



Suzy Abrahams' Kiwi painting forms part of her Exotica exhibition.

## 'Mouth-watering' display captures fruitful exotica

FOLLOWING the success of her solo Gaudi-inspired first exhibition at the Fountain Gallery, last September, talented and versatile artist Suzy Abrahams will be returning with an entirely new collection of exciting work based on exotic fruits.

The exhibition *Exotica* will take place at the Fountain Gallery, Hampton Court from Tuesday, July 24.

During a recent trip to Cape Town, Suzy was inspired by the wonderful variety of exotic fruits she had tasted.

"I spent a great deal of time looking at different fruits, their colours and shapes, then slicing, halving, quartering and peeling them to discover the secret colours and textures inside," explained Suzy.

"Mouth-watering and realistic" have been words used to describe this new collection of larger-than-life acrylic and mixed media paintings. However, Suzy stresses that her process of painting is not necessarily to achieve a photographic likeness.

Goldsmiths' graduate Suzy is on a continual learning curve with her art.

"When painting *Kiwi*, I visited the National Gallery in London and studied the famous *Whistlejacket* by George Stubbs to discover how to paint the hairy outer skin of the fruit."

Suzy's online galleries can be viewed on [www.suzyabrahams.com](http://www.suzyabrahams.com)

Suzy has exhibited in London and the home counties. She has had a career as a graphic designer working in point of

sale, publishing and advertising before turning freelance.

Suzy's work has found clients in the UK, USA, Japan and the Netherlands and a permanent collection of her work can be admired at Crawley Hospital, West Sussex.

Suzy's paintings will be complemented by sculptor, Joanne Gardner's, stylish, contemporary etched glassware, which is all produced from her workshop in Watford. Joanne's galleries can be viewed at [www.fourhands.co.uk](http://www.fourhands.co.uk)

■ *Exotica* will run at the Fountain Gallery, East Molesey, from Tuesday, July 24 - Sunday, August 5 2007.

Telephone: 020 8941 5865 [www.fountaingallery.co.uk](http://www.fountaingallery.co.uk). Admission is free. The gallery is closed on Mondays.