

AN artist with a shop in Christchurch, who also sings in and manages New Forest choirs, will be exhibiting her colourful and realistic oil paintings at the Bournemouth International Centre.

Southbourne-based Kate Marr completed a fine art degree 10 years ago then taught herself to paint with oils and developed a successful career as an artist. Her artistic practice is varied in subject matter, with a slightly impressionist style and attention to detail.

After moving to Bournemouth from London a few years ago, Kate developed a love of the scenery, painting ponies and trees, portraits and seascapes and undertaking commissions of any subject – often people and pets. She exhibits

regularly at local venues and sells her artwork and merchandise at her shop.

Entry to see her latest collection, *Vibrancy*, in the Bourne Gallery from tomorrow (Saturday) to 31st October, is free, and the display is open daily from 10am to 5pm. Paintings, prints and merchandise are available for sale, and visitors can order commissions. Painting demonstrations will be held next week, during half term.

Kate sings in the New Forest Chamber Choir and voluntarily manages the New Forest Childrens' Choir, both of which are non-profit making and community orientated and perform at venues such as Beaulieu Abbey, Christchurch Priory and the Royal Festival Hall in London.