# KATE MCMILLAN

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# BIOGRAPHY

With work spanning the mediums of sculpture, film, sound, installation and photography, Kate McMillan is an internationally exhibited artist who has held shows in London, Glasgow, Edinburgh, Berlin, Perth, Melbourne, Sydney, Shanghai and Hong Kong.

Conceptually and well as formally ambitious, McMillan's appeals to the canon of phenomenological philosophy, poetic literature (specifically, the laureate Cecil Day-Lewis) and art history (via Barbara Hepworth) are demonstrative of a total integration of form. genre, notion and aesthetic. The artist's most recent work. The Past in Singing in Our Teeth (2017), showed at Arusha Gallery in July 2018 as part of the Edinburgh Art Festival, continues this syncretic thread.

A Celeste Prize finalist (2017), McMillan has in addition completed residencies in St Petersburg via the National Centre of Contemporary Art, as well as in Tokyo, London, Basel, Beijing and Sydney. McMillan lectures at Kings College London in the Department of Culture, Media and Creative Industries, and her PhD thesis, Contemporary Art and Unforgetting, is due to be published by Palgrave MacMillan in 2018. McMillan's work is acutely sensory, and is therefore difficult to do justice to in words alone.

# EXHIBITIONS

## 2018

The Past is Singing in our Teeth, Arusha Gallery Edinburgh

Presented new work for Adventurous Encounters, curated by Huma Kubakci, West London Produced film-based installation 'Instructions for Another Future (my feat are ears)', RohKunstbau XXIV festival, Schloss Lieberose, curated by Mark Gisbourne, Brandenburg

Songs for Dancing, Songs for Dying, Castor Projects, London

# 2014

The Potter's Field, ACME Project Space, London Anxious Objects, Moana Project Space, Australia The Moment of Disappearance, Performance Space, Sydney

In the shadow of the past, this world knots tight, Venn Gallery Paradise Falls, Venn Gallery

# 2008

Lost at the John Curtin Gallery

# 2006

Broken Ground, Margaret Moore Contemporary Art

Disaster Narratives, Perth Institute of Contemporary Arts for Perth International Arts Festival

# ART FAIRS | 2020

Solastalgia, Zona Maco, Arusha Gallery, Mexico

# MUSEUMS AND BIENNALES

17th Biennale of Sydney

Trafco Centre for Contemporary Art, Poland

Minsheng Art Museum, Shanghai

Art Gallery of Western Australia

Gertrude Contemporary, Melbourne

Perth Institute for Contemporary Art John Curtin Gallery, Perth

Govett Brewster Art Gallery

New Plymouth and the Australian Centre for Photography, Sydney

# RESIDENCIES AND COLLECTIONS

## 2017

National Centre for Contemporary Art, developed film works shown at State Museum of Peter and Paul Fortress, St. Petersburg

The Ned, for Vault 100, a new Soho House project which reversed the gender ratio of the FTSE 100 by showing the work of 93 women and 7 men

## 2016

Acentered: Reterritorised Network of European and Chinese Moving Image, Art Basel Hong Kong, curated by Videotape

## 2014

PhD explores Contemporary Art and colonial histories and is currently being developed into a book titled *Islands of Empire: Contemporary Art and Unforgetting*, published by Palgrave Macmillan

# 2002-Present

Residencies in London, Tokyo, Basel, Berlin, Sydney, Beijing, and Hong Kong Board of the Perth Institute of Contemporary Arts, Sydney

National Association for the Visual Arts, Sydney

King's College, London, lectures on the Masters Program in Department for Culture, Media and Creative Industries

Lectures at The Ruskin, Oxford University

# Work held in private collections around the world including:

Cristoph Merian Collection, Basel

Soho House Collection

Art Gallery of Western Australia

Wesfarmers Arts Collection

**KPMG** 

Murdoch University, Australia

University of Western Australia and Curtin University, Australia

# **PUBLICATIONS**

The Past is Singing in our Teeth, online catalogue with images and contributions from Richard Martin, David Elliott, Cat Hope and Kate McMillan

The Moment of Disappearance, catalogue raisonne, foreword by Jeff Khan, essays by David Elliott, Bec Dean,

Islands of Incarceration, 2010, essay by Melissa Ratliff

Lost, 2008, essay by Geraldine Barlow

Broken Ground, 2005, essay by Bec Dean

Disaster Narratives, 2004, essay by Dr Ian McLean