

Street Level Talks at Glasgow Art Fair

Saturday 29th March 2008



12pm. Tom Normand

'Scottish Photography: New Heights, Hidden Depths'

Scotland has made a rich contribution to the art of photography throughout the world. From its invention, it has been an important site of innovation and experiment and Scottish photographers have created a resonant and dramatic photographic culture. Artists and photographers today continue to push the medium to new heights at home and abroad, giving it the assurance of its status as an art form.

2pm. Calum Colvin

Calum Colvin's work over the last twenty years has existed on the boundaries of Painting, Photography, Sculpture and Electronic Imaging. His iconography references and appropriates both a painterly tradition and a sculptural practice with quotations and links to popular culture, Scottish history, and the annals of Western Art History. A part of a 'renaissance' in art photography in the late 80s, his work is exhibited and collected nationally and internationally. Here Calum will talk briefly about the development of his work and his current projects followed by a Q + A on his work, the 'art world', and his experience of exhibiting both at home and abroad.

4pm. Simon Bainbridge and EJ Major

Simon Bainbridge, editor of British Journal of Photography, will be in conversation with EJ Major, an artist who has her first solo show at Street Level Gallery, which forms part of this year's Glasgow International Festival of Contemporary Visual Art. E-J Major uses photography and other materials which originated with the personal - letters, diary excerpts, family snap-shots - and now includes their public equivalents - films, books and magazine articles. They will discuss her work, alongside issues relating to how photography fits into the art marketplace, the cross-over between photographic and other art practice, and the current boom in specialist international art fairs and festivals.

Talks take place in the Talking Art room within Glasgow Art Fair at George Square. For further details on location etc, go to: www.glasgowartfair.com