

Notes for editors

About the shipping forecast: The shipping forecast has been broadcast daily to British audiences since 1861, initially by telegraph and then by BBC radio. Issued by the UK's Met Office, it is a short marine weather forecast, but to British ears is so much more than that. Its staccato delivery combined with the magical names of the sea areas and the concise lyrical descriptions of the weather conditions have a poetic appeal that reminds listeners of who they are: islanders with a proud seafaring legacy.

About the British Cartographic Society: <http://www.cartography.org.uk/>

About the painting: <http://janetomlinson.com/artworks/attention-all-shipping/#about> High resolution images of the painting, suitable for print and web, are available on request.

About the artist: Jane Tomlinson paints magical things from the world around us: animals, birds, landscapes, pebbles and sometimes even whole continents. Jane uses careful drawing and strong colours to express the truth and beauty of nature. She lives in Eynsham, Oxfordshire.

Jane is available for interview.

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