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## It's All 2 Much Art Gallery presents "This is Bristol" featuring the Bristol Map by Fuller



Bristol Map Copyright Fuller

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For more than 500 hours over a period of 3 years, Bristol-based artist Fuller (real name Gareth Wood) has spent much of his leisure time transforming a white 90cm by 90cm canvas into his own interpretation of Bristol using only black ink-filled technical pens.

The work has already attracted a lot of media interest in the Bristol area including TV (BBC Points West), internet (BBC News and Bristol Post websites), radio and local magazines such as The Bristol Magazine. We are therefore delighted that Fuller has asked It's All 2 Much Art Gallery to host the unveiling of the finished piece to the public on Saturday 31st May. The map will hold pride of place on our main exhibiting wall and will be accompanied by works from other Bristol-based artists Rowdy, Jim Starr, Lemak and Keith in an exhibition we have entitled 'This is Bristol'.



Bristol Map – Stokes Croft section Copyright Fuller

There is no text on Fuller's map, only symbols are used to portray key landmarks; symbols that are meaningful to Fuller from his many meanderings around the city. Some may be easily interpreted by the viewer – the pipe and slippers towards the top left hand corner in the Stokes Croft section above signify a well-known public house – whereas the star,

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spectacles, artist's palette and paint brush just above the pipe may not be quite so obvious (in fact it is our gallery – the star and spectacles represent our artists Jim Starr and Julian Quaye respectively).

We first experienced Fuller's extraordinary map work when he showed us his map of Purbeck 2 years ago; we were so impressed by his work that we persuaded him to lend it to us for our Black and White show. Since then he has been a regular contributor to our group shows and most of the pieces seen below have appeared on our walls.



Fuller's studio Copyright Fuller

'This is Bristol' exhibition starts on Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> May with the unveiling of Fuller's Bristol Map and a chance to meet the artist, and runs until Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> June at **It's All 2 Much Art Gallery, 124 Cheltenham Road, Montpelier, Bristol BS6 5RW**.

For more information, please contact the gallery by telephone on 0117 924 7522 or by email at art@itsall2much.com.