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The Visual Arts and Sustainable Agriculture in Britain

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Over 70% of the land area of the United Kingdom is used for agriculture, yet the realities of food production and farming life in Britain are often obscured or inflected by deeply embedded cultural myths and representations, of gendered, virtuous work, a sanitised existence of natural and social harmony, and/or symbolic links with nation itself. In addition, debates around sustainability have intensified in British agriculture, while it faces specific environmental problems and responsibilities. This Special Issue thus examines how the visual arts (art, photography, film) can not only interrogate and challenge assumptions but also explore transition in British agriculture and food production in relation to interlaced issues of identity. migration, colonial or post-colonial legacies, human and non-human equity, democratic access, localism, and community provision.

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