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HIGH TIDE AT THE DEEP

The Deep, Hull's £45.5m Millennium Commission lottery project is hosting a photographic exhibition by Simon Warner at The Deep from 1-31 March 2004. The show entitled 'High Tide' uses panoramic photographs and digital stills to explore the North Sea coasts and estuary landscapes around the Humber and Rhine Delta.

The exhibition which is open from Monday 1st March until the end of the month shows images which compare both the regions which are connected by the Hull-Rotterdam shipping corridor and share a long history of flood defence and are both vulnerable to new threats from rising sea level. In England and the Netherlands new policies are being implemented to protect the low-lying hinterland from the effects of this global warming in sustainable ways. The exhibition shows some of this work in progress, and examines the pressures on the East Yorkshire and Lincolnshire coasts, the Humberhead Levels and south-western Netherlands which are already turning these fragile environments into strange and dreamlike landscapes.

Simon Warner explains

" The spectacular location of The Deep at the confluence of two rivers flowing into the estuary makes it an ideal venue for the subject matter. The exhibition gives visitors the opportunity to discover the similarities and differences between these two coastlines"

The Deep PR Manager Linda Martin commented,

" I am delighted that The Deep has been selected to host this superb exhibition. Simon's show is concerned with raising awareness of conservation issues which ties in well with our work here at The Deep. Hosting the show also demonstrates how The Deep is growing as an arts venue as well as a tourist attraction."

Further information

High Tide is a partnership between Simon Warner, the Environment Agency, East Riding of Yorkshire Council, The Countryside Agency and WL Delft Hydraulics. The exhibition is free of charge, open daily 10am – 6pm throughout March and is located around the third café and Observatory areas of The Deep.

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