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MUSEUM OF OUTDOOR ARTS PREMIERES

Griffin & Sabine and Beyond *Nick Bantock: A Retrospective*

On September 18th, 2010 The Museum of Outdoor Arts, in Englewood, will open

Griffin & Sabine and Beyond

Nick Bantock: A Retrospective

The exhibition will be the internationally popular artist's first ever retrospective and his first show in the United States.

Bantock's "Griffin & Sabine" trilogy essentially created a new literary genre by combining fine art, fiction, and 3-dimensional interactive books. Bantock's books have sold more than 3 million copies worldwide in 12 international editions; and the titles lingered 100 weeks on the New York Times best-seller list. Bantock has designed everything from postage stamps to pop-up books to the recently published Penguin edition of Chaucer's "Canterbury Tales."

For the MOA exhibition, Bantock is creating 80 new paintings or drawings - many in large format. Approximately 70 pieces of original art from his "Griffin & Sabine" trilogy will be on exhibit as well. Bantock will transform MOA's indoor galleries into various whimsical rooms such as "The Drawing Room" and "The Mail Room."

Nick Bantock is scheduled to arrive in Denver for the installation beginning September 11th and will be available for interviews. On September 18th MOA will hold a book signing from 4 to 5 p.m., which will be followed by an artist reception from 5 to 9 p.m. The opening is free and open to the public. The Museum of Outdoor Arts is located on the second floor of the Englewood Civic Center at 1000 Englewood Parkway, Englewood, CO 80110. For more information visit www.moaonline.org or call (303) 806-0444. The Museum of Outdoor Arts was founded in 1981 with the mission to make art part of everyday life.

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The Museum of Outdoor Arts (MOA) is a nonprofit organization dedicated to making the visual and performing arts accessible to everyone. Commonly referred to as "a museum without walls," MOA enhances public spaces by displaying art objects in the Denver metro area at Greenwood Plaza and City Center Englewood. The Museum of Outdoor Arts (MOA) receives partial funding from the City of Englewood and the citizens who support the Scientific and Cultural Facilities District—Arapahoe County as well as the Colorado Council on the Arts. The Museum owns and operates Comfort Dental Amphitheatre and is home to classrooms, art studios, and indoor galleries at its main headquarters on the second floor of the Englewood Civic Center, 1000 Englewood Parkway (at Hampden Avenue and Santa Fe Drive). The Museum is directly accessible from the Englewood Light Rail. The Museum is FREE and open to the public 9:00 am - 5:00 pm Monday - Thursday and 9:00 am - 4:00 pm Friday. Outdoor public art is always accessible. For images and more information, please call 303-806-0444 or visit us online at www.moaonline.org.

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