

GENESIS PUBLICATIONS LAUNCH LIMITED EDITION THAT LUCKY OLD SUN

FEATURING UNIQUE COLLABORATION BETWEEN BRIAN WILSON AND SIR PETER BLAKE

Genesis Publications, the world's leading publisher of signed and numbered limited edition books and fine art prints, announces the launch of *That Lucky Old Sun*, an extraordinary book and print set that is the culmination of a unique collaboration between one of popular music's most revered figures, Brian Wilson, and one of today's greatest British artists, Sir Peter Blake.

As Brian prepares to tour Europe and North America in 2009, this fine art boxed book and print set will launch with just 1,000 copies available worldwide. Described by Brian as "a spiritual record", it includes 12 exclusive new prints created by Peter, presented as numbered, fine art serigraphs.

The series of original collages draw their inspiration from the music of Brian Wilson's new masterpiece *That Lucky Old Sun*, offering a moving tribute to Southern California and a celebration of Brian's life and career. Sir Peter Blake comments, "It is extremely satisfying to bring the California that Brian sees to the page. *That Lucky Old Sun* is a 'collage of sound' which I'm very happy to make visual."

The cloth bound, hand numbered book is signed by both Brian and Peter. It includes an historical essay and brand new extensive interview with Brian by noted music journalist and author Harvey Kubernik, in which Brian speaks about the music and inspirations for the album *That Lucky Old Sun*. Also featured in the portfolio, enclosed within a cloth-bound box handcrafted in Italy, are Brian's hand-written sheet music and lyrics to the new track 'Midnight's Another Day' reproduced in facsimile, an original laminate VIP pass from the live performance of *That Lucky Old Sun* and a CD pressing of the album.

Brian Wilson is the creative force behind some of the most cherished recordings in history and one of the most influential composers of the last century. *That Lucky Old Sun* first appeared as a live performance commissioned by the Royal Festival Hall, London,

in 2007. A year later the work was developed in the studio and the result was Brian's first new full-length album in many years.

The pioneer of "Pop Art", Sir Peter Blake is an elected member of the Royal Academy, an associate artist of The National Gallery and, in 2003, more than forty years after his first solo exhibition, was knighted by Her Majesty The Queen for services to fine art. The last time Genesis Publications produced an edition with Peter – *Deluxe Summer of Love* – his work sold out in less than 24 hours.

Editor's Notes

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That Lucky Old Sun by Brian Wilson and Sir Peter Blake – the signed, handmade limited edition box set of 1,000 copies is available from Genesis Publications; www.genesis-publications.com. Tel +44(0)1483 540970. Pre-publication Price: £900.

About Genesis Publications

In 1974, Brian Roylance founded Genesis Publications with a vision to create limited edition books true to the arts of printing and craftsmanship, and to establish a community shared by authors and readers. In 1995, he found himself explaining the nature of handbound books in an interview with the New York Times. "I suppose to some extent I am stuck in a time warp. I don't know of many people who go to this much trouble to produce a book anymore. But I think there is a future for it." Today, Genesis is headed by Brian's son and daughter – Nicholas and Catherine – and continues to flourish, producing hand-signed, limited-edition volumes with outstanding authors that have recently included musicians such as Brian Wilson and The Rolling Stones, visual artists such as Shepard Fairey and Sir Peter Blake, and contributing writers such as Tom Hanks and Steven Spielberg. Over 35 years publishing, Genesis's subscribers are to be found in over 50 countries across the globe.

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