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PROFILE

I am an interdisciplinary artist and lead artist at Castlefield Gallery New Art Spaces Chester. My practice investigates the delicate relationships between humanity and the natural world, often incorporating foraged materials, found objects or sounds into my sculptural and installation-based work.

Most recently I have been working collaboratively with models and taxidermists, producing garment sculptures from sustainable materials.

PRIZES

2022 - First Place, Grosvenor Museum

Open, Chester

2021 - The People's Choice Prize, Ty Pawb

Open; An exhibition celebrating lockdown

creativity, Wrexham

2020 - First Place, The Art of The Mask,

Blue Girl Gallery

2020 - Highly Commended, The

Sustainability First Art Prize, London

2012 - First Place, Life, The Universe and

Everything, Open Exhibition, Chester

EDUCATION

MA FINE ART

(Pass with Distinction)
University of Chester
2012 - 2014

BA FINE ART

(1st)

University of Chester 2007 - 2010

EXHIBITIONS

2024

Saltation, Contemporary Art Space Chester

Open Doors, Contemporary Art Space Chester

2023

Wild Whipers, Storyhouse

Lost, Found, Given, Stored, Shown, Seen, Grosvenor Museum

Unfurled - Encounters with artist books, Grosvenor Museum

On Another Level, Grosvenor Museum, Chester

2022

Disgust, East Window South Gallery, Boulder, Colorado

The 14th Grosvenor Open, (First prize) Grosvenor Museum

2021

Eco, ShimEco, Ursa Gallery, Connecticut

Memento Mori, AIR Gallery Altrincham

Reconnecting; The Sustainability First Art Prize, Bermondsey Project Space,

London

2020

Home(work), Shim Art Network and Helix Gallery, New York

Pandemic Self Portraits, Denver, Colorado USA

The Ty Pawb Open, (People's Prize winner) Wrexham

The Art of Isolation, Curator's Voice Art Projects, Miami Art Fair, Florida

Nice To See You - To See You Nice, Contemporary Art Space Chester

PUBLICATIONS

2022 - The Edge Magazine

2022 - Artistic, Curatorial & Anthropological

Engagement With The Face Mask,

University of Oxford

2021 - Cultural Programs of the National

Academy of Sciences, Washington

2020 - Politiken, Denmark

2020 - The New York Magazine

2020 - Sustainability First Art Prize

2020 - Wales Arts Review

INTERVIEWS

2022 - Artistic, Curatorial & Anthropological

Engagement With The Face Mask,

University of Oxford

2022 - Lonely Arts Club, Chester

2021 - Ty Pawb Open, Ty Pawb Gallery

2021 - Homework, New York

2020 - Sustainability First Art Prize,

Bermondsey Project Space London

TEACHING / WORKSHOPS

I have several years teaching experience, working with children, learning disabled adults, and university students

2023/24 - Guest tutor at Chester Life

Drawing, University of Chester

2022 - current - Fine Art Visiting Lecturer,

University of Chester

2023 - The Grosvenor Museum, Chester

2022 - Storyhouse, Chester

2021 - Refresh commission, Chester

2021 - Ty Pawb Family Art Club Wrexham

2018 - Ecce Iterum, Chester Castle

2010 - 2020 - The Chester Link - weekly

Art and Music workshops

2010 - 2015 - Ceramic painting workshops

EXHIBITIONS (CONT.)

2018

Ecce Iterum: See Again, Chester Castle

2017

Float, King Charles Tower Gardens, Chester

2016

All In One, Piazza Martiri della Libertà, Chiari, Italy

Art Vend Round Four, Oriel Wrecsam Gallery

The Listening Booth; an online sound art exhibition

2015

Art Vend Round Three, Oriel Wrecsam Gallery

2014

Loop: Maria Walker | Estelle Woolley, joint show at old Odeon, Chester

Matchbox Microcosms: Mini Museum Marvels, Curiovan: Explorium of

Natural Wonderment, London

2013

Open Market, UnDegUn, Wrexham

Alumni, Contemporary Art Space Chester

Wrexham Open, Oriel Wrecsam Gallery

Above and Below, Yarangall Green Farm, Alvanley Cliff Woodland

Neo: Art prize 2013, Neo: Gallery 22, Bolton

Here | There | Everywhere, Oriel Wrecsam Gallery

Purple, ur:performance Islington Mill, Salford

2012

Here | There | Everywhere, Huttons Buildings, Sheffield

Life, The Universe and Everything, (First place) Aardvark Gallery, Chester

Moon, Islington Mill, Salford

White, Islington Mill, Salford

2011

Free For All, Free For Arts Festival, Piccadilly Place, Manchester

In The Woods Today, (UoC staff and graduate show) Alvanley Cliff

Woodland, Cheshire

Memory Blanks, Axis Arts Centre, Cheshire

Panoply, Piccadilly Place, Manchester

Wunderland, TactileBOSCH Gallery, Cardiff

2010

The Conversation, Christ Church, Chester

Intro, The CUBE Gallery, Manchester

Mill 24, Islington Mill, Salford