

LUKE ADAM HAWKER

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Artist Statement

Luke Adam Hawker, an artist based in Surrey, finds inspiration by immersing himself in the world around him. Drawing on location has become his way of connecting with places, people, and the natural environment, allowing him to capture the essence and beauty of our world.

Luke will be presenting a new body of work that celebrates trees as 'Living Legends.' Each piece endeavors to convey the vital role that trees play in sustaining life on our planet and their enduring impact on human culture and history. Through his art, Luke hopes to inspire a sense of reverence and responsibility towards these ancient giants, encouraging us all to preserve and protect them for future generations.



*Luke drawing on location for his latest book, 'The Last Tree; A Seed of Hope'
Photo credit to Alex Leggatt*



Preview Etchings being released for Chelsea Flower Show

Luke Adam Hawker in Collaboration with St.James's, Piccadilly. The Wren Project.

Luke's upcoming collaboration with St James's Piccadilly involves drawing its magnificent Magnolia tree at the easel in the church grounds, before bringing the tree inside to be drawn amidst the beautiful surroundings of Christopher Wren's architecture. This initiative supports the fundraising campaign for the 'Wren Project', aimed at revitalising the historic church and its garden. Luke will contribute the original artwork for auction, with 50% of print sales proceeds also directed to the campaign.

St James's Piccadilly is set to become the first place of worship to have a show garden at RHS Chelsea Flower Show in recent years, designed by Robert Myers. This garden, sponsored by Project Giving Back will help support efforts to raise £20m for The Wren Project, highlighting the vital role of urban green spaces in healing and community outreach.



Chelsea Flower Show 2024 - Trade Show Stand



A key design feature of Luke's trade stand showcase at the Chelsea Flower Show, will be the dried canopy of flowers, covering the full expanse of the ceiling. Over the past six months Luke's studio in Dorking, Surrey, has been collecting 'used' flowers from neighbours, all in an effort to repurpose blooms past their prime. These have all then carefully hung and dried in the studio. The Mid Surrey Community Fridge has also played an integral role in this endeavor, generously collecting 'out of date' flowers from local Surrey supermarkets. All of these beautiful flowers, which might have otherwise met a different fate, will now grace the Chelsea Flower Show.