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This spring, we embark on the second of our seasons empowering art to address fundamental societal challenges.

Following our relaunch in May, which saw a new approach to exhibition planning, artworks from all over the world have been

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travelling to the Sainsbury Centre to pose urgent, global questions to visitors and help them find the answers.

Through a programme of exhibitions, interventions, collection displays and artist-led workshops, art will come alive to investigate our next big question:

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WHAT IS TRUTH?

This is an ever-pressing question in the current climate, when fake news, elaborate scams and Artificial Intelligence are overwhelming us. Are we in an era of 'post-truth', a time when increasing exposure of technologies distorts reality and authenticity is lost?

Deciding what is actually true in what we see, hear and read is one of hardest challenges in our lives today.

As always, great artists are always one step ahead in answering the big questions of our age.

We have created an entire museum landscape to investigate truth for visitors to discover in the most enjoyable, inspirational and engaging ways imaginable.

Jago Cooper Executive Director



ABOVE: Jago Cooper, Executive Director. Photo: Kate Wolstenholme LEFT: Max Pinckers, Tota Maina from the series Will They Sing Like Raindrops or Leave Me Thirsty, 2014 © Max Pinckers

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WHAT IS TRUTH Spring 2024



The second season of a radical new approach at the Sainsbury Centre, addressing urgent questions, is to launch.

This time, we investigate how we can know what is true in the world around us.

A dynamic programme of exhibitions and projects will enable visitors to investigate and discover their own truths and reveal hidden secrets about the world they thought they knew.



Watch our website for more on these activities between February and October 2024.

Our Universal Ticket is available at Gallery Reception.

LIQUID GENDER 17 February 2024 – 4 August 2024



Liquid Gender explores the relationship between identity and culture, asking how do we know who we really are?

Featuring the photography, collage and sculptural work of Leilah Babirye, Martine Gutierrez and Laryssa Machada and Antônio Vital Neto Pankararu, the pressures of society are pushed aside and the true self is revealed.

The artists will draw upon personal histories and

pre-colonial traditions from around the world to convey fluid approaches to gender expression and self-identity.

In spring, the exhibition will be added to with new holographic sculptures titled *In the Absence of Evidence, We Create Stories*, from Rashaad Newsome. The sculptures will animate to visualise dialogues between objects in the Sainsbury Centre collection about their past, present and future.

TICKETS

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ABOVE: Stuart Franklin The Tank Man stopping the column of T59 tanks. Tiananmen Square, Beijing, China. 4th June 1989. © Stuart Franklin/Magnum Photos

ABOVE: Martine Gutierrez, *Queer Rage, Imagine Life-Size, and I'm Tyra*, p66-67 from *Indigenous Woman*, 2018. © Martine Gutierrez; Courtesy of the artist and RYAN LEE Gallery, New York.



JEFFREY GIBSON

24 February 2024 – 4 August 2024



In his first solo exhibition in a UK museum, Jeffrey Gibson – who will become the first Indigenous solo artist to represent the USA at the Venice Biennale in 2024 – creates a new sitespecific installation for the Sainsbury Centre.

Incorporating murals, paintings, textiles and historical objects, Gibson includes text drawn lyrics, poetry, and his own writing, complete with references to abstraction, fashion and popular culture.

Nineteenth and twentieth century objects from Indigenous cultures of North America selected by the internationally renowned artist, will be shown alongside his works.

Jeffrey Gibson is supported by Stephen Friedman Gallery.

TICKETS

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IN EVENT OF MOON DISASTER 17 February 2024 – 4 August 2024



According to a YouGov poll, 16% of the British public believe that the 1969 Apollo 11 moon landing never happened.

'In event of moon disaster' was the title of a speech prepared for President Nixon in case of a catastrophe. The speech was never delivered, but artists Halsey Burgund and Francesca Panetta have used deepfake technology to offer an alternative event,

which will be played back on a vintage television.

Visitors will be immersed in a 1960s living room in an experience which has the power to make audiences reconsider whether we can believe the media we consume.

The artists said: "By using the most advanced techniques available, creating a video using both synthetic visuals and synthetic audio (a "complete deepfake"), we aim to show where this technology is heading – and what some of the key consequences might be."

