The Fruitmarket Gallery's Open Studio Programme

Exhibition 7-29July 1990

The Fruitmarket Gallery's third Open Exhibition takes place in Edinburgh 7-29 July, 1990. This year, to coincide with the exhibition, the Fruitmarket will stage its first ever Open Studies programme, throughout Scotland. Fifteen studios will participate- nine of these participants will be WASPS studios. See attached studio listing for full details. The Open Studio programme will informally encourage the public to meet artists at work, in their studios- the "behind the scenes" part of exhibition making. WASPS Director, Linda Galbraith is particularly pleased by the Fruitmarket Gallery's initiative commenting, "the Fruitmarket's Open Studios programme is a great opportunity for WASPS to show how our company works, throughout Scotland. We have twelve studios around the country, accommodating 500 tenants. I've always seen WASPS' studios as the production side of the arts- the factory floor, if you like. To continue that economic analogy, galleries are the visual arts' shop window. So it's vital that nationally based studios like ours should establish good working relationships with international exhibition venues, of the Fruitmarket Gallery's calibre. We're delighted to have this opportunity of working together."

Each studio will organise its own schedule, but in general, the tenant artists, designers and craftworkers will open their individual studios to visitors. There will also be special displays and workshops.

WASPS Studio Listing

Edinburgh Sculpture Workshop, WASPS studios, 78 Albion Road, Edinburgh

Open weekend Saturday 7th and Sunday 8th July 11am – 5pm.
Will include open studios, workshop demonstrations by studio artists and members (woodcarving, papermaking etc), encouraging visitor participation as well as a display of recent class work and sculpture exhibition.

WASPS Dovehill Studios, (3rd Floor) 13-21 East Campbell Street, Glasgow

Open day- Sunday 8th July 11am – 5pm

Glasgow Sculpture Studios, the WASPS Factory, 85 Hanson Street, Glasgow

Open day- Saturday 14th July 12 – 5pm

Continuous demonstrations by studio artists of various sculptural techniques: welding, forging, carving, casting.

WASPS Studios, 22 King Street, Glasgow

Open day- Saturday 14th July 12 – 6pm

WASPS Studios, Patriothall, off Hamilton Place, Stockbridge, Edinburgh

Studio artists' group exhibition 7th-14th July 11am – 6pm
Open day- Saturday 14th July 11am – 6pm
Installation by Kevin Henderson and Angus Hood 16th-20th July 12.30 – 5pm
Exhibition of painting by Gary Dick and jewellery by Mark Powell 23rd-29th July 12.30 – 5pm

WASPS Tolbooth Studios, Broad Street, Stirling

Dates and venue of workshops and displays to be finalised

WASPS Studios, Guild Street, Aberdeen

Open day- Saturday 21st July 1 – 5pm
Exhibition of works in progress

WASPS Tillicoultry Studios, Lower Mill Street, Tillicoultry

Open day- Saturday 21st July 12 – 5pm

WASPS Studios, Meadowmill, West Hendersons Wynd, Dundee

Open weekend- Saturday 21st and Sunday 22nd July 11am – 5pm
Exhibition of studio work and a range of artist run workshops for adults and children. Contact the studio on 0382 21860 for details.

6 other independent (non-WASPS) studios are participating: 44 in Edinburgh; 81 great Junction Street, Edinburgh; Stromness Studios Society; Scottish Sculpture Workshop; Highland Printmakers Workshop; Ivory Tapestries, in Edinburgh. For full details contact Judith Findlay at the Fruitmarket Gallery.

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