LONDON MESSUMS ART, EXHIBITIONS, EVENTS & IDEAS Welcome, this newsletter takes a look at some of the two dimensional - in the physical sense only! programming underway or coming up online and in the galleries. We are particularly proud to be welcoming John Walker this Spring and at the same time supporting the careers of a younger generation of painters making their own marks. My personal recommendation is to delve into the comments and essays on John, they are hugely warming as well as insightful. I hope you have an enjoyable weekend and my thanks to the teams who have helped put all this together. Johnny Messum LONDON John Walker 22 March – 21 April 2023 The oil paintings will be on view in our Cork Street gallery from Tuesday 21 March at 10am Register interest The exhibition, the first solo exhibition in London for decades presents recent paintings by internationally recognised British abstract painter John Walker. Pared down, bold and expressive, these paintings are full of vigour, vitality and freedom reflecting an artist who, now in his eighties, is working with faculty, vision and profundity. Walker won the 1976 John Moores Painting Prize and was nominated for the Turner Prize in 1985. John lives and works in Maine. Works on Paper John Walker: Abstraction – A Language **Shared** Online talk: Wednesday 22 March, 12pm Free to attend A rare opportunity to join an online discussion event with John Walker, in conversation with arts writer and curator Suzanne McAvoy; writer and ex-director of Ikon Gallery Jonathan Watkins and artists Vera Möller and Tom Robinson. Book tickets **Selected Texts on John Walker Doors not Windows** John Walker: The Intelligent Hand An interview by Colin Smith of Turps Banana by Suzette McAvoy A painter of consciousness, of John Walker - Perception in Paint consciousness in the world, as it by Dr Claudia Milburn goes by by Jonathan Watkins 'One of the standout abstract painters of the last 50 years.' (Cate McQuaid, Boston Globe) WILTSHIRE **Curated Collections in the Pod** View collection Showcase presentation: Jack McGarrity: "Studio as theatre, theatre as studio" McGarrity is part of our Emerging Talents programme. On View: A personal curation of works owned by the gallery to feed the eye and inspire the mind, including Polly Penrose, Richard Hoare, Norman Parkinson, Hannah Mooney, Ti Parkes, Laurence Edwards, Atong Atem and John Walker. **Residency exhibition** Painter Shaun Fraser's residency in sub-arctic northern Iceland during the summer of 2022, led to a remarkable visual response to the landscape and its Fauna. The resulting works will be exhibited this April in our Cork Street gallery. Register interest MAKINGINTRODUCTIONS Tyga Helme View film A rising star in the New British Landscape movement Tyga Helme's work embodies our awakening to the importance of the ground beneath our feet. Shifting our perspective pictorially as well as philosophically to take in the landscape and environment around us. Tyga's forthcoming exhibition opens at the end of May Register interest COLLAGE Jack McGarrity View film Jack McGarrity joined the Messums Emerging Talents Programme with an exhibition at our Wiltshire Gallery in July 2021 and has since gone on to have a successful solo show in our Cork Street gallery. Paintings by Jack can be seen in our CoffeeHouse at Messums Wiltshire. JAPANNING **Tuesday Riddell** View film Tuesday Riddell's work is as much concerned with the natural world as it is with processes of making; in the midst of the ecological crisis, the delicate, intricate japanning technique reflects our complex relationship with the natural world. Tuesday's forthcoming exhibition opens in our Cork Street, London gallery in July. Register interest **Studio Visits** This week our Members visited Tuesday Riddell's studio in London. Contact us if you would like to join us on future Contact us **EVENTS** Ceramics Symposium WILTSHIRE Saturday 1 April Book tickets To conclude the ceramics season, a symposium will be held at Messums Wiltshire on 1 April 2023 celebrating the diverse potential of clay in art. The symposium programme will include presentations by the exhibiting artists and writers and curators of ceramic. The symposium will be paralleled by a 'Young Clay Symposium' on the same organised by Messums Creative where participants aged 10+ can start a journey of understanding through hands-on learning. FIND OUT MORE ABOUT THE SPEAKERS FIND OUT MORE ABOUT THE YOUNG CLAY SYMPOSIUM WILTSHIRE Matthew Jukes 100 best Australian Wine Tasting & Supper Saturday 15 April, from 6pm £15 Wine Tasting £45 Three course supper £55 Combined ticket Book tickets Matthew Jukes launches each year's collection of 100 Best Australian wines in May, at Australia House in London, and then from September to March he takes a large selection of the wines on a global Roadshow, taking in Australia, China and the UK. The event ticket includes tasting & post-tasting supper in our courtyard tent. A set three-course menu and will be served sharing style. WILTSHIRE **Drawing Wednesdays** 26 April - 5 July, 10.30am - 1pm A new and fascinating opportunity to join Edward Scott and other visiting guest artists/tutors for a series of regular mornings of drawing and painting. REGISTER INTEREST WILTSHIRE **Active Environmentalism Talks Programme and Symposium** Saturday 3 June, £10 for the day Members and students come for free. Members visit the Members Area for the promo code Book tickets With the help of a number of environmental experts we will shed light on the problems that confront us as individuals and what we can do collectively to mitigate the damage. We will also hear about technological advances being made to resolve the many issues we face and how to facilitate further changes in our way of thinking about our relationship with the environment. Copyright © 2023 Messums London, All rights reserved. Add us to your address book Our mailing address is: Messums London · 28 Cork Street · Court Street · London, London W1S 3NG · United Kingdom Want to change how you receive these emails? You can <u>update your preferences</u> or <u>unsubscribe from this list</u>.

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