In Event of Moon Disaster is an MIT Center for Advanced Virtuality Production. The work won an Emmy Award for Interactive Media Documentary in 2021.

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ABOVE: President Nixon reads out In Event of Moon Disaster speech. Copyright: MIT & Halsey Burgund

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THE CAMERA NEVER LIES: CHALLENGING IMAGES THROUGH THE INCITE PROJECT 18 May 2024 – 20 October 2024



The Camera Never Lies: Challenging images through The Incite Project re-evaluates some of the most iconic images of the past 100 years, asking to what extent they have shaped or created a false understanding of major global events.

The exhibition looks at the way photography has been used to present facts, whilst questioning its truth, through photographers such as Don McCullin and Robert Capa.

Photography's ability to convey spectacle quickly is effective, yet can be highly problematic when relied upon too heavily to reveal the full truth. The exhibition will include original photographs from the twentieth century which have come to represent iconic events through their repeated use in print journalism, superseding their original context as illustration to text.

Alongside will be work from artists who use photography to question assumed truths about diverse subjects, including government surveillance, domestic violence, and the effect of conflict on civilian populations.

Curated by Harriet Logan and Tristan Lund, the works in this exhibition are drawn from The Incite Project.

SEDIMENT SPIRIT: THE ACTIVATION OF ART IN THE ANTHROPOCENE Runs until 14 April 2024

This exhibition brings together artworks from the 1960s to the present day which are responding to the climate crisis in all its complexities.

Artworks invite audiences to view the Earth as living being that we play an active part in sustaining. *Sediment Spirit* acts to remind audiences that our home is not just the house or country we reside in, but the Earth itself.

TICKETS

Our Universal Ticket is available at Gallery Reception.



LIVING ART SHARING STORIES EAST END DISPLAY Until Autumn 2024



Highlights from the Sainsbury Centre Collection are presented in a striking display in our East End Gallery. Encouraging new discoveries and methods of engagement, this space enables people to build relationships with living works of art.

This display dramatically reimagines how we can

revitalise the cross-cultural conversations that were established at the foundation of the Sainsbury Centre in the 1970s, as one of the first museum settings that works of art from across six continents were displayed equally and in conversation. Become an artwork in a museum case; experience art in new settings, and create works of art.

TICKETS

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TOP: Max Pinckers & Sam Weerdmeester, *Controversy*, 2017 ABOVE: Paul Cocksedge, *Coalescence*, 2023. © Paul Cocksedge. Photo by Andy Crouch

ABOVE: Living Art - East End Display at the Sainsbury Centre. Glass Case. Photo: Andi Sapey

LIVING AREA AND COLLECTION TOURS & SMARTIFY AUDIO TOURS AND OBJECT RECOGNITION



This season, the Living Area presents exciting new acquisitions including *Spokes*, 2023, a painting by Francesca Mollett, among others.

There is also the dramatic intervention by Paul Cocksedge, whose *Coalescence* hovers suspended above Alberto Giacometti's iconic *Standing Woman*, whilst Claudia Martínez Garay's installation brings together a new painting and sculptures with ancient artefacts from her native Peru.

We see the return of Chaim Soutine, *Lady in Blue* as well as Barbara Hepworth's *Discs in Echelon, version 2* courtesy of the Hepworth Estate; and John Hoyland's great late painting, *Song*, has also joined the display on Long Loan from the John Hoyland Estate.

SMARTIFY TOURS

Through the Smartify app, you can listen to our audio experiences and discover new ways to meet the art in our collection.

HOW TO USE

1. Download the free Smartify app at Smartify.org or scan the QR code:



2. Click 'Explore' in the app and search for 'Sainsbury Centre'

3. Browse our audio tours

SCAN AN OBJECT

If you want to find out more about an object, just click 'scan' and point your camera at an object to reveal its life story.

You can also save objects you have scanned to your smartphone in a personal digital collection which you can share with others on Smartify.

