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English artist Brian Catling at the Flinn Gallery 90th Anniversary Lecture Series at Greenwich Library

Greenwich, CT - Flinn Gallery 90th Anniversary Lecture series offers the opportunity to hear from leading experts in their field on a range of art-related topics.

The second lecture in the series, *The Artist as Writer*, features internationally-known, multi-talented artist and author **Brian Catling** on **Wednesday, April 10th, 2019 from 7:00 – 8:00 PM in the Cole Auditorium at the Greenwich Library**. A pre-lecture reception with the speaker will take place at 5:30 PM in the Flinn Gallery, where the current exhibition, *Spaces of Uncertainty*, will be on view.

Professor Emeritus of Art at Ruskin College, Oxford University, Mr. Catling has long been recognized for his work as poet, sculptor, performance artist, painter, filmmaker and, more recently, fiction novelist. His talk will focus on his journey and how the creative process translates and evolves into multiple disciplines, centered on his recently completed fantasy novel series, the Vorrh trilogy.

The Vorrh saga began with 2012's *Vorrh*, the first in a mystical series "midwived," according to Catling, by Vintage (Random House/Penguin). The tale of history, colonialism, geography and mythology was followed in 2017 by *The Erstwhile* and wrapped up in 2018 with *The Cloven*.

Speaking of his desire to stretch his imagination over several disciplines, Catling once said "I've always wanted more than one life. Inventing fiction, performing, they're all ways of being something else."

Glowing reviews for the Vorrh Trilogy have poured in from such prominent artists as Terry Gilliam ("*Brian Catling is simply a genius.*"); Philip Pullman ("*a very sophisticated and subtle exploration of the decadent, the primitive and the mythical.*"); Alan Moore ("*A phosphorescent masterpiece.*") and Tom Waits ("*I am glad to have the book as a companion on my own dark quest.*")

Catling has spent the past year on a book tour celebrating the finish of the trilogy, creating new work, judging art shows and presenting lectures such as this one. Don't miss the chance to hear from one of the most creative minds of our times. There will be a question and answer session following the lecture.

All lectures are open to the public and free of charge.

To register please visit:

<http://greenwichlibrary.evanced.info/signup/eventdetails?EventId=42770>

Flinn Gallery, sponsored by the Friends of the Greenwich Library, is located on the second floor of the Library's main branch at 101 Putnam Avenue, Greenwich, CT 06830. Gallery hours are Monday to Saturday 10am-5pm, Thursday until 8pm and Sunday 1-5pm. For more information, please call the Gallery: 203.622.7967 or visit the website, flinngallery.com.