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Autumn & Winter 09/10

Exhibitions and Events



Dreams and Desires, 2006, Joanna Quinn

Autumn/Winter Highlights

Neeta Madahar
Bradford Fellowship in Photography
2008-09

Gallery One
16 October 2009 – 21 February 2010
Free Admission

Neeta Madahar is a visual artist working with photography and video. This exhibition is the culmination of her two years as the 14th Bradford Fellow.

The Fellowship allowed Madahar to begin making *Flora*, a project that has been in development since 2004. *Flora* evokes the style of Hollywood studio portraiture from the 1930s - 50s, drawing inspiration from the society photographs of Cecil Beaton and Madame Yevonde.

Flora extends Madahar's interest in combining natural and artificial worlds in her photography and is shown alongside Madahar's other photography and video works.

Also included is a selection of photographs from the Museum's Collection that Madahar has drawn upon for inspiration.

The Bradford Fellowship

The Bradford Fellowship is a partnership between the University of Bradford, Bradford College and the National Media Museum. The Fellowship is a prestigious award, given to mid-career photographers or artists to develop their professional practice in the context of the Museum's Collection.

Exclusive interviews, links to magazine articles and further images are available on the exhibition's website

www.nationalmediamuseum.org.uk/neetamadahar

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Lisa with Primroses, 2009, Neeta Madahar

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Drawings that Move:
The Art of Joanna Quinn

Gallery Two

16 October 2009 - 21 February 2010

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The animator Joanna Quinn's distinctive hand-drawn style and sharp, witty observation of human character, demonstrated in films like *Girls Night Out* (1986), *Britannia* (1993) and *Dreams and Desires* (2006), has won her many admirers and international awards, especially for her trademark character 'Beryl'. This first-ever retrospective brings together drawings from the last twenty-five years to show her highly individual approach to the art and business of animation. The exhibition also includes original works by artists who have inspired her, such as Gillray, Toulouse-Lautrec, Degas and the notable contemporary illustrators Steve Bell and Posy Simmonds.



Wife of Bath, 1998, Joanna Quinn

Exclusive interviews, links to magazine articles and further images are available on the exhibition's website www.nationalmediamuseum.org.uk/joannaquinn



Elles, 1992, Joanna Quinn



Britannia, 1993, Joanna Quinn



Autumn/Winter Highlights

MediaFest 09 – Women in the Media

**Thursday 15 October 2009,
9.45am – 5.00pm
Cubby Broccoli Cinema**

The *MediaFest* conference strand explores the various ways in which the media influences and informs contemporary debate. This year's *MediaFest* conference will consider the ever-changing role of women in the media and explore the variety of ways in which this role is identified, deconstructed and portrayed. Join us to hear a variety of opinions and discussions focusing on the digital revolution, the role of women in the film industry, the supposed sexualisation of culture, women and/in the news and also hear from insiders about their careers in the media industry. Speakers confirmed so far include keynote speaker Emily Bell (*Guardian*), Rachel Millward (*Birds Eye View*), Rosalind Gill (*Kings College*), Karen Ross (*University of Liverpool*), Kaye Elling (*Bradford University*), Liz Molyneux (*BBC*), Neeta Madahar and Joanna Quinn amongst others.

Further details can be found on the MediaFest09 website
www.nationalmediamuseum.org.uk/mediafest09

*Tickets £4.00/£3.50 concessions (per session)
Pass £20/£15 concessions (all sessions)*



Soap Season

Addicted to the antics of Albert Square? Can't get enough of *Corrie*? Hooked on *Hollyoaks*? Beginning in February 2010, the Museum will be commemorating numerous soap anniversaries by hosting a series of events examining the impact, popularity and longevity of British soap opera.

The season begins at 7pm on Friday 19 February with an evening celebrating 25 years of *EastEnders*. Join us for a chance to reminisce about classic moments, watch rare and previously unseen footage, and discuss what the future may hold for Walford's residents.

The BBC is marking the anniversary with a week of dramatic episodes. During our evening we will tune into the final instalment of the week – a special edition of the soap performed and transmitted live!

A Village Lost and Found Brian May and Elena Vidal

**Thursday 19 November 2009, 7.30 – 9.00pm
Cubby Broccoli Cinema**

Join Curator of Photographic technology Colin Harding in conversation with Brian May and Elena Vidal talking about their new book *A Village Lost and Found* (Frances Lincoln). The book provides an extraordinary insight into English society in the mid-Victorian era, explains historic photographic techniques and explores the life of the enigmatic photographer T. R. Williams, who appears, from time to time, Hitchcock-like, in his own photographs. Following this event there will be a book signing.

*Tickets £7.00/£5.50 concessions
Further details can be found on our website*

Angie and Den, *EastEnders*, BBC

Autumn/Winter Events, Talks, Tours and Courses

Breakfast with the Artists

Friday 16 October 2009, 10.00am – 12.00pm
Pictureville Cinema

Join artist Neeta Madahar and animator Joanna Quinn for a discussion about their current exhibitions, *Neeta Madahar: Bradford Fellowship in Photography 2008 – 09* and *Drawings that Move: The Art of Joanna Quinn* here at the National Media Museum. Over coffee and croissants curators Michael Harvey and Greg Hobson will talk to Neeta and Joanna about the development of their ideas and practice and offer the audience the opportunity to ask questions about the two disciplines of photography and animation and gain valuable professional advice.

This event is free however places are limited so please book in advance.