SMARTIFY

SPOTLIGHT TOURS Living Area and Sculpture Park Spring 2024

Thursday 1 February Talking Heads *Learn their stories from our paintings and sculptures.* Guide: Lin Malton

Friday 9 February

All My Own Work? Why do some artists use assistants and others work alone? Guide: Beverley Scott

Thursday 15 February

Body pARTs Head, shoulders, knees and toes... Guide: Polly Gould

Wednesday 6 March Ye Gods

...and how they matter! Guide: Wilson Graham

Thursday 14 March

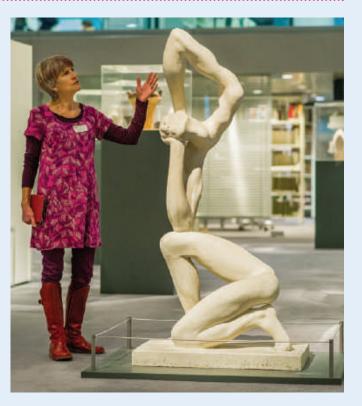
Truth to Materials ...and how they matter! Guide: Cathy Merry

Sunday 17 March

Let's Make Music Musical instruments and images of musicians Guide: Dave Johnson

Saturday 23 March

Only Connect Exploring connections between works of art in the collection. Guide: Diane Freeborn



Tuesday 26 March Bucket Man – the Enigma *Exploring the work of artist John Davies* Guide: Bo Davis

A new season means we have exciting new Spotlight Tours for you, beginning on 1 February and ending on 26 March. You will have the chance to join your guide before the tour to enjoy a cup of coffee and a delicious cake in the Terrace Café. Then you will be led on a tailored tour of the Living Area, where one particular aspect of the collection will be highlighted, illuminating unexpected connections.

The total cost for each tour, including refreshments, is £6.

Please book in advance sainsburycentre.ac.uk

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SCULPTURE PARK Open during daylight hours Suitable for all ages



The Sculpture Park is the perfect place to enjoy striking art outdoors all year round, so pick up a trail map from the front desk and explore art, architecture and the natural environment.

This season, we see the return of Leiko Ikemura's *Usagi Kannon*, situated to the south of the Sainsbury Centre. This large figurative bronze sculpture is part human, part animal with rabbit ears and a human face. Usagi is the Japanese word for rabbit or hare and Kannon in Buddhism refers to a Female Bodhisattva of Mercy, regarded as the protector of women and children.

This hybrid character was first created in 2011 in response to the Fukushima nuclear disaster in Japan. With a crying face in mourning, the sculpture is dedicated to the people and living beings who died and suffered losses in the tragedy. *Usagi Kannon* offers shelter through their bellshaped skirt, acting as a protective shrine.

LEARNING: PUBLIC PROGRAMME Visit sainsburycentre.ac.uk for details





Artist talk:

Ro Robertson Thursday 25 April 6-7pm, £6 Pay if and what you can Meet at Gallery Reception

Sainsbury Centre's Chief Curator of Art, Tania Moore, will be in conversation with artist Ro Robertson.

Robertson's *Drench*, inspired by the energy of the tidal zone, sits within the Sainsbury Centre Sculpture Park and their drawing/ painting *Stack* (*Body set in Motion*), which represents a body of water dividing two rocky elements, is displayed in the Living Area.

Working with sculpture, drawing, painting and video, Robertson explores the boundaries of the human body and its environment and works to reclaim a space for LGBTQ+ identity.

Please book online in advance sainsburycentre.ac.uk

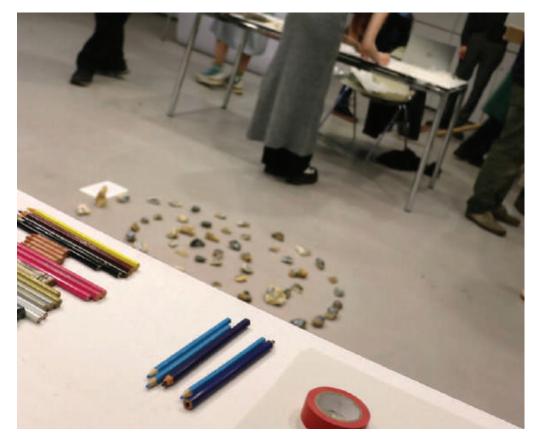
Or call Gallery Reception on 01603 593199.

TOP: Ro Robertson. Photo: Jules Lister ABOVE: Ro Robertson, *Drench*, 2022. Photo: Andy Crouch



LEARNING: ADULTS AND YOUNG PEOPLE

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Young Associates

Starts Tuesday 13 February 4.40-6.30pm FREE booking essential

Young Associates is a weekly creative programme for young people aged 16-25 years old to try out new ideas, learn new skills, share work, meet artists and join a network of new collaborators.

