GRUNDY ART GALLERY

SPRING PROGRAMME
Exhibitions

APOLLO PAINTING SCHOOL
2024-2025

(2024) Ally Fallon, Hannah-Sophia Guerriero, Isaac Jordan, Deborah Lerner, Isobel Shore.
(2025) Catherine Ko Chen, Nora Hreb, Jamie Kirk, Mahrokh Mofidnakhaei.

This exhibition brings together 9 emerging painters who participated in the Apollo Painting School programme in 2024 and 2025.

While points of contact emerge between the practices, each artist speaks with their own singular language. Moving through abstraction and figuration, fictional constructs and personal memory, painterly openness and spatial rigour, the exhibition forms a constellation of distinct practices that offer a snapshot of emerging contemporary painting in the UK today and demonstrates painting as a continually relevant and ever-evolving medium.

APOLLO PAINTING SCHOOL Est. 2023

Co-founded by artist Louise Giovanelli (whose work can be seen throughout Gallery 1 and Gallery 2), gallerist and curator Alice Amati and artist and academic Dr. Ian Hartshorne in 2023, Apollo Painting School is an independent, non-profit training programme dedicated to developing an alternative model of learning for emerging painters. It takes the form of an intensive 3-month summer programme online and in person in Manchester (UK) plus a one-month residency Latina, (Italy).

The course is delivered by experienced educators, artists, curators and writers with extensive experience both in arts education and the contemporary art market and combines skills development with an introduction to professional practice and career pathways. Through this approach, Apollo Painting School is committed to building bridges between art school and the art world, generating meaningful conversations and concrete career development opportunities.

Participation in the programme is via an annual open call with applications reviewed by a judging panel comprised of internationally acclaimed artists and educators. The costs of taking part in the programme are means tested making Apollo Painting School accessible to anyone regardless of economic background or circumstances with fully funded bursaries available for those who are eligible.

Linked Event
Saturday 25 April,
11am - 12.30pm.
BSL Interpretation provided.
FREE, Booking required: 01253 478170

Exhibition Tour and Talk. Join Grundy Art Gallery Curator, Paulette Brien, artist Louise Giovanelli and painters from the Apollo Painting School to find out more about the work on display.

More information about each of the artists in this exhibition and their work can be found in the Gallery Guide.

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