

Christmas 2021 Gift ideas from Ikon Gallery





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All purchases support Ikon Gallery, registered charity no. 528892.

FOR CHILDREN

Story & Truth - £9.99

This book came to life through a crowdfunded project and brings together Ian Douglas, a storyteller and theatre maker, and Ben Javens, a Birmingham based Illustrator. The tale centres around two characters: Story, a young man who travels the world meeting new people and being welcomed into their homes; and Truth, an elderly lady who carries the weight of the world on her shoulders. When the two meet they continue on their journey together, striving to make the world a better place. Publisher: How Brave is the Wren.

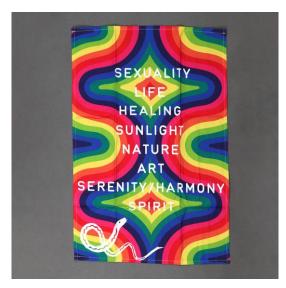
Coming to England - £6.99

This beautifully illustrated picture book follows the story of Floella Benjamin's journey from Trinidad to the UK in the 1960s. Overcoming adversity and making friends in a new place, Benjamin's experience was completely different to how she had imagined it. Publisher: Pan Macmillan.



FOR THE HOME





Provide Candles - £15.00

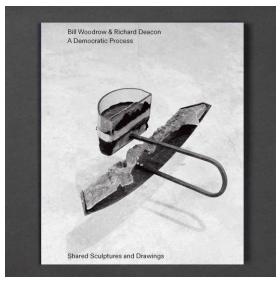
Provide are Midlands artisan makers who are passionate about producing quality lifestyle products promoting the region. Provide candles evoke Birmingham's iconic heritage, from the scent of Bournville's chocolate history to the blossom and citrus smells of The Botanical Gardens. Hand made in the Midlands, the candles are 200ml pure soy wax and last for approx. 40 hours. Scents include: Jeweller's Workshop, Beorma, Bournville, Botanical Gardens, Thousand Trades, Alright Bab.

Polly Apfelbaum Tea Towel - £40.00

Interested in the idea of creating kitchenalia in the form of a limited edition, artist Polly Apfelbaum collaborated with Ikon to make this tea towel during her solo exhibition in 2018. The rainbow motif and text are inspired by the original colours and meaning of the Pride flag.

FOR READING







The Colour Bible - £22.00

An essential source for graphic designers, artists, interior designers, fashion designers, illustrators and creatives of any kind who work with colour. Colour is intrinsic to the human experience; it guides us with subconscious visual cues throughout our lives. *The Colour Bible* is a contemporary handbook for navigating this fascinating world - it dives into 100 profiles of significant colours and tracks them through their genesis, historical usage in art and design, and contemporary connotations and uses. Publisher: Ilex Press

This Way to the Revolution - £15.99

Ian Francis, author and Director, Flatpack Festival, has created a book investigating art and activism in Birmingham in 1968. The book tells the stories behind Birmingham Arts Lab, Mothers club and Black Sabbath, and includes text by Edward Jackson and photography by Janet Mendelson and Nick Hedges.

Bill Woodrow & Richard Deacon: A Democratic Process - £24.00

Bill Woodrow and Richard Deacon have been making 'shared sculptures' together since 1990 and this new book is the first to showcase these works. The publication includes studio photographs and an introductory essay by art historian and curator Jon Wood. It is published to coincide with the artists' latest exhibition, *We Thought About It A Lot, and other shared drawings* at Ikon Gallery (September-November 2021). Publisher: Anomie Publishing.

Gender Euphoria - £9.99

This book features essays from 15 trans, non-binary, agender, gender fluid and intersex authors, as well as several essays from author and trans woman Laura Kate Dale. It seeks to show the world the sheer variety of ways being non cisgender can be a beautiful, joyful experience. Publisher: Unbound

FOR THE BODY





Materia Rica: Hand Tattoo Earrings - £22.50

These beautifully designed, delicate earrings are part of Materia Rica's Wood Hood range. Created in collaboration with Miriam Frank, an illustrator and tattoo artist based in Munich.

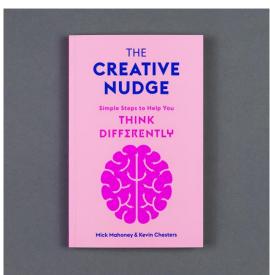


Punks and Chancers: Organic Ribbed Beanie - £22.00

Dyed in small batches and knitted in 100% organic cotton, these eco-friendly beanies come in burnt orange, evergreen, dust pink and mole grey, with a small *Yes Bab* label stitched on the fold. What a great way to keep warm in the winter and support your local independent maker.

FOR LIFE





Sort Your Life Out Journal - £14.95

Inside this daily planner are several handy features to help optimise your organisation efficiently, for both the list-maker and note-taker in mind. Each daily page is undated, removing the pressure to complete an entry every day so you can pick up where you left off. Publisher: Ohh Dear

The Creative Nudge - £12.99

Creative thinking is something everyone can do. It's a way of looking at the world afresh, doing new things in new ways and taking risks. A new behavioural science that reveals how small actions can have big impacts on our thinking, nudge theory powers this book. Use simple behaviour changes to retrain your brain and live a more creative and rewarding life. Publisher: Laurence King.

Visiting Ikon: Entry is free. For more information on current opening times and visiting guidelines please visit ikon-gallery.org

For more information, high-res images and to request interviews please contact Rebecca Small on 0121 248 0708 or email <u>r.small@ikon-gallerv.org</u>

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Note to Editors:

- 1. Ikon Shop is open Tuesday-Sunday, 10.30am-5pm. Last postage for guaranteed UK delivery for Christmas is Sunday 19 December (first class). Ikon is closed for Christmas: Friday 24 December 2021 to Monday 3 January 2022 inclusive.
- 2. Please note all dates are subject to change, in particular as a result of Government announcements relating to the Covid-19 pandemic.
- 3. Ikon is an internationally acclaimed contemporary art venue situated in central Birmingham. Established in 1964 by a group of artists, Ikon is an educational charity and works to encourage public engagement with contemporary art through exhibiting new work in a context of debate and participation. The gallery programme features artists from around the world and a variety of media is represented, including sound, film, mixed media, photography, painting, sculpture and installation. Ikon's off-site programme develops dynamic relationships between art, artists and audiences outside the gallery. Projects vary enormously in scale, duration and location, challenging expectations of where art can be seen and by whom. Education is at the heart of Ikon's activities, stimulating public interest in and understanding of contemporary visual art. Through a variety of talks, tours, workshops and seminars, Ikon's Learning Team aims to build dynamic relationships with audiences, enabling visitors to engage with, discuss and reflect on contemporary art. ikon-gallery.org
- 1. Ikon Gallery is supported using public funding from Arts Council England and Birmingham City Council.
- 2. Arts Council England is the national development body for arts and culture across England, working to enrich people's lives. ACE support a range of activities across the arts, museums and libraries from theatre to visual art, reading to dance, music to literature, and crafts to collections. Great art and culture inspires us, brings us together and teaches us about ourselves and the world around us. In short, it makes life better. Between 2018 and 2022, ACE will invest £1.45 billion of public money from government and an estimated £860 million from the National Lottery to help create these experiences for as many people as possible across the country. artscouncil.org.uk