Through a series of artistled workshops, Young Associates will engage with new ways of working creatively in response to our *What is Truth?* season, taking aspects of the Sainsbury Centre art landscape as a starting point. They will develop their own creative project with reference to their existing and acquired skills, knowledge and experience.

For more information and to book, visit our website.

LEARNING: CHILDREN AND FAMILIES Visit sainsburycentre.ac.uk for details





Family Sundays

Drop-in activities suitable for all ages on the first Sunday of every month. Pop into the Sainsbury Centre any time during the morning to try a FREE creative activity. No need to book.

Sunday 7 January 10.30am-12.30pm with Paul Patrick Fenner

Sunday 4 February 10.30am-12.30pm with Marnie Hardy

Sunday 3 March 10.30am-12.30pm *Outdoor Explore* with Jess Morgan

Sunday 7 April 10.30am-12.30pm *Outdoor Explore* with Abby Page

Sunday 5 May 10.30am-12.30pm with Jo Hayes

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Mini Studio

Term-time workshops for parents, carers, and preschool children. Take part in relaxed guided exploration followed by multisensory play with a Sainsbury Centre artist. Book from the beginning of each month on our website and pay what you can.

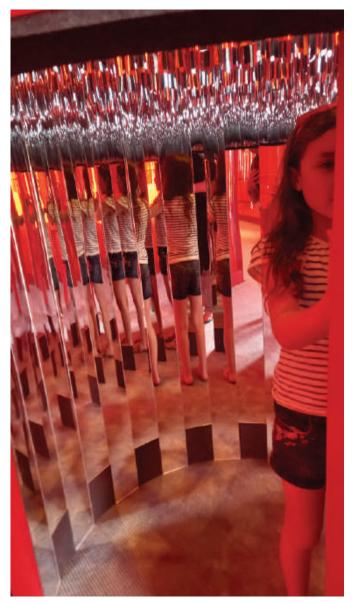
Tuesday 9 January 10.30am-12pm *Waving to Water* with Rose Feather Tuesday 13 February 10.30am-12pm Shells and Sanctuaries with James Metsoja

Tuesday 12 March 10.30am-12pm *Me and You* with Verity Newman

Tuesday 14 May 10.30am-12pm *Moving Myself* with Abby Page Creative Holiday Fun Science Festival (a) The Forum, Norwich Saturday 17 February All day FREE Drop-In at the Science Festival Explorium with Kate Munro

Come and explore *Symbolic Turtles* with us and contribute to a collaborative artwork.

LEARNING: CHILDREN AND FAMILIES Visit sainsburycentre.ac.uk for details



Young Artists' Studio (7-11): Symbolic Turtles

Tuesday 20 February 10.30am-3.30pm Spend the day in the Sainsbury Centre galleries and studio with artist Kate Munro, exploring the turtle-themed objects in our collection. We will create artworks that will remind us what we can learn from turtles about protecting our oceans.

Book from the beginning of January on our website and pay what you can.

Family Studio: What is Truth?

Saturday 30 March 10.30am-2pm An artist-led workshop for all the family. Come along to explore our seasonal theme together and make artwork with Anna Brass in response to a BIG question!

Suitable for children aged 5+.

Book from the beginning of March on our website and pay what you can.

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THE SHOP

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The Sainsbury Centre shop stocks a wide range of products, from contemporary ceramics and handmade jewellery to greetings cards, design gifts, and art books.

As well as unique pieces from exciting makers and artists, the Sainsbury Centre shop also publishes a selection of award-winning books.

Visit the Sainsbury Centre shop in person during

opening times or browse online on our website.

Members get 20% off selected items in our shop.

New publication from February 2024

Accompanying our *What Is Truth?* season will be a new book, exploring the question of truth in art history, truth in photography and truth in museums.





It will include new essays by academics and curators, Frances Borzello, Jake Charles Rees and Tania Moore; alongside conversations exploring these questions with The Incite Project's Harriet Logan and Tristan Lund and artists Jeffrey Gibson and Rashaad Newsome.

