Getting inside The Outsider: House of Illustration and The Folio Society's inaugural book illustration competition

House of Illustration and The Folio Society have launched an exciting new competition with the chance to win a prestigious Folio commission illustrating Albert Camus's *The Outsider*.

This inaugural online competition, launched today, will require entrants to submit three illustrations and a binding design. Entrants must be over the age of 18 and not already Folio Society published illustrators.

The winner will receive a £4,000 Folio commission to complete a collection of seven illustrations for the book, which will be published by The Folio Society in the autumn of 2011.

Five runners up will each receive a £500 cash prize, and a minimum of three of the six prizes will go to students.

Flora Craig, the House of Illustration's Project Director, said: 'This is an extremely exciting initiative for both the House of Illustration and The Folio Society. A unique chance for established and emerging illustrators alike, we hope to encourage and help launch the careers of the best new illustration talent.'

The judges for the prize will include internationally acclaimed illustrator Quentin Blake, renowned British writer and actor, Simon Callow and illustrator, Laura Carlin.

The deadline for entries is 10 January 2011, and the winners will be announced at the beginning of February 2011.

Notes to editors:

The competition website can be found at

http://competitions.houseofillustration.org.uk/folio2010/

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