Artsreach (Dorset) and Villages in Action (Devon) commissioned the highly acclaimed wildlife photographer Ben Osborne to record a photographic journey of the Jurassic Coast, England's first natural World Heritage Site.

This exhibition brings together Ben's exploration of 'deep time'; of the extraordinary geology underpinning the landscape, how nature has invaded it, and the human story of the ways we have moulded and used the coast. Ben's journey was not a solitary one – he travelled with three other companions: poet Matt Harvey, sculptor Lal Hitchcock and musician Sammy Hurden.

Through photography, sculpture, poetry and music **DEEP TIME** illustrates the Jurassic Coast's magnificent tapestry of beaches, bays and cliffs. It depicts 185 million years of earth history in just 95 miles covering the Triassic, Jurassic and Cretaceous periods: past climates, mass extinction events, and how man has shaped the landscape.

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Nether Compton Village Hall DT9 4OA Morden Village Hall BH20 7DT The Exchange, Stur. Newton DT10 1OU Cerne Abbas Village Hall DT2 7GY

Sat 17 & Sun 18 Sept 10.30am - 4pm Sat 1 & Sun 2 Oct 10.30am - 4pm Sat 22 – Mon 24 Oct 10.30am – 4pm Sat 29 & Sun 30 Oct 10.30am – 4pm

Springs Gallery, Farringdon EX5 2HY Old School Centre, South Brent TO10 9BP Stockland Victory Hall EX14 9EF Kennaway House, Sidmouth EX10 8NG

Sat 10 & Sun 11 March 11am – 4pm Sat 24 & Sun 25 March 11am – 4pm Sat 31 March & Sun 1 April 10am-4pm Thur 12 – Thur 19 April 11am – 4pm

The Malthouse, Lyme Regis DT7 3PU Fri 4 – Mon 7 May 11am - 4.30pm This will be part of the 2012 Jurassic Coast Earth Festival: a celebration of England's only natural World Heritage Site. Embracing our shared global heritage, it brings together an exciting 4 month programme of events, activities and exhibitions across Dorset and East Devon from 4 May - 9 September. www.earthfestival2012.org

Fine Foundation Gallery,

Durlston Country Park, Swanage BH19 2JL 23 June - 27 August 10.30am - 4pm

# things to do

There will be a programme of participatory events, workshops and talks taking place across rural Dorset and East Devon during autumn 2011 and spring 2012. These events, such as photography, singing workshops and geology talks, will be inspired by and related to the Jurassic Coast.

If you would like to be kept updated about this programme, please contact Artsreach (for Dorset events): 01305 269512 or Villages in Action (for Devon events): 01363 773660. You can also keep up to date with news via our websites:

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## exhibiting artists

**Ben Osborne** landscape & wildlife photographer

Shell Wildlife Photographer of the Year 2007 Ben Osborne is well known for his specialised wildlife and landscape photography, often in remote and inaccessible parts of the world. Ben has shot production stills for many wildlife TV series such as Life in the Freezer and Planet Earth, working with the BBC Natural History Unit and Sir David Attenborough.

### **Matt Harvey** poet

Poet and performer Matt Harvey is a regular contributor to BBC Radio 4's Saturday Live and writes the Desktop Poetry slot in The Guardian. Matt was poet-in-residence at Wimbledon Tennis 2010.

### Sammy Hurden musician

The coastal landscape around Bridport has been a constant source of inspiration for musician and songwriter Sammy Hurden. She has written music for both stage and screen.

### Lal Hitchcock sculptor

Dorset-based beachcomber and sculptor Lal Hitchcock creates humorous figures from flotsam, ietsam and litter that she finds along the shoreline of the **Jurassic Coast.** 



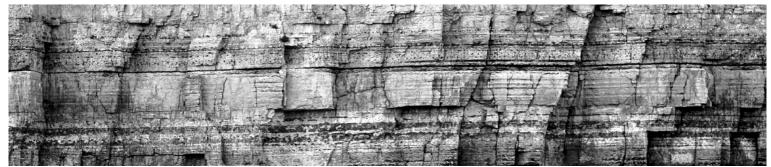


photo by Ben Osborne



# DEEP TIME activities



To link in with **DEEP TIME: the Jurassic Journey exhibition**, Artsreach has put together a programme of participatory events focusing on the heritage of the Jurassic Coast, taking place across Dorset throughout the summer of 2012.

### 'Focus on Fossils' photography workshop with Ben Osborne

Sat 12 May, 9.30am – 5pm Community Room, Town Mill, Lyme Regis

A practical photography session, focussing on the fossils, stunning cliff scenery and ammonite pavements of Lyme Regis – a highlight of the Jurassic Coast.

COST £40; BOOKING 01305 269512

### Twilight photography workshop with Ben Osborne

Mon 18 June, 5pm – 10pm Durlston Country Park

An outdoor evening workshop to appreciate the twilight on this spectacular section of the Jurassic Coast. There will be plenty of opportunity to develop your macro photographic skills focusing on the local flora and fauna. As the light fades, head for the cliffs to photograph the twilight on the sea.

COST £30; BOOKING 01929 424443

### **DEEP TIME Guided exhibition talk** with Ben Osborne

Wed 27 June, 7.30pm Fine Foundation Gallery, Durlston Country Park

Award-winning photographer Ben Osborne gives a guided critical talk around the Deep Time exhibition and discusses how and why some of his images were created and what they say about the coast.

COST £8; BOOKING 01929 424443

### Singing workshop with Sammy Hurden

Sat 4 August, 10.30am – 4pm Durlston Country Park

An uplifting singing workshop, learning songs Sammy has written inspired by her journey along the Jurassic Coast, with a chance to sing outside in Dorset's equivalent of the Minack Theatre! All abilities and ages welcome.

COST £25; BOOKING 01929 424443

### Coastal landscape photography workshop with Ben Osborne

Sat 11 August, 10am - 5pm The Heritage Centre, West Lulworth

A photographic exploration of Lulworth Cove and its surroundings. There are plenty of excellent landscape subjects, including the nearby Fossil Forest, a very unusual and visually engaging geological formation.

COST £40; BOOKING 01929 400587

NB: ADVANCE BOOKING IS ESSENTIAL AS PLACES ARE LIMITED!

Please bring a fully charged camera, leads, sturdy footwear and packed lunch as appropriate