

MA Fine Art Graduate Show 2017

PRESS RELEASE

Private view: Wednesday 13 September, 6pm to 9pm
Opening times: Thursday 14 September 10am to 7.30pm
Friday 15 September, 10 am – 5.00 pm
Saturday 16 and Sunday 17 September, 10am to 5pm



This year's MA Fine Art Show 2017 at City and Guilds of London Art School features work by 25 artists including graduating students, two Artists in Residence, The Worshipful Company of Painter-Stainers Fellow in Decorative Surfaces as well as the Print and Wood Fellows.

The Art School's traditional Victorian artists' studios and Georgian rooms play host to a wide range of ambitious and fascinating works. Each artist finds their own way to tackle the nuanced dialogues between the personal and the public, the material and the idea, the hand-made and the digital. The taxing question of what painting, sculpture, print and drawing can be now, in our post truth, media saturated times lurks around every corner.

Large-scale gestural paintings, referencing the fabulations of the Rococo, sit alongside minimalist paintings-as-object, while the quiet, intimate and domestic is juxtaposed with imagined splendid and sprawling wildernesses in works of hyper detail. Immersive works made of autobiographical material and objects, providing 'too much information', give way to regimented ranks of preposterous and crazed gilded military busts.

A dedication to research and enquiry is evident throughout. Conversations with art history and the contemporary have been deep and meaningful as well as irreverent and heartfelt.

The Exhibition and The Art School will also be part of Open House London on Saturday 16th and Sunday 17th September.

Exhibitors: Johanne Alvestad | Ella Astor | Sarm Derbois | Gwenyth Fugard | Rachel Letchford | Robyn Litchfield | Karen Loader | Lucy McGeown | Katharine Perrins | Abigail Phang | Kitty Stirling | Flora Yukhnovich
Interim students: Natanya Barrett | Eliza Bennett | Justine Formentelli | Olga Goldina | Finian Richman | Jonathan Francis | **Artists in Residence:** Jonny Green | Jessie Makinson | **Fellows:** Blaze Cyan | Lucy Devenish | Amelia Crowley-Roth | Zoe Schoenherr | Joshua Freddie Vaughan

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