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Jupiter Artland announce Lindsey Mendick solo show SH*T FACED



Lindsey Mendick, Image Elissa Cray

Lindsey Mendick, *SH*T FACED*, opening: 15 July 2023 Jupiter Artland opening: 7 April 2023

Edinburgh, Friday 03 February 2023 – Jupiter Artland is delighted to announce Lindsey Mendick as the artist for their 2023 season. Having previously collaborated with Jupiter at their acclaimed Jupiter Rising festival, Jupiter is thrilled to host Mendick's first solo show in Scotland, which will be presented across all of Jupiter Artland's galleries.

Lindsey Mendick's work is one of confession, where taboo topics and uncomfortable truths are revealed with candour and humour. Her work is characterised by an intense attention to detail and verisimilitude, whereby everyday scenes - a nightclub, a kitchen, a bedroom - are expertly crafted in ceramic and staged in larger-than-life tableaux. Mendick is transforming Jupiter's Ballroom Gallery and Steadings Gallery into a diptych of nightlife; one that draws inspiration from the gothic novella *The Strange Case of Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde* with all its troubling contentions of virtue, appearance, public shaming and masking. Like an anxiety dream come to

life, there is a sobering mirroring of contemporary binge drinking culture and gender-based shaming presented in the work, although the anticipated judgemental tone is noticeably absent. By subverting the genre of morality tale, Mendick's work opens a space where our public and private faces can be encountered without prejudice.

Lindsey Mendick graduated from Royal College of Art in 2017 and is currently based in Margate. Her work has been shown in solo exhibitions at Carl Freedman Gallery, Margate. Her work was also included in the major exhibition, *Strange Clay: Ceramics in Contemporary Art* at the Hayward Gallery, London. With her partner, the artist Guy Oliver, Mendick initiated Quench Gallery in Margate to provide vital support for early career artists through exhibitions and mentoring.

"I'm so excited to be making my Scottish debut at the wonderful Jupiter Artland; I've always been a fan of their programme. Many thanks to gorgeous Nicky and Robert Wilson for their love and support." Lindsey Mendick, Artist

"I look forward to Lindsey delving into the culture of drink and self-regret – especially relevant to these times" Nicky Wilson, Director Jupiter Artland

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Jupiter Artland is an award-winning, contemporary sculpture park, located just outside Edinburgh. Set over 100 acres of meadow, woodland and five indoor gallery spaces, Jupiter Artland has to date commissioned over 35 permanent site-specific sculptures from the world's leading artists including Alec Finlay, Andy Goldsworthy, Anish Kapoor, Antony Gormley, Anya Gallaccio, Charles Jencks, Christian Boltanski, Cornelia Parker, Helen Chadwick, Henry Castle, Ian Hamilton Finlay, Joana Vasconcelos, Laura Ford, Marc Quinn, Nathan Coley, Nicolas Party, Pablo Bronstein, Peter Liversidge, Phyllida Barlow, Rachel Maclean, Sara Barker, Shane Waltener, Tania Kovats, and Tracey Emin.

A curated annual programme of exhibitions and events from leading visionary artists and emerging talents, as well as public talks, assemblies, and an active live art programme, make Jupiter Artland a thriving location for new ideas.

Central to Jupiter Artland's vision is to engage Every Child in Scotland with art through its learning and outreach programme. Jupiter Artland offers free school visits, digital projects, and hands-on activities for learners of all ages. Jupiter has recently launched its inaugural JUPITER+ project, new off-site commissioning programme, which will see world-class artworks brought to locations and communities across Scotland. The programme is powered by the belief that everyone should have access to the best of international art at their doorstep and our mission to inspire the next generation of artists in Scotland. Jupiter Artland's child-led ethos to learning sparks curiosity and builds resilience, creativity, and critical thinking skills in the minds of young learners. Jupiter Artland's mission is for every school child in Scotland to visit or experience Jupiter Artland.

Jupiter Artland was founded in 2009 by Robert and Nicky Wilson and since then has grown into one of the UK's most significant places to see outdoor sculpture. In 2016, Jupiter Artland was nominated for ArtFund's Museum of the Year.