

# varoom

## Issue 42 – Intimacy

### Pitch Submission Guidelines

Varoom is the UK's leading illustration magazine, published annually by the AOI. It is edited by Olivia Ahmad and designed by Fraser Muggeridge studio.

Varoom is distributed in the UK and internationally and read by illustrators, designers, commissioners and people interested in contemporary visual culture.

Each issue is themed and explores different aspects of contemporary illustration, from comics and book illustration to gaming and animation. We are interested in innovative practice, developments in industry and the social, cultural and political impact of the work of illustrators. We publish longform articles, opinion pieces, interviews and image-based articles.

Extracts from [our current issue](#) and information on [back issues](#) is available on our website. We are now planning our 2021 issue, which will have the theme *Intimacy*, and we are seeking pitches

for articles that:

- connect with the theme
- focus on contemporary work made in the last 2 years (we will consider articles that include historic work where there is a direct connection with contemporary work)
- will be accessible and relevant to a broad range of readers (please note that Varoom is not an academic journal)
- are suitable for word count of between 750 and 1,500 words

To pitch an article please email Olivia Ahmad on [editor@theaoi.com](mailto:editor@theaoi.com) with the subject line 'Pitch – [title of your proposed article]' with a 250 word summary of your pitch, three images and up to two examples of your previous writing on illustration.

The deadline for submissions is **11 December 2020 at 5:00pm GMT**. We will respond to you within two weeks.

