

## News Release from Milton Keynes Gallery

5 Aug – 24 Sep 2006

### Anja Schrey

Supported by Kunststiftung NRW

Preview | Fri 4 Aug 17.30–20.00 | All press & media welcome



Anja Schrey  
Leigende, 2004. ©  
Galerie Conrads, Düsseldorf

This summer Milton Keynes Gallery presents the first solo exhibition in the UK by German artist Anja Schrey, comprising new and recent works of larger-than-life size colour pencil drawings.

Whether working in performance or drawing, Schrey, the artist, is always the subject of the work. Poses range from the provocative to the innocent suggesting an attempt to convey a feeling, although overall the drawings retain a sense of clinical detachment. Schrey's drawings derive from numerous photographs Schrey takes, with images ranging from approx 50cm to 4.5m across, with the resulting images dominating individual gallery walls. Schrey's influences vary: the media, the fashion industry and art history can sometimes be detected in the drawings. Occasionally, the poses she adopts have been informed by performances she has made in which members of the public are invited to choose dress, style and gesture.

Anja Schrey (b.1967), studied at the Kunstakademie Düsseldorf and the De Ateliers, Amsterdam. Solo shows include Galerie Conrads, Düsseldorf (2005), Junge Kunst, Wolfsburg (2004) and Kunstverein Bochum (2003).

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The exhibition is supported by a wide range of public talks and workshops (details overleaf).

## Related Events

### Summer Workshops: Drawing Skills

Free, practical workshops in the Schrey exhibition for all ages, covering a range of drawing skills, primarily focusing on the human form. Places limited. Pre-booking essential on 01908 676 900.

Mon 7 Aug 5–7 yrs | 10.00–12.00 or 13.00–15.00

Mon 14 Aug 7–11 yrs | 10.00–15.00

Mon 21 Aug 12–16 yrs | 10.00–15.00

Mon 28 Aug Adult Workshop | 10.00–15.00

Mon 11 Sept Parent & Toddler Session\*

10.00–11.30 or 13.00–14.30

Mon 18 Sept | 6th Form Session | Booking essential via your school | 10.00–15.00

\* Location BP Events Room

### Saturday Art Trolley Every Saturday

11.00–13.00 | Free, no need to book

Current exhibition art activities for ages 4–12. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

### Late Night Thursday Exhibition Talk

Thur 7 Sept | 19.00-20.00 | Free

Gill Perry, Head of History of Art at the Open University will discuss the artist's work with MK G's Head of Education, Natalie Walton, in relation to female artists and the self image.

### The Female Form in Art and Fashion

Sat 16 Sept | 15.00-16.30 | BP Events Room | Tickets £5 (£3 concs.)

A round table discussion bringing together voices from feminist art history, art history and the world of fashion. Speakers include Amanda Phillips, Education Coordinator, Leeds City Art Gallery and Rosemary Betterton, author and lecturer, Institute for Womens' Studies, Lancaster.

### Masterclass with Anja Schrey

Sat 23 Sept | 13.00-16.00 | Free

An opportunity to work through the artistic processes in the exhibition with exhibiting artist Anja Schrey. Places limited. Bookings (from 8 Aug) and further information on 01908 558 305

**Exhibition Open** Tues-Sat 10.00-17.00 | Late Night Thursdays open until 20.00

Sun 11.00-17.00 | Closed Mondays.

**Press Information** | For further information, images or interview requests, please contact Giselle Richardson on +44 (0)1908 558 302, or email: [g.richardson@mk-g.org](mailto:g.richardson@mk-g.org).

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