

Press Release

**Craft Central
Reflect Forward Exhibition**

Alison Milner: Ceramic and Print Artist
New artworks inspired by the Wellcome Collection



Votive Offerings



Porcelain Prayers and fertility bracelet

Dates: 25 February – 21 March 2009, Wednesday – Saturday, 12 – 6pm (Free Admission)
Venue: Craft Central, 33-35 St John's Square, London EC1M 4DS

Alison Milner has achieved recognition for her exceptional visual language and stylish interior products. Her book, 'Inspirational Objects - a visual dictionary of simple elegant forms', was published in 2005 and in 2008 she launched her new "Spot & Dot" collection of Digital Formica tables and stools at 100% Design.

Craft Central's Reflect Forward initiative offers designer-makers the chance to research and show a new body of work and Alison Milner has built a poetic and quirky collection of highly desirable objects inspired by the Wellcome Collection Archives.

The archives house thousands of scientific and medical items and Milner's imagination was captured by the earthenware body parts that were used as votive offerings, leading her to create a 'craft' take on modern day quackery including a series of attractive ceramic trinkets designed to stimulate the power of the mind. As a centrepiece, Milner has worked with laboratory glassware producers to create an installation of individually formed flasks inscribed with ideal and non ideal qualities; a comment on the DNA lottery and the potential of genetic editing.

Notes to the Editor

Further information and high quality visuals are available from Craft Central: 020 7251 0276 or Alison Milner spellermilner@ntlworld.com www.spellermilnerdesign.co.uk/alisonhome

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