



**HARE TODAY:** Artist Joanna May is to have her work featured on the BBC Springwatch series

## Artist's passion caught on camera

**ARTIST** Joanna May, who is fast becoming one of the country's top wildlife artists, is to appear on the BBC TV Springwatch series.

Miss May's studio is in Hughenden Yard, in the High Street in Marlborough.

Each programme features a passionate person slot.

In one of first episodes of the series, starting at the end of June, Miss May will appear with the show's host Bill Oddie talking about her wildlife painting.

In the five years since she took over the studio in Hughenden Yard she has become known for her wildlife paintings, especially of hares in Wiltshire.

She has also been painting African wildlife including lions, zebra and giraffes. She is now working on a zodiac series featuring hares in scenes representing each of the 12 signs.

She said the BBC had wanted to feature her work for some time, but had waited for the right show to include her in.

She said: "Since my second year here they have been asking to film my work but they wanted the right show to put me on."

Miss May lives at Bourton near Shrivenham, and from the windows of her home she can see hares in the fields.

She said the TV cameras filmed her stood at her own front door looking across the fields at hares and photographing them.