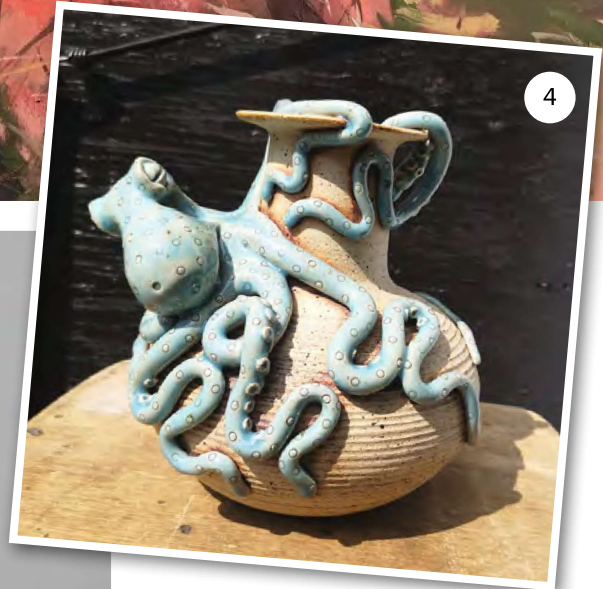




LOCAL TALENT:

# The Elements

This month we've chosen art inspired by the elements: the earth, soil and stone; the air, wind and weather, water and fire.



- 1 Black and White, a striking sculpture in stainless steel which comes alive in the sunlight by internationally acclaimed sculptor **Johannes Von Stumm**, renowned for incorporating the air in his design's cut-outs. £32,000 [vonstumm.co.uk](http://vonstumm.co.uk)
- 2 The Path to Zennor, a landscape of the rich reds of the earth, is painted in oils on board by **Paul Whitehouse**. £240. Contact Paul via [artweeks@artweeks.org](mailto:artweeks@artweeks.org)
- 3 Pretty elemental jug by potter **Tam Frishberg**, £60. Contact Tam via [artweeks@artweeks.org](mailto:artweeks@artweeks.org)
- 4 An Octopus vessel by **Abby Mason** oozes undersea character. Priced from £200. [@AbbyMasonCeramics](https://www.instagram.com/AbbyMasonCeramics)

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5 The sun sparkles on the water in *Gondolas at rest, Venice*, by **Dave Watts**. It's available framed at £275. @DaveWattsStudio

6 *White Horse Terrain Bowl* by **Nigel Edwards** is a wood ash glazed stoneware piece. £120, [nigeledwardsceramicartist.com](http://nigeledwardsceramicartist.com)

7 This *Either Side Ring* by jeweller **Sarah Pulvertaft** is crafted with 18Ct yellow and white gold and diamonds – did you know diamonds are formed entirely from carbon atoms? £4,500 [sarahpulvertaft.com](http://sarahpulvertaft.com)

8 Precious metal jewellery by **Guen Palmer**. This exquisite necklace is created with silver, 18ct gold & moonstone on an 18" silver chain. £350 by commission [guenpalmer.com](http://guenpalmer.com)

9 **Tim Kapp**'s oil on canvas, *Campfire* evokes memories of summer evenings by the tent, toasting marshmallows and sharing scary stories. £150 [timkapp.co.uk](http://timkapp.co.uk)



# OX CARES

## Love & Solidarity

The events of the summer have highlighted just how fragile our relationships are and how easily they can be fractured.

From such horrors however, once again the reaction from so many has been nothing short of inspiring.

In March 2023, Alana Stewart founded LOVE – a monthly, non-exclusive, trans-positive night for Oxford’s queer women and lesbians. In August, LOVE organised a food and toiletries drive for Asylum Welcome’s food bank, which serves migrants, asylum seekers, and refugees in need.

“Since the far-right riots erupted,” Alana says, “this country hasn’t felt safe for many. Those of us who don’t live in fear should be doing what we can to make people feel safe. We need to recognise that this wave of racist violence has been very much engineered, and the rhetoric has pitted marginalised groups against each other, causing us to forget how much we have in common. Acts of solidarity, like our donation drive, can go some way to combat that divisiveness. It was a small way to show that we reject the narrative that asylum seekers and migrants are the enemy. I also wanted to show some kindness and solidarity to the amazing people at Asylum Welcome who do incredible work and have been threatened and targeted.”

Creating a safe space is an active responsibility, it means continually showing up and getting involved in a way that lets people know that you’re there and you support them.”

Look around and you will find other initiatives across the city, each doing their part to bring people together and shun the damaging rhetoric which seems to have taken hold, most significantly across social media sites.

Find out how you can help Asylum Welcome at [asylum-welcome.org](https://asylum-welcome.org)



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- 10 Celebrating sand and sea, Tangalle boats, Sri Lanka by **Christine Bass**, is a framed acrylic and mixed media painting, £795 [christinebassart.com](http://christinebassart.com)
- 11 Iconic stonework from the Oxford skyline by printmaker **Deb Sutcliffe**. Giclee prints ranging from £45 [debsutcliffe.co.uk](http://debsutcliffe.co.uk)
- 12 Nistos by **Maggie Bicknell**, captures the morning mist lifting across the landscape. Framed oil on canvas, £150 [maggiebicknell.wordpress.com](http://maggiebicknell.wordpress.com)