Creative Writing Course

Tuesday 3 November – Tuesday 8 December 2009 (6 sessions), 10.30am – 12.30pm, Kraszna-Krausz Room

Plotting and Pacing! Plotting is the story itself. Pacing is how the writer unravels the story. Join the National Media Museum's writers' circle and discover a variety of new ways to develop your creative voice by using the National Collection for inspiration, and by exploring the range and potential of crime writing. This course is open to all who have an interest in writing regardless of education or experience.

Tickets cost £30/20 concessions, refreshments included. Places are limited so please book in advance on 0870 70 10 200.

16th Bradford Animation Festival 11 – 14 November 2009

This year's programme includes screentalks, workshops and special events by some of the industry's top names and culminates in the annual BAF Awards, which celebrate the very best in new animation from around the world. Find out more at www.baf.org.uk or call 0870 70 10 200.

Speed Date the Animators

Thursday 12 November, 7.00 – 8.00pm
Gallery Two

Taking place against the backdrop of *Drawings that Move: The Art of Joanna Quinn* in Gallery Two, we offer the opportunity to speed date industry insiders including Joanna Quinn. There will be a chance to show examples of your work and in return you will gain invaluable professional advice. But remember, when the bell rings your time is up and you must move onto your next date! This event is free but places will be allocated on a first come first served basis. Laptops will be provided.

Yorkshire Photography Network

Impressions Gallery, Centenary Square, Bradford

These regular, informal meetings for photographers and people interested in photography are aimed at bringing people together and making connections. Meet like-minded people with similar interests, chat or swap feedback in a friendly supportive setting.

Thursday 26 November, 6.00 to 7.30pm

Photographer John Houlihan will be talking about his work including corporate, social care and adventure. For more information about his work please visit www.witness.co.uk

Thursday 14 January, 6.00 - 7.30pm

Speaker to be confirmed.

These events are free, however places are limited please book in advance on 08450 515 882

Yorkshire Photographers Network is collaboration between Impressions Gallery, National Media Museum, Fabric and Bradford Museums and Galleries.

Animated Life Class

Saturday 28 November 2009, 10.30am – 4.00pm

Illustrator Simon Manfield and animation artist Jack Lockhart present an animation and life drawing workshop to coincide with *Drawings that Move: The Art of Joanna Quinn*. Participants will develop skills in observational life drawing and work together to create an animated film.

Tickets £35, places are limited so please book in advance.

In Conversation with Neeta Madahar

Wednesday 2 December 2009, 2pm
On Location

Join Curator of Photography Greg Hobson as he speaks to the Bradford fellow in photography Neeta Madahar. Neeta will talk about her career, her influences and her working style and offer a personal insight into her current exhibition here at the Museum. Following the interview, there will be an opportunity to join Neeta on a guided tour of the exhibition.

This event and gallery tour is free however places are limited so please book in advance

Twilight Dreams A Night of Flora, Photography and Fame

Thursday 21 January 2010, 6.00pm – 9.00pm, Gallery One

Join us for a spectacular evening of photographic delights as we open Gallery One after hours for your viewing pleasure. Photographer Vicki Churchill, who worked with Neeta Madahar on the *Flora* series of portraits, will be taking photographs in her uniquely created portrait studio. These photographs will take inspiration from the work on display in *Neeta Madahar: Bradford Fellowship in Photography 2008 – 09*. So come along and help Vicki to recreate the magic of the pictures in the gallery with you in the frame!

This event is free

Creative Writing Course

Tuesday 26 January - Tuesday 2 March 2010 (6 sessions), 10.30am – 12.30pm, Kraszna-Krausz Room

Poetry! Are you in love with words? Do you want to start posing the greatest of them in the finest order? Join the National Media Museum's writers circle and learn how to explore exciting new forms of poetry and prose. We will help you take interesting first steps into new writing worlds using the National Collection for inspiration. This course is open to all who have an interest in writing regardless of education or experience.

Tickets cost £30/20 concessions, refreshments included. Places are limited so please book in advance on 0870 70 10 200.

In Conversation with Joanna Quinn

Thursday 28 January 2010, 7.00 – 8.30pm
Cubby Broccoli Cinema

Join Michael Harvey, Curator of Cinematography in conversation with multi award winning animator Joanna Quinn. To tie in with Joanna's current exhibition *Drawings that Move: The Art of Joanna Quinn*, she will be speaking about her show, her interests and influences and offering a personal insight into her career and many films. Following the interview, there will be an opportunity to join Joanna on a guided tour of the exhibition

Tickets cost £5.00, £3.50 concessions

The gallery tour is free however places are limited so please book in advance

Autumn/Winter Events, Talks, Tours and Courses

Life Drawing with Joanna Quinn and Beryl

Friday January 29 2010, 7.00 – 9.00pm
Gallery Two

Join Joanna Quinn as she leads a life drawing class set against the backdrop of her current exhibition *Drawings that Move: The Art of Joanna Quinn*. Come along and spend the evening in Joanna's company whilst she talks you through a class and offers her own insights into the work on the walls surrounding you. But who will you be drawing? Well, that is where we need your help. We are looking for somebody to be the life model for this session and have the opportunity to work with Joanna Quinn for this unique event. If you feel that you are/ know someone who encapsulates the personality of Joanna's famous character Beryl then we would love to hear from you. Please get in touch and send us an email, a video, a letter, photo, a drawing or anything that you feel demonstrates your suitability for this role by 4 December 2009.

Further details can be found on our website at www.nationalmediamuseum.org.