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Ben Clarke

b. 1990, Ipswich, UK.

Education

2016 - 2017 Postgraduate Diploma "The Drawing Year" at the Royal Drawing School, London

2010 – 2014 BA (First Class Honours) Fine Art at the Slade School of Fine Art, London.

2012 – 2013 Semester Exchange Program at New York Studio School of Drawing Painting and Sculpture, New York City.

2009 – 2010 Foundation Diploma (Fine Art) at Byam Shaw School of Art (Central St. Martins), London.

Solo Exhibitions

"The Cock Tavern Paintings Part 2" at Chalton Gallery, May 2017, curated by Javier Calderon

"The Cock Tavern Paintings Part 1" at Ladette Space, 6th - 15th March 2015, curated by Elena Colman

"Ben Clarke" at William Gibbons Fine Art, Yorkshire, 6th-7th July 2013. Curated by Rob Small.

Selected Group Exhibitions

"Downsizing" at Cave Pimlico, May 2018, curated by Alice MacDonald

"The Lore of the Land" at Churchgate Gallery, April 2018, curated by David Harrison

"Gift Shop" at 66 Exmouth Market, May 2018

"Frivolous Convulsions" at Turf Projects, January 2018, curated by Ben Westley Clarke and Vanessa Mitter

"Drawing Year Final Exhibition" at Christie's and the Royal Drawing School, December 2017

"Grit: 11 Painters" at Mercer Chance Gallery, May 2016, curated by Ben Westley Clarke

"Dark Ages" at Geddes Gallery, January 2016, curated by Rae Hicks and Sam Hanner

"The Behaviour of Being" at Cob Gallery, London, 29th September - 4th October 2015, curated by Mia Pfeifer

"Ben Westley Clarke + Ben Edge: Contemporary Folklore" at Leyden Gallery, 9th - 25th May 2015, curated by Lindsay Moran and Adriana Cerne.

"Salad" at L'Escargot, 21st January - 21st February 2015. Curated by Andrew Stahl.

"New Cross Pavillion 2" at Harts Lane Studios, 13th - 15th February 2015. Curated by Benjamin Prosser.

Slade Degree Show Exhibition at the Slade School of Fine Art, London, May 2014.

"Suns Off" at the Nursery Studio, London, 20th - 27th November 2013. Curated by Ben Clarke, Ben Meschko and Babette Semmer.

"Utrophia Opening Exhibition" at Utrophia, London, 30th July- 6th August 2011. Curated by Ben Meschko.

"Kwik-Love", space courtesy of Premier Foods, as part of Hackney Wicked Festival, London, 29th-31st July 2011. Curated by Leo Cohen.

"Wild Gift" at House Gallery, London, 21st- 25th March 2011. Curated by Ben Clarke and Ben Meschko.

Foundation Diploma Show at Byam Shaw School of Art, London, May 2010.

Awards/Scholarships

Richard Ford Award to study at the Prado Museum, Madrid, Spain, September 2018

Steer Prize for Outstanding Performance in Painting, 2014

Full Scholarship from New York Studio School to study with Graham Nickson at The Philharmonic Center for the Arts in Naples, Florida in October 2012

Melville-Nettleship Prize for Figure Composition, 2011-12

Residencies

New Fish Island, Caniezza, Veneto, Italy, July 2018

Pignano painting residency with the Royal Drawing School, Tuscany, Italy, June 2017

"The Beekeepers" at Quinta da Fornalha, Algarve, Portugal, June 2015