## Jonathan Cooper Park Walk Gallery

Press Release

### **JO OAKLEY**

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# JACQUELINE LEIGHTON-BOYCE

*Water, Heath, & Home* 4<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> February 2016



September, mixed media on canvas, 25 x 30cm by Jo Oakley

In February 2016 Jonathan Cooper will be holding its first joint show of new paintings by Jo Oakley and pottery by Jacqueline Leighton Boyce. Both artists share a love of landscape, the natural world, and the memories that ceramics can hold.

Jo Oakley's paintings celebrate the domestic world of the home, and the objects that are used and cherished within it. They often feature the motif of a scene viewed through a window, recalling her memory of watching the ebb and flow of the River Thames from the window of her childhood home in Greenwich, London.

Ceramicist Jacqueline Leighton Boyce lives and works in Exmoor, drawing inspiration from the landscape which surrounds her. This new body of work focuses particularly on the fragility and beauty of nature, seeking to respect and highlight the delicate balance of the natural world.

Visitors will have the opportunity to compare the artists' similar approach to technique, and the way in which they build the surfaces of their work, whether through numerous layers of paint on gesso, or slips, underglazes, and lustres.

### **Listing Information:**

The gallery is open Monday – Friday 10am – 6.30pm and Saturday 11am – 4pm. Free Admission. Jonathan Cooper Park Walk Gallery, 20 Park Walk, London, SW10 0AQ.

### **Press Information:**

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Without the Bees, terracotta, 22 x 30 x 20cm, by Jacqueline Leighton Boyce

### **Notes to Editors:**

Trained at Central Saint Martins, **Jacqueline Leighton Boyce** lives in Exmoor. Each of her works is unique and triple-fired, her enchanting illustrations built from multiple layers of slips, underglazes, glazes and lustres. Her work has been exhibited in both the UK and USA, including the Horniman Museum, London.

**Jo Oakley** - (b. 1964, London, UK) - lives and works in London and on the Kent Coast. She regularly exhibits at the Royal Academy Summer Exhibition, has had solo shows at Smelik & Stokking, Holland, and frequently exhibits in group exhibitions.

**Jonathan Cooper Park Walk Gallery** - founded in 1988 - is a London based contemporary art gallery specialising in representational drawing, painting, photography and sculpture. The gallery is a member of SLAD (The Society of London Art Dealers), BADA (The British Antique Dealers Association) and LAPADA (The Association of Art & Antique Dealers), and regularly exhibits at international art fairs.