



BABY IMPOSSIMALS SET TO CAPTIVATE THE US



Award-winning Washington Green artist **Peter Smith**, creator of the wonderful Impossimal characters, has partnered with a US company to maximise the potential of his new Bimps - baby versions of the Impossimals, which he has developed for children aged three to six.

Peter is working with Los Angeles-based SuperTime Entertainment, a triple Emmy Award nominee, with the aim of launching the loveable Bimps in America as a television cartoon series

for children, followed by books and other media projects. He is also planning to take the characters to wider audiences world wide, with the partnership in the US the first stage.

Smith is no newcomer to children's branding and entertainment. Prior to returning to his first love - painting - he worked with Disney, Fox, Universal and the BBC, and for Fox/UK on The Simpsons. He was also appointed official artist for the BBC Children in Need campaign in 2005.

LAWRENCE COULSON COVERS A DEBUT ALBUM

The cover artwork for Ether's Edge debut album, 'Return to Type', has been created by Washington Green artist **Lawrence Coulson**. Entitled 'Fallen Angel', Lawrence painted the cover for his songwriter and musician friend Bazza Preece, who wrote and produced the album.

Very different to his usual style, Lawrence came up with a concept to reflect the music, which, he said, gave him a great opportunity for a new challenge and to go in a slightly different direction.

'Fallen Angel' also has interesting links to his past, as Lawrence's artist father, Gerald Coulson, painted the cover for Mike Oldfield's classic 'Five Miles Out' album, released in 1982.



THOUSANDS RAISED FOR CHILDREN'S CHARITY

Artists **Alexander Millar** and **Jeff Rowland**, and Washington Green, have raised a fantastic £4,461 for the new renal unit at Birmingham Children's Hospital.

The amount was raised by the artists donating all royalties from a limited edition print of their jointly created **Singin' in the Rain** painting, signed by each of them. Washington Green generously matched the figure, adding up to a substantial contribution to a very deserving cause.

FASHION AND ART UNITE



A portrait of Kate Moss by figurative artist **Simon Claridge** features as one of the top auction pieces at Debut, the first ever fashion event for Cancer Research UK, hosted by top fashion designer Henry Holland. The specially commissioned piece has been personally signed by the model and is expected to raise a significant amount during the event this Spring.