

Keiron Leach, Creydi Nevill, Ed Crumpton: three painters living and working in North Devon – Barnstaple, Ilfracombe and Swimbridge respectively. We banded together in November 2009 with the determination to stage a series of collaborative exhibitions and reach a geographically wide audience.

After researching into and organising venues – a continual and significant task – we staged our first show together in April 2010. We have since been very busy with a regular and full calendar. Having together a number of exhibitions under our belt we are now able to both enjoy a growing fan base, and qualify ourselves as being a capable and dependable unit. It is our great priviledge to have already exhibited in a venue of very significant stature, and to be displaying increasingly ambitious work.

We are all very different in our stylistic approach, which is beneficial as it gives our shows breadth and interest. The work we produce is mature and settled but is of course evolving, and sensitive to each venue in which we display. The very fact that we are exhibiting regularly and in large spaces has undoubtably accelerated our artistic development and stretched our creativity. We are very keen to find and engage with our audience and have been encouraged by very positive feedback. People are generally impressed that we have troubled to travel to them, and a good proportion have some personal experience of the Westcountry, if not of Devon itself.

In the coming year we aim to extend our coverage both throughout England and also into Wales and Scotland. We would in due course also very much like to take a show overseas and experience the International reaction.