SAMPHIRE HOE Year of the Artist

from Esme McConnell Arts Development Officer for Dover District Council

OVER THE EASTER WEEKEND part of the White Cliffs of Dover Samphire Hoe will at be transformed into a huge canvas. This Lottery funded 'Year of the Artist' project enables artists nation-wide to develop new work in new contexts. The painter Joanna Jones, who lives in is working with Dover. Eurotunnel Developments and The White Cliffs Countryside Project on the Artwork, which will be open to the public from dusk on Good Friday (13th April) until dawn on Easter Monday (15th April) 2001 at Samphire Hoe.

Joanna Jones' Artwork will integrate the dramatic cliff face at Samphire Hoe into a 'painting' through the use of projection. The image can be seen intensifying, evolving and unfolding as the sun sets, coming to its full strength in full darkness. It dissolves again at dawn. Samphire Hoe will be open until midnight on all three days of the project and from 5am (1 hour before dawn) on 14th and 15th April.

Samphire Hoe is off the A20 between Folkestone and Dover. Entrance is FREE and parking and refreshments are available. For further information please call Samphire Hoe on 01304 225649. During the Easter Weekend, a series of additional FREE events are being organised to coincide with the Artwork at Samphire Hoe:

Friday 13 April

LANTERN MAKING 2pm Preparing lanterns for the evening procession LEADER: Whole Hog Arts Co. WCCP (01304 225649) MEET: The office at Samphire Hoe DURATION: 2 hours

LANTERN PROCESSION 8pm

A lantern procession on the Hoe finishing by Joanna Jones' Artwork on the cliff LEADER: Paul Holt WCCP (01304 225649) MEET: The office at Samphire Hoe DISTANCE: 1 mile (1 hour)

Saturday 14 April

THE CHANGING FACE OF SAMPHIRE HOE 7pm

A gentle walk around the Hoe discovering how the newest part of Kent was made and the wildlife that has arrived. The walk will finish in front of the Artwork on the cliff face as the sun is setting

LEADER: Paul Holt WCCP (01304 225649) MEET: The office at Samphire Hoe DISTANCE: 2 miles (1.5 hours)

Sunday 15 April

EASTER EGG PAINTING 2pm

Please bring an unpainted hard boiled egg for each child

LEADER: Paul Holt WCCP (01304 225649) MEET: The office at Samphire Hoe DURATION: 1.5 hours

MUSIC AT THE HOE 8pm

Listen to music, relax and absorb the atmosphere, as the sun sets and the image of the cliff face appears. Please bring something to sit on. CONTACT: Paul Holt WCCP (01304 225649) LOCATION: The back car park at Samphire Hoe DURATION: 1 hour approx