

## HEARTFELT DONATIONS

When the artist Caroline Shotton gave birth prematurely to her second son Elliot, she found great support from Bliss, a charity that provides information and back up for parents of special care babies. Determined to give something back to the charity she went on to produce two limited edition boxed canvases, 'Handle With Care' and 'Special Delivery', both of which depict the nature of just how fragile premature babies are, and how much care they need. When the promotion ends Caroline is expecting to hand over a cheque in excess of £10,000 to Bliss, in order to help them carry on their very valuable work.



## GOING GLOBAL

The brand new **Gallery of Modern Art** has just opened in a prestigious shopping mall, in down town Hong Kong. In tandem with this sees the opening of an equally impressive gallery, **Artiq**, in Melbourne, Australia. Light and airy, these new galleries show off the latest works from our most established artists, in a relaxed and spacious viewing environment, and both are already attracting an international crowd of art lovers.



## CELEBRITY MASTERCLASS

The artistic genius John Myatt continues to expand his reputation as one of the best painters in the country with a new TV series currently in production. The series for Sky Arts is celebrity based, and each week challenges the artist to create a likeness of the guest, in the style of a particular 19th or 20th Century master. Having already painted John Cleese at the Queen's House in Greenwich, in the style of Matisse, and Robin Gibb at his own 13th Century monastery near Oxford in the style of Van Gogh, the programmes are promising to be fascinating on every level. Viewers are not only engaged in a step-by-step masterclass in painting, but are equally regaled by the stories of the celebrity 'model'. The sitters who receive no fee for their co-operation but who do get to keep the finished portrait, have so far been pleased to participate, and thrilled with the results. *Provisionally titled Commission Impossible, the series is due to air on Sky Arts soon.*

# Update

NEWS FROM AROUND THE GLOBE

## MACKENZIE THORPE CELEBRATES 100<sup>TH</sup> EDITION



Artist Mackenzie Thorpe has achieved worldwide fame with his own unique collection of art that always touches an emotion within. With his new releases this autumn, he celebrates the very special release of his 100th lithograph limited edition piece for Washington Green. Titled 'My Dear Old Friend' the picture depicts love, life and the deeply felt emotion between a man and his best friend. This new piece along with 'A Dusting' and 'Under A Moon' looks set to be another successful milestone for the artist.