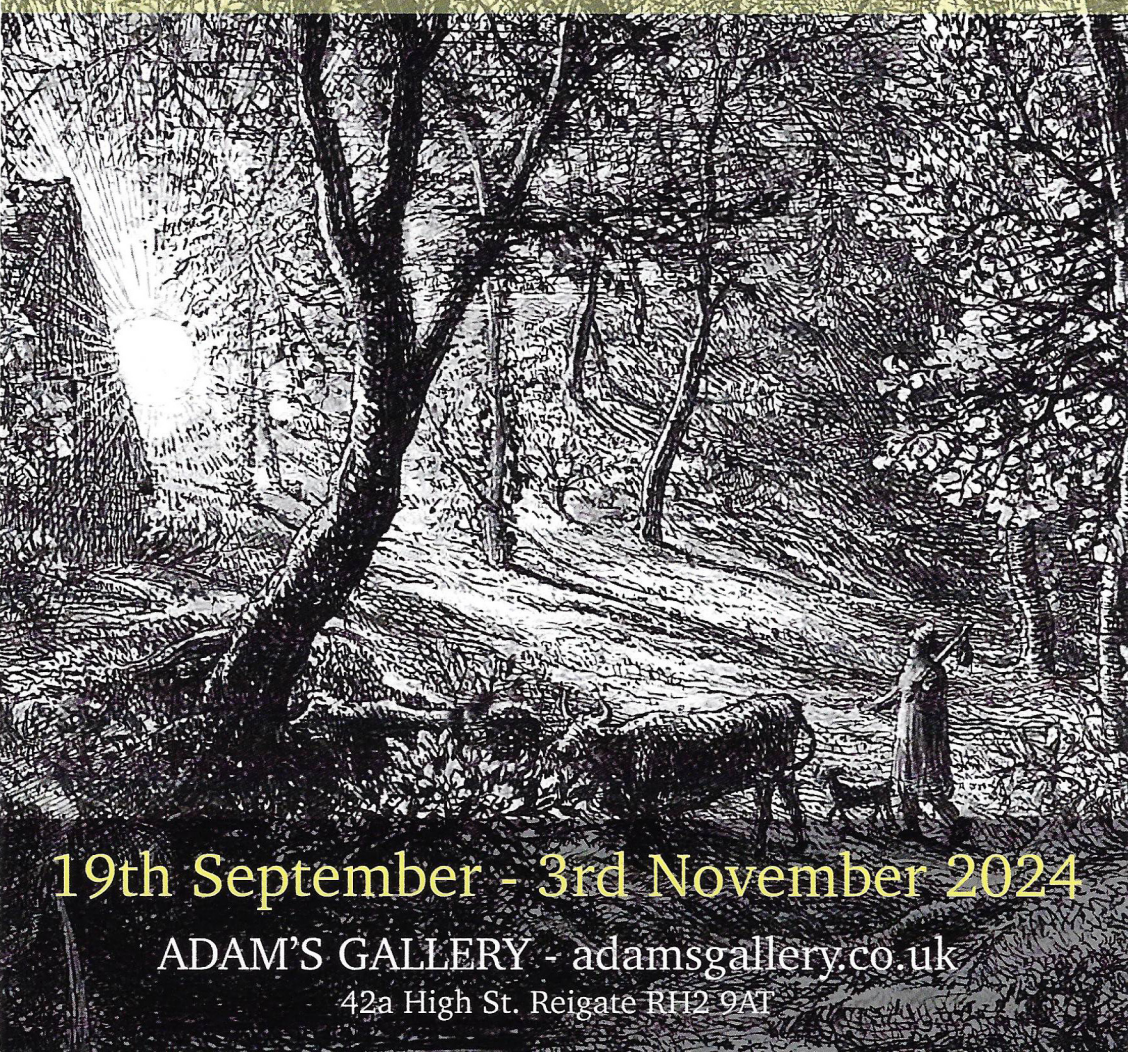


# When Palmer met Blake

1824 - 2024

Palmer Blake Sutherland Drury Calvert  
Nash Ravilious Bawden Desmet McKean & others



19th September - 3rd November 2024

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On October 9<sup>th</sup> 1824, Samuel Palmer's 'never to be forgotten first interview' with William Blake took place at Fountain Court: a tall, plain and rather morose red brick building on the Strand.

This first meeting was to have a profound effect on the young artist and would create a friendship that lasted until Blake's death three years later at the age of 70.

Adam's Gallery is pleased to present an exhibition and series of events to commemorate this first encounter.

Palmer spent the last twenty years of his life in Reigate and is buried in St Mary's churchyard along with his wife Hannah.

During his years in Reigate Palmer created many works of art, including watercolours and etchings. He is also known to have entertained Pre-Raphaelites such as Millais and Rossetti at his home.

In the 1920s Palmer's largely forgotten etchings were rediscovered by a group of artists studying at Goldsmiths University. In particular, artists Graham Sutherland and Paul Drury went on to create a body of work inspired by Palmer's pastoral vision, inspired by his unrivalled skills as a printmaker.

The exhibition features works by Palmer, Blake, Sutherland and Drury as well as many others, including contemporary artists who have been invited to respond to the show.

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## • **Exhibition dates: 19<sup>th</sup> September to 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2024**

- **Event: *Samuel Palmer's Earthly Paradise* - talk by Sarah Sullivan**

Venue: St Mary's Church Centre, Chart Lane. October 10<sup>th</sup> 6-9pm.

- **Introduction to dry point etching workshops at Reigate Art Studios with Mai Osawa**
- **Pre-booked private gallery tours (up to 10 people) with Palmer historian Sarah Newman, including wine and canapés. Dates: 26th Sept, 12th Oct.**

*- All details and tickets for events can be found on the website -*

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