



IN THE PICTURE: Joanna May with an owl similar to Harry Potter's Hedwig (8052/3CWK)

## Harry's magic inspires artist

THE phenomenal success of Harry Potter is rubbing off on wildlife artist Joanna May.

Among Marlborough-based Ms May's paintings are snowy owls and great owls like those that appear in the Harry Potter films.

They form part of an exhibition at her Studio Gallery in Old Hughenden Yard in the High Street that marks the first anniversary of her taking over the studio.

The artist said: "The theme is based around Harry Potter since one of my latest paintings is of a snowy owl which could easily be Hedwig, Harry Potter's owl."

Her latest painting of a Canadian great grey owl was just nearing completion ready for the exhibition when, she said, it was snapped up by a buyer for £1,750.

Her work can be viewed in the Studio Gallery on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays 10am to 5pm where she can also frequently be seen at work.