List of works

"...HOUNDED BY EXTERNAL EVENTS..." CURATED BY MICHAEL BRACEWELL

Kaye Donachie Gareth Jones John Kelsey Nick Mauss Lucy McKenzie Andrew Miksys Serban Sayu

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"...HOUNDED BY EXTERNAL EVENTS..."

Autobiography of Stephen Spender, World Within World (1951): "From 1931 onwards, in common with many other people, I felt hounded by external events. There was ever-increasing unemployment in America, Great Britain and on the Continent. The old world seemed incapable of solving its problems, and out of the disorder Fascist regimes were rising."

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Stephen Spender by Humphrey Spender bromide print, 1934 61 x 43 cm / 24 1/8 x 16 7/8 inches

ground floor, clockwise from left:

Kaye Donachie Did you ever think of me, 2016 oil in canvas 40.5 x 30 cm / 16 x 11 3/4 inches

Serban Savu Departure, 2014 oil on board 69 x 56 cm / 27 1/8 x 22 1/8 inches

"...AND BY CLAIMING THE RIGHT TO CHOOSE THEIR OWN ANCESTORS, THEY WERE DENYING THE ANCESTORS THAT THE PAST HAD PROVIDED, AND, IN A SENSE, CREATING THEIR OWN HISTORY..."

Samuel Hynes - 'The Auden Generation: Literature and Politics in England in the 1930s' (1976)

John Kelsey
Dans la rue, 12, 2016
watercolour on arches paper
42 x 57 x 3 cm / 16 1/2 x 22 1/2 x 1 1/8 inches (framed)

John Kelsey
Dans la rue, 4, 2016
watercolour on arches paper
42 x 57 x 3 cm / 16 1/2 x 22 1/2 x 1 1/8 inches (framed)

John Kelsey
Dans la rue, 15, 2016
watercolour on arches paper
38 x 30 x 3 cm / 15 x 11 3/4 x 1 1/8 inches (framed)

John Kelsey
Dans la rue, 17, 2016
watercolour on arches paper
42 x 57 x 3 cm / 16 1/2 x 22 1/2 x 1 1/8 inches (framed)

John Kelsey

Dans la rue, 18, 2016

watercolour on arches paper

30 x 38 x 3 cm / 11 3/4 x 15 x 1 1/8 inches (framed)

John Kelsey

Dans la rue, 13, 2016

watercolour on arches paper

30 x 38 x 3 cm / 11 3/4 x 15 x 1 1/8 inches (framed)

John Kelsey
Dans la rue, 10, 2016
watercolour on arches paper
42 x 57 x 3 cm / 16 1/2 x 22 1/2 x 1 1/8 inches (framed)

"'THE ASCENT OF F6'"

Title of an allegorical play by W. H. Auden and Christopher Isherwood, sub-titled: A Tragedy in Two Acts (1936) "The play tells the story of Michael Ransom, a climber, who, against his better judgment, accepts the offer of the British press and government to sponsor an expedition to the peak of F6, a mountain on the border of a British colony and a colony of the fictional country of Ostnia. Ransom is destroyed by his haste to complete the expedition ahead of the Ostnian climbers." [Wikipedia 2016]

Vitrine cabinet: a selection of meteorite fragments and metamorphic rock samples. These are included as references to the spirit of science fiction, also indicated by 'Solaris', to the mountaineering symbolism in 'The Ascent of F6', and also to W.H. Auden's lifelong fascination with geology and the nature of terrain – the imagery of which pervades his writing.

Lucy McKenzie
Guy Burgess, 2011
graphite on paper
51 x 36 cm / 20 1/8 x 14 1/8 inches

Lucy McKenzie

Anthony Blunt, 2011

graphite on paper
51 x 36 cm / 20 1/8 x 14 1/8 inches

Lucy McKenzie
Kim Philby, 2011
graphite on paper
51 x 36 cm / 20 1/8 x 14 1/8 inches

Lucy McKenzie

Donald Maclean, 2011

graphite on paper
51 x 36 cm / 20 1/8 x 14 1/8 inches

Gareth Jones

David Bowie Memorial Carport, 1994

Polystyrene, photograph, leaves, acrylic paint 26 x 30 x 24 cm

10 1/4 x 11 3/4 x 9 1/2 inches (excluding stand)

"THE REFUSAL TO BELONG TO ANY SCHOOL OF THOUGHT, THE REPUDIATION OF THE ADEQUACY OF ANY BODY OF BELIEFS WHATEVER, AND ESPECIALLY OF SYSTEMS, AND A MARKED DISSATISFACTION WITH TRADITIONAL PHILOSOPHY AS SUPERFICIAL, ACADEMIC AND REMOTE FROM LIFE – THAT IS THE HEART OF EXISTENTIALISM." Walter Kaufmann - 'Existentialism from Dostoevsky to Sartre' (1956)

upstairs gallery, clockwise from left:

Andrew Miksys *Untitled*, *Šutai - Vidutinė*, 2010 digital C-print 50 x 60 cm / 19 3/4 x 23 5/8 inches edition of 9 + 1 AP

Andrew Miksys *Untitled*, *Adutiškis*, *Lithuania*, 2008 digital C-print 60 x 50 cm / 23 5/8 x 19 3/4 inches edition of 9 + 1 AP

Andrew Miksys *Untitled, Eišiškės, Lithuania*, 2004 digital C-print 60 x 50 cm / 23 5/8 x 19 3/4 inches edition of 9 + 1 AP

Andrew Miksys Untitled, Pabradė, Lithuania, 2004 digital C-print 50 x 60 cm / 19 3/4 x 23 5/8 inches edition of 9 + 1 AP

Andrew Miksys *Untitled, Eišiškės, Lithuania*, 2003 digital C-print 60 x 50 cm / 23 5/8 x 19 3/4 inches edition of 9 + 1 AP

Serban Savu The Card Players, 2011 oil on canvas 135 x 180 cm / 53 1/8 x 70 7/8 inches (MP-SAVUS-00001)

"...OUT OF LOVE FOR MANKIND, AND OUT OF DESPAIR AT MY EMBARRASSING SITUATION, SEEING THAT I HAD ACCOMPLISHED NOTHING AND UNABLE TO MAKE ANYTHING EASIER THAN IT HAD ALREADY BEEN MADE, AND MOVED BY A GENUINE INTEREST IN THOSE WHO MAKE EVERYTHING EASY, I CONCEIVED IT AS MY TASK TO CREATE DIFFICULTIES EVERYWHERE..."

Soren Kierkegaard – writing pseudonymously as Johannes Climacus. 'Concluding Unscientific Postscript' (1846)

Nick Mauss *Untitled*, 2016 ink and china marker on paper, partially mirrored glass 54.9 x 75.2 cm / 21 5/8 x 29 5/8 inches

Nick Mauss *Untitled*, 2016 pastel and acrylic on paper, partially mirrored glass 54.9 x 75.2 cm / 21 5/8 x 29 5/8 inches

Serban Savu Small Talk after Lunch, 2012 oil on canvas 103 x 130 cm / 40 1/2 x 51 1/8 inches

Lobby cards produced on release of 'That Obscure Object Of Desire', directed by Luis Bunuel. (1977)