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It goes without saying that we present this year's degree show against the backdrop of a nationally difficult financial situation for universities. Nevertheless, we can't help but find this eager cohort a charming crop of individuals, despite the years of educational turbulence they've endured leading up to this celebration of the outcomes they've achieved.

For many of them, the school experience of GCSEs and A-levels was significantly marked by the disruptions of COVID. Consequently, the challenge of studying for a BA in Fine Art, with its emphasis on 'hands on' experimentation, self-direction and the development of focused critical insight, should not be underestimated

Set against the necessity of STEM subjects, the pressing demands of the NHS and the need to increase defence spending in an unstable global environment, it may seem obvious to relegate the importance of the Arts. But Art isn't a luxury. It isn't just about privilege. In its flexibility and adaptability Art provides a medium of expression through which individuals can find, shape and put to use their own 'voice'. But, more than this, it provides a space in which different perspectives and priorities can be discovered and explored and new ideas created and tested. Through the study of Art, and the necessary critical discourse that sustains it, individuals not only shape who they are as citizens but also build confidence and resilience, honesty and integrity. In uncertain times we desperately need these qualities.

We hope the present display reveals the depth and breadth of learning that these students have achieved, making palpable the variety, subtlety and value of what they have discovered... And we invite you, along with us, to recognise and celebrate their achievement.

Tim, Liz, Chris, Anne, Terry and Helen - the Fine Art team



# **EMILY BACON**

My work focuses strongly on a sense of self, exploring my life through physical movement and paint. Through the action of marking, erasing, restating, and obscuring, I aim to create fields of immersive and expressive line and shape, with an interest in hidden or obscured writing (palimpsests and asemic text).

■ Instagram: @ceinwen.artist



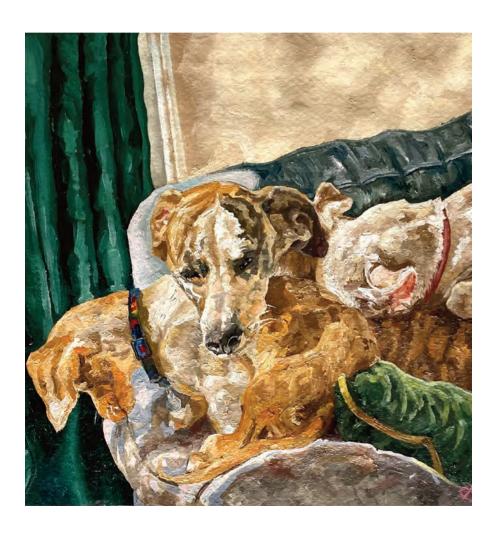






# **AIMEE BIGGS**

My work delves into domestic scenes, capturing the quiet, intimate moments that shape our lives. I aim to evoke an emotional response, inviting viewers to connect with the atmosphere and feeling of the space. Through my paintings, I want people to feel as if they have lived within the scene itself.

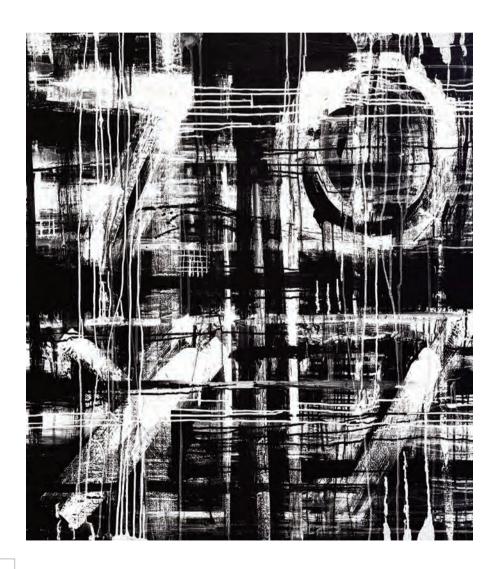




# **SAMARA BRAGA**

My artwork is an engagement between Bible scripture and the medium of acrylic paint, using only black and white to convey the tradition of biblical text and the duality of good and evil. Through iterative layering, erasing, and refining, the medium itself becomes an embodiment of the ongoing complexities of self-transformation in religion.

■ Instagram: @samzinteriors





# **ALAYNA CORBETT**

My work takes inspiration from my part-time job at a family-owned greengrocer, looking at how the produce appears on the shop floor and translating what I see into hyperreal paintings. I aim to highlight beauty that can be found in an everyday scene.

■ Instagram: @acorbart









# **MADISON GOODLIFF**

Drawing inspiration from H.R. Giger's haunting style, particularly in the Alien films, my silicone-based organic forms explore 'the uncanny'. I aim to provoke discomfort through visual unease, inviting viewers to question the differences between living forms and delicate artificial design.





