

JAMES FREEMAN GALLERY

Sikelela Owen – Artist Bio & CV



Sikelela Owen (1984, London) studied Painting at Chelsea College (2009) and then Fine Art at the Royal Academy Schools, graduating in 2012. Recent solo exhibitions include 'Together' at James Freeman Gallery, London; 'Supper, Sleep and Sorrow' at LdM Gallery, Florence; and 'Love, Eat, Sleep, Repeat' at HSBC Canada Place in London. In 2014 her work was included in '100 Painters of Tomorrow' at Beers Gallery and in the Thames & Hudson Publication. In 2019 Sikelela was awarded a Fellow's Residency at the British School at Rome, and in 2020 her work was shortlisted for the John Moores Painting Prize.

Education

2009-2012 Postgraduate Diploma In Fine Art Royal Academy Schools, London

2003-2009 BA Hons Fine Art (Painting) Chelsea College of Art and Design, London

Solo Exhibitions

2020 Together, James Freeman Gallery, London

2020 Supper, Sleep and Sorrow, LdM Gallery, Florence

2019 Sikelela Owen, James Freeman Gallery, London

2017 Love, Eat , Sleep, Repeat , HSBC Canada Place , London

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2014 People Every day NAM Project, Milan

2014 Everyday People Norman Rea Gallery. University of York, York

2006 Nyacomba Vernon Mills, Manchester

Selected Group Exhibitions

2021 John Moores Painting Prize (forthcoming)

2020 Me, Myself & I, Collyer Bristow Gallery, London

2018 Dentons Art Prize, London

2018 Muse, James Freeman Gallery, London

2015 100 Painters of Tomorrow Beers Contemporary, London

2015 Good Figures The Mall Gallery, London; Jerwood Space, West Sussex

2015 The Good, the Bad and the Ugly Gesso Arts Space, Vienna, Austria

2014 Portrait Show, curated by Andreas Reiter Gesso Arts Space, Vienna, Austria

2013 Anthology Charlie Smith, London

2013 Young Gods Part 1 curated by Zavier Ellis Griffin Gallery, London

2012 FBA Futures The Mall Gallery, London

2012 Schools Summer Show Royal Academy of the Arts, London

2011 The Summer Exhibition Royal Academy of School, London

Awards & Residencies

2019 Abbey Fellowship, British School at Rome

2019 Elephant Lab, London

2011 Dover Streets Arts club award, London

2010 Richard Ford Award - Prado Museum travel and drawing award, Madrid

2009-2012 Nichol Young Foundation Awards, London

Press And Publication

2014 100 Painters of Tomorrow by Thames and Hudson

2013 Young Gods 2012, a-n .co.uk review

2011 Arts, The Telegraph, Newspaper and online news

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Collections

Simmons & Simmons, London; Sir Richard Heaton, London; Robert Hiscox, London; HG Capital, London; Augustin, New York; Cuperior, Frankfurt