What is Truth? is edited by Tania Moore and published by the Sainsbury Centre.

THE TERRACE CAFE Tuesday–Friday: 9.30am–4.30pm Saturday–Sunday: 10am–4.30pm



The Terrace Cafe serves coffee from multi-awardwinning roasters Square Mile, offering a menu of popular espresso-based drinks, as well as a single origin filter coffee. There is a hand-selected menu of food and drinks from East Anglia's leading suppliers.

Enjoy one of our delicious sandwiches filled with high quality local meat and cheese, with plant-based options available.

We have enticing cakes and scones sourced from the amazing Hestia Patisserie, and our new sticky toffee cake from Sticky Fingers Blinding Bakes, perfect to satisfy your sweet tooth. We have also recently introduced some other local suppliers, including Crush, who supply Norfolk Tea Co. teas and Kettle Chips which are made in Norwich.

Members take advantage of 10% off your entire order.

Last orders taken 30 minutes before closing time.

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ABOVE: The Terrace Cafe. Photo: Amber Bentham and Erin Chambers



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Join our Exhibition Circle and help bring amazing art to life!

Through an annual donation of £500 for Exhibition Circle, or £1000 for

Exhibition Circle Plus, you will gain insights into every aspect of the museum and the collection. Your support will enable the Sainsbury Centre to create innovative learning and community programmes, stage world-class exhibitions, conserve our outstanding collections and develop a free-to-enter Sculpture Park.

As a thank you for your support, you will be the first to hear about new activity across our arts landscape and enjoy special tours and access to our programmes, as well as being part of an amazing community of art lovers.

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View across the Sainsbury Centre Living Area gallery to the SRU's Robert Sainsbury Library and postgraduate study space

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Members' Previews for our special exhibitions

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20% off in the Sainsbury Centre Shop*

10% off at the Terrace Cafe

Bi-monthly Members' email newsletter

Invitation to exclusive events, including an Annual Evening with the Director

A Members-only parking permit

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Young Membership: From £35 Available as Individual, + 1, or + Guests, for those aged under 30

Student Membership - Free: Free student membership is available to UEA and Norwich University of the Arts students.

Please come to the front desk for more information, or email scva@uea.ac.uk.

Join us today: sainsburycentre.ac.uk/members/ Call 01603 593199 Fmail scva@uea.ac.uk



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01603 593199. Lines open Monday-Friday 10am-5pm

OPENING TIMES

Tuesday–Friday 9am–6pm (exhibitions open 9.30am) Saturday-Sunday 10am-5pm Closed Mondays, including bank holidays

ENTRY

The Universal Ticket grants access to the permanent collection, lower and mezzanine galleries, and Sculpture Park. Tickets operate on a 'Pay If and What You Can' basis and are available at Gallery Reception. No pre-booking necessary.

If you would like to make a group booking or have additional access needs, please contact us on scva@ uea.ac.uk or 01603 593199.

If you are a member, please present your membership card at Gallery Reception where you will be given a free ticket for entry.

PLAN YOUR VISIT

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Browse online or in person.

Tuesday-Friday 9am-5pm

Saturday-Sunday 10am-5pm

the Sainsbury Centre Shop

and accessible toilets.

MODERN LIFE CAFE

Monday Closed

THE TERRACE

Monday Closed

Tuesday-Friday

9.30am-4.30pm

Saturday-Sunday

PAYMENT Currently we can only accept card and phone payments. _____

ACCESS There is level access on the ground floor to our

10am-4.30pm Last orders taken 30 minutes before closing time.

> SCHOOL VISITS Visitors should be aware that we welcome school visits to all our exhibitions throughout the year.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

EASTER OPENING HOURS:

OPEN 10am-5pm 29 March (Good Friday) 30 March (Easter Saturday) 31 March (Easter Sunday) 2 April

CLOSED

1 April (Easter Monday)

PARKING

FREE. Register your car at Gallery Reception.

VENUE HIRE

We can host corporate events, group visits, location filming, studio workshops and more, as well as a range of catering and accommodation options. To contact us about booking an event, please email: events.scva@uea.ac.uk

GROUP BOOKINGS

We welcome visits from larger groups. If you would like to make a group booking, please email scva@uea.ac.uk

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