

Notes from An Open Field – (working title)

Web Design/Illustration Brief

Fevered Sleep is looking for an illustrator to work with our in-house web developer and Associate Artist Luke Pell to realise a new online artwork for Spring 2014. The work is drawn from a series of intimate 'walking-talking' encounters with people across the UK, reflecting upon their connectedness to the natural world, what and where they call home and what this means for their sense of wellbeing,

Mission statement

Fevered Sleep creates new work in performance, installation, film, publication and digital art, for children and for adults.

Our work takes place in arts venues such as theatres and galleries, in unusual places and interesting sites, and in the physical and virtual spaces people encounter in their everyday lives. Whatever we make, and wherever it's found, we seek to provide thought-provoking, surprising and intimate experiences that encourage people to see the world in new and unexpected ways. Committed to research and fearless about experimentation, we aim, in each of our projects, to discover something fresh about the art forms in which we work. All our work grows through collaboration and conversation: with world-class artists, with expert thinkers and researchers, with scientists, with members of the public, and with our audiences.

Project background

The project takes into consideration the distinct habitats set out in the RSPB 2013 State of Nature Report - Farmland – Lowland – Upland – Woodland – Coastal - Freshwater and Wetlands – Urban - Brownfield and Marine - whilst mapping the participants' experiences of changes in the UK landscape and wildlife in relationship to historical and more personal ones. 30 people will have participated in the project by the end of December 2013. A series of poetic texts will be created by Luke from the encounters with participants.

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Brief

We are looking for an illustrator to draw an abstracted map of the UK that will depict the habitats outlined above. This will act as a visual means for navigating this online archive of experiences.

The map will be made of nine individual illustrations, one for each of the aforementioned habitats. When assembled together, this will form a map of the UK.

Photographs and field notes from the encounters will be available for the artist use as source material if necessary.

A few additional drawings based on the aforementioned habitats will also be needed to accompany the poetic texts; this will be discussed and agreed with the chosen artist.

Fees

We can offer £850 – £1,000 for the project, depending on the concept for the work.

Once we have chosen the right illustrator, you will be required to attend a project kick-off meeting with the Associate Artist, web designer and Artistic Director.

You will also be required to maintain good communications with Fevered Sleep throughout the project, and update us regularly via telephone/email on progress.

Timescale

The initial kick-off meeting will happen immediately after the illustrator has been chosen.

The drawings will need to be delivered early March 2014.

The website will be made available online end of March 2014.

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Application

If you are interested in the project or for more information, please submit a short response to luke@feveredsleep.co.uk with examples of existing work.

Illustrators with a background or interest in cartography/landscape drawings will be preferred.

Deadline for applications: Friday, 10th January

If you have any further queries, please contact admin@feveredsleep.co.uk

Additional information

- [The State of Nature report](#)
- [Above Me The Wide Blue Sky](#), the original Fevered Sleep performance installation which inspired this project.
- For examples of Fevered Sleep's previous work, please see feveredsleep.co.uk

Possible Map References:

- William Smiths 1815 - Geological Map: a delineation of the strata of England and Wales
- John Macculloch - A geological map of Scotland
- <http://www.scottlogic.com/blog/2012/07/06/uk-habitats.html>
- <http://www.naturalengland.org.uk/publications/nca/searchpage.aspx>
- <http://rangelstudio.com/matthew-rangel/transect-due-east>