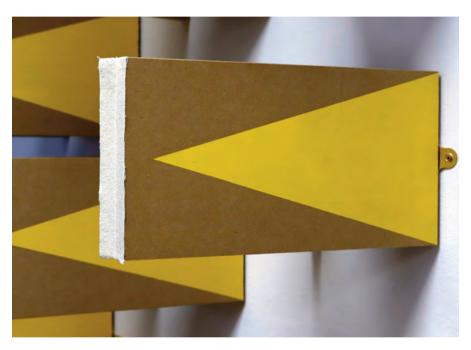




# **ELLIOT GORDON**

My work looks at colour, shape and form. It questions the way in which simple components can come together in a conversation with each other. I aim to create contrast in difference, and harmony in similarity. I don't want my work to hide; it's proud to be what it is.

Instagram: @elliotgordonart





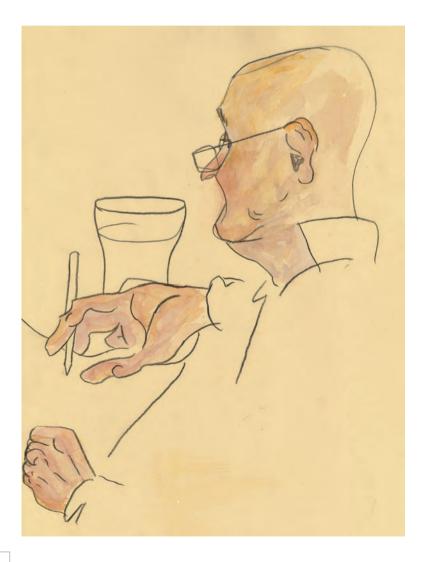




# **DANIEL LAWMAN**

My current interest is in the experiences of isolation, melancholy, and community of day drinkers in chain pubs. I start with observational sketches, usually during the day. These drawings are then loosely worked into a larger scale with skin tones painted in watercolour from imagination or memory.

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# **EVAN MUMBY**

My installation encourages hands-on play, allowing viewers to connect with it through touch. I combine repurposed materials with objects I design digitally, leading to traditional production processes such as press-moulding and crochet. My work is driven by a passion for bird conservation and exploring human impact on the environment.

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# **TERRY SIU**

My work addresses political and social themes relating to global politics, encouraging viewers to reflect on shifting perspectives and societal dynamics; Deng Xiaoping and Margaret Thatcher, Trump and Putin. I blend contemporary realism with childish cartoon styles, using humor, symbolism and expression to combat anxiety about loss of freedoms.

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# **LATIFA UMAR**

My work fuses sculpture, textiles and screen printing, layering graffiti-style typography with African wax-print patterns. It navigates themes of identity, heritage, and urban expression that reflect my African heritage and my childhood in Southern and Northern Ireland. The interplay of colour, texture, and text creates a dynamic, visually arresting narrative.

Instagram: @latifauart



















#### **DIRECTORY OF STAFF**

#### **Head of Department**

Michael Holley

#### **Academic Staff**

- Tim Sandys-Renton Programme coordinator, Level 6 coordinator, admissions tutor
- Christopher McHugh Level 5 coordinator
- Elizabeth Colley Level 4 coordinator
- Matt O'Dell
- Neil Bryant

#### Art Technician and Associate Lecturer

Anne White - Textiles and Print

#### Art technician

■ Terry Merritt - Sculpture and Paint

#### Course administrator

Helen Nichols

#### External examiner for BA

Richard Webb - Arts University Plymouth

#### Associate & Visiting lecturers from 2024-25

- Beloved E Adonai
- Nick Bodimeade
- Laura Buckle
- Shirley Chubb
- Pete Codling
- Charlotte Edsell
- Louise Green Helen Higgins
- Rachel Johnston
- Sophia Lovell Smith
- Mike Walker

# INDEXICAL II: THE SKIN WE'RE IN

Exhibition of Visual Art by Fine Art staff at the University of Chichester

Elizabeth Colley, Christopher McHugh, Matt O'Dell, Neil Bryant, Tim Sandys-Renton, Anne White and Terry Merritt

Open Saturday 6 September - Saturday 20 September 2025

- 9.30am 4.00pm Monday to Friday
   Viewing by appointment only. Please email h.nichols@chi.ac.uk
- 12 noon 4.00pm Saturdays
   Free and open to public. No booking required

MEET THE ARTISTS: Saturdays 6, 13 and 20 September, 12 noon – 4.00pm Free and open to public. No booking required.

PANEL DISCUSSION: Thursday 12 September 6.30pm – 7.30pm Free and open to public. To book email h.nichols@chi.ac.uk.

#### **EVENTS:**

Exhibition 'Walkabout' with the artists: Thursday 18 September 6.00-7.30pm. Free and open to the public. To book email h.nichols@chi.ac.uk

VENUE: St Michaels, Bognor Regis Campus. Car park entrance off Upper Bognor Road, PO21 1HR

Please note: Car parking is pay by phone Monday-Friday 8am-6pm £2.00 per hour. All other times £1.40 set fee.





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# The Fine Art degree show is travelling to Oxmarket Contemporary, Chichester

# Tuesday 24 June to Sunday 6 July 2025

Oxmarket Contemporary will be open:

10.00am - 4.30pm Tuesday to Saturday and 12.00 - 4.00pm on Sunday St. Andrew's Court, off East Street, Chichester, West Sussex P019 1YH

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