

News Release from Milton Keynes Gallery

1 Dec 2001 - 13 Jan 2002

The Silbury Group: 10th Anniversary Exhibition

Admission free

Press View: 30 November 17.00-18.00 Private View 18.00-20.00

This December there is an opportunity to see a huge variety of work by past and present members of the Silbury Group of Artists. The Group, which began in 1991 as a handful of artists based in the Milton Keynes area, eager to make connections, to find studios and to have somewhere to show their work.

The Silbury Group has evolved into one of the longest running artist collectives in the country. With a consistent membership of around thirty, it continues to be led and administered by artists. It has an impressive record of exhibitions, international exchanges, residencies and educational and community projects. It also provides artistic links to and with local and national organisations.

The Silbury Group is currently based at Westbury Farm Studios, where fifteen members have studio spaces. This congenial environment provides a forum for discussion, opportunities to share resources and to work on collaborative projects. The Group has a strong local identity and, most effectively, offers the community access to professional artists, providing temporary studio space, exhibition facilities and educational events.

This exhibition demonstrates the diversity and collective strength of its past and present members. This marks an important milestone for the Silbury Group and confirms Milton Keynes as a culturally rich place in which to live, work and exhibit as a practicing artist.

Thurs 6 Dec at 19.30 (Doors open 19.00)

The Silbury Group In Conversation with William Packer, Financial Times Art Critic

National newspaper art critic William Packer will discuss with the Group how their work has developed both individually and collectively over their ten years exhibiting together. Tickets free, to include seasonal refreshment, but must be pre-booked on 01908 676 900.

Sundays at 14.30 and Wednesdays at 13.15

'Art for All' Free Guided Tours lasting c.20-30 minutes. The talks on 2, 5, 16, 19 December and 6 & 9 January will be given by Silbury Group members.

Sat 8 Dec

Lanterns Workshop by Group member Jessica Rost for children ages 10-14 to make decorative, sculptural candle-lit lanterns. Pre-booking is essential on 01908 676 900.

Sat 15 Dec

Art on a Plate Workshop by Group member Simon Tipping offering plate painting on a celebratory theme for ages 6-10. Pre-booking is essential on 01908 676 900.

Further Information

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