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Exhibition of 8 artists from France and the UK at Dover, Walmer and Deal Castles

Transmettre/Transmit is the title of the cross border collaboration between Dover Arts Development - DAD and Espace 36, Saint-Omer. The project features temporary works by 8 contemporary artists in response to the theme of 'transmit' and to the castles' status as key heritage sites within Dover District.

The selected artists who are based in the South East region and Northern France have created works across a range of media including sound, photography, painting, video/film, sculpture, objects and installation. The artists will be at Walmer and Deal Castles each weekend to discuss the work.

Christine Gist, DAD partner and curator of Transmettre/Transmit commented, "We are excited about the opportunity of presenting innovative contemporary art across Dover District and hope that visitors to the English Heritage sites will enjoy the integration of art and heritage. Transmettre/Transmit and its related events contributes to East Kent's cultural offer and aims to position Dover District as a place to access high quality work by international artists".

A programme of free events is co-ordinated with Transmettre/Transmit. From 28 April until 11 May, 'Transmission of Knowledge' will be exhibited at St Margaret's Museum, St Margaret's Bay. This will feature work by students from Astor College for the Arts, Dover Girls Grammar, St Margaret's-at-Cliffe County Primary School and Sandwich Technology School which they have developed with the UK artists participating in the project.

On 15 May 2008, an afternoon symposium will be held at The Pines Calyx™, St Margaret's Bay aimed at arts organisations who would like to hear more about European Union funding and work with partners in mainland Europe.

Transmettre/Transmit takes place from 13 April - 1 June 2008. The artists are **Paul Cheneour, Isabelle Froment, Nigel Green, Johanne Huysman, Joanna Jones, Sylvain Lainé, Olivier Michel, Roy Smith**

Note to Editors

Transmettre/Transmit is part of *Embarkation*, Dover Arts Development's international programme of contemporary visual art. It is supported by Arts Council England, South East, the European Union through Interreg IIIA, SeaFrance Dover - Calais Ferries and English Heritage.

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