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# Scottish artists bring nature into healthcare

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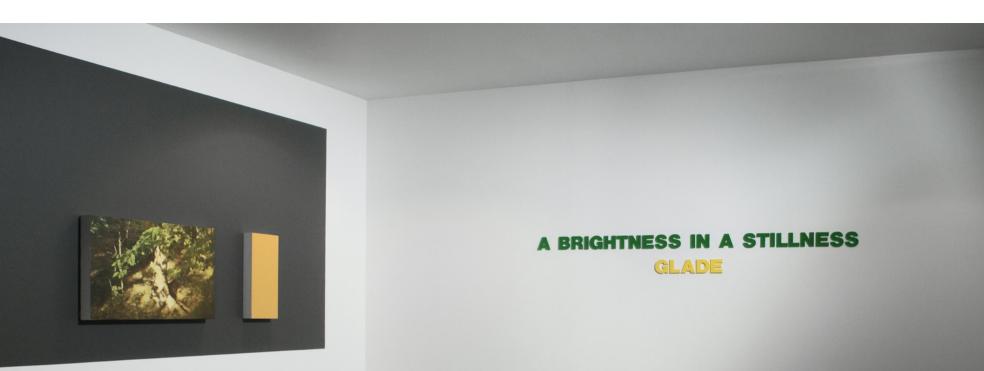
# Thomas A Clark Poet New Stobhill Hospital





#### THE DIFFERENCE THAT ONE COLOUR MAKES TO ANOTHER







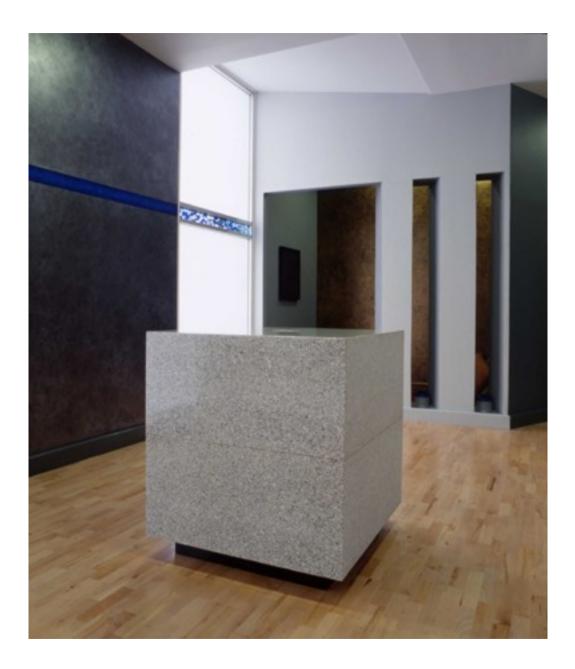


Together with such familiar architectural devices as uncluttered spaces, glass walls or open courtyards planted with trees, words can also help to bring the outside in, to enlarge through a range of references the imaginative space of a building or a room. In a situation where language usually plays a specialised or informative role, and is often unintentionally confusing or alienating, the names of trees, butterflies and grasses, or short poetic texts about the landscape, allow a subtle transformation: the situation is not only as it appears to be but as it is said or thought to be.

### Thomas A Clark http://thomasaclarkblog.blogspot.co.uk/

Donald Urquhart Visual Artist The Sanctuary, Edinburgh Royal Infirmary







## Dalziel + Scullion Visual Artists Vale of Leven Health Centre

Realm of the Oystercatcher 2011



Four lightboxes commissioned by The State Hospital, Carstairs, responding to the presence of a particular species of bird that is somewhat synonymous with the hospital: the Oystercatcher – a noisy, excitable yet wary bird whose piercing enigmatic call can be heard a long way off, here they live relatively predator free within the confines of the hospital and as such many breeding pairs are provided with a uniquely sheltered home to which it has lent a distinctive acoustic accompaniment – "kleep, keep" – a sound that remains with many who pass through the hospital. Images were also made of the bird in it's more 'natural' setting in locations local to the hospital and on the outer hebrides (acknowledging the hospitals intention to use the names of Scottish islands to map its new buildings).









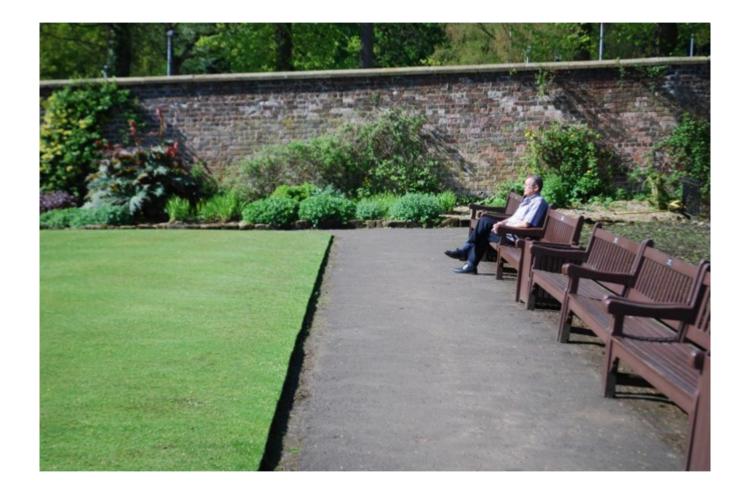
"Our work explores mankind's relationship with nature and how we interact with the ecology of the earth.

We believe that new ideas and ways of living will be born out of revolutionary attitudes towards nature, ...we need to awaken to the fact that the earth does not revolve around mankind.

Our studio strives to challenge existing attitudes towards nature and reawaken audiences to a wider ecology that encompasses both the abundance and limitations of the earth's bounty." Dalziel + Scullion

### Dalziel + Scullion http://www.dalzielscullion.com

Alexander Hamilton Visual Artist Dignified Spaces Project, New South Glasgow Hospitals





















DESIGNING FOR DIGNITY Informed by Community Engagement Inspired by Nature



Design and Art for Quiet Rooms

The art, an essential element within the rooms, is integrated with the furniture and lighting designs. The approach is to create within the Quiet Rooms an informal and friendly atmosphere. The use of more than one picture intergrated with the wallpaper will help to achieve this.







#### E.O.Wilson

"...which I will be so bold as to define as the innate tendency to focus on life and lifelike processes." Biophilia

#### John Ruskin

"...his 'organic vision': a way of seeing the natural world as an integrated whole, resembling a living organism in which the component parts undergo individual variation and growth, subject to certain fundamental laws of life." (Davis)

### **Alexander Hamilton**

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