applied and fine arts.

thegallery@360° first opened its doors in June 2009 and has gained an enviable reputation amongst contemporary art lovers across North Devon, Exmoor and beyond for showcasing work of only the highest quality and originality. Housed in the historic Old Sawmills, a grade II listed former watermill that is home to the 360° Trust's workshops and studios in Filleigh, near South Molton, North Devon, it is a unique venue for the discerning contemporary art enthusiast that actively supports emerging and established artists through selective and deliberately infrequent exhibitions through out the year.

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