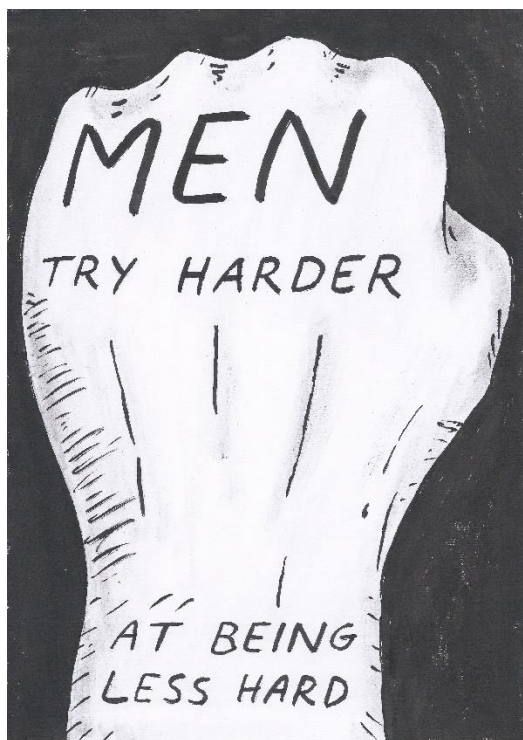


Nunnery Gallery to take a politically provocative selection of east London-based artists to the 2020 London Art Fair



Images, left to right: Marcus Orlandi *Men try harder* 2019; Nye Thompson *INSULAE British Sea Types (Fairisle)* 2019

Nunnery Gallery, Stand P1, Art Projects

London Art Fair, 22-26 January 2020 (preview day Tuesday 21 Jan 11am-9pm)

The Nunnery Gallery will present 11 artists at the 2020 London Art Fair's curated Art Projects section. Looking to inspire new thinking as well as interest, the artworks on the stand explore "our current political moment", taken from the gallery's annual Bow Open Show, for which selector Carey Young invited politically engaged works.

Offering an insight into the provocative interpretation by artists of our current times, the works engage with varied political themes including gender, migration, identity, borders and climate change; poignantly and critically addressing some of today's most pressing cultural conversations.

A stand not to be missed, the presentation includes painting, sculpture, photography and print, as well as an especially installed digital work by **Nye Thompson**, originally commissioned in partnership with the Barbican Centre. *INSULAE (Of the Island)* contemplates the impact of island geography on national identity in a perpetually looping virtual tour of the waters just off the British mainland.

Other works include **Robyn Litchfield's** meticulous landscapes which explore the early colonisation of New Zealand; the dry humour of **Marcus Orlandi's** drawings; **Kaveh Ossia's** repressive protest painting, designed to conceal his identity rather than flaunting it; and **Lindsey McLean's** modern reimagining of *Salome on the Underground*.

The Nunnery's participation in the fair begins Bow Arts' celebration of its 25th anniversary, marking 25 years of supporting artists through affordable studio space, arts education and programming.

The Nunnery Gallery is not-for-profit and sells work to raise money to support its future programming. All artists on the stand have a studio with Bow Arts and prices range from £65 for limited edition prints with all works available on the Own Art scheme.



Images, left to right: Robyn Litchfield *Up Ship Creek*; Kaveh Ossia *Untitled (pistachio, penis and policy)* 2019

Exhibiting artists: Miraj Ahmed; Bernie Clarkson; Robyn Litchfield; Anita McCullough; Lindsey McLean; Marcus Orlandi; Kaveh Ossia; Sam Parsons; Lorna Pridmore; Almudena Romero; Nye Thompson.

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Bow Arts is an arts education charity that provides affordable creative workspaces for over 500 emerging artists. Alongside this, Bow Arts manages one of the country's most exciting education programmes, which takes world-class artists into 100 schools to improve the lives and learning of children and young people. Bow Arts runs the Nunnery Gallery, a public gallery that supports a diverse range of high quality exhibitions and events as well as the delivery of a public arts programme. Established in 1995, Bow Arts holds an important place in east London which is fast becoming known as London's Artist Quarter. www.bowarts.org