

BORN TO PAINT

Mary Bremner talks to Gloucestershire based wildlife artist Jackie Garner.



NAME
JACKIE GARNER

AREA
GLOUCESTERSHIRE

MEDIA
WATERCOLOURS
AND ACRYLICS
BUT ALSO PENCIL
AND CHARCOAL

PROFESSION
ARTIST

To view Jackie's work or to discuss a commission visit her website at www.jackiegarner.co.uk or call 01453 847420

Jackie Garner is Gloucestershire born and bred, being brought up next to Rodborough Common where she spent a lot of time as a child, roaming around watching the wildlife. She always had a fascination for natural history and, best of all, had an ability to draw what she saw – a hobby that meant she was always painting.

Having left school Jackie attended the Medway College of Design where she studied 3D design working in metal and wood during the day, but at night she painted! After college she worked as an education officer at the Nature in Art Museum near Gloucester where she was really able to indulge and combine her love of nature and art. It proved an ideal job because it meant working longer hours in summer...and time for painting in the quieter winter months. "I love deer and can actually watch roe from my studio window. They're fascinating animals which I love sketching and painting" she says.

Turning professional

Three years ago Jackie turned professional and has since exhibited locally as well as in London and at the Midland Game Fair. Now, having branched out into sporting art as well as producing puzzles she plans to be at this year's CLA Game Fair as well.

Jackie is now starting to attend shoots to gain more experience and has had a clay shooting lesson which she enjoyed hugely and can't wait to repeat. **SG**

