

# Stroll along Thames that inspired an art exhibition



Artist Suzy Abrahams.

AN exhibition of paintings inspired by a stroll along the Thames goes on show at the Fountain Gallery next week.

Artist Suzy Abrahams was moved to paint the gardens at Hampton Court Palace as she walked along the river path.

She has now put together a series of paintings that capture various glimpses of the famous landmark.

Suzy said: "I became mesmerised by the gardens and found myself returning again and again to observe different light and seasonal changes,

always finding new inspiration."

She also had the idea of photographing her work in the gardens.

"I felt compelled to experiment further with defining my glimpses," Suzy added. "I was surprised how tiny my 3ft canvases appeared once they were placed back in the surroundings but when passersby entered the frames, it all made sense."

Suzy's work is already a hit with staff at the palace.

Customer relations manager Sue Whittaker said: "I really like

the canvases — both for themselves and against the backdrop of the palace."

Appearing alongside the images of Hampton Court at the gallery will be bowls, vases and pots made from local wood harvested by woodturners Brian Ash and Jeff Cordery.

*Glimpses — Hampton Court Palace Gardens* runs at the Fountain Gallery, Bridge Road, East Molesey, from May 13 to May 25. Admission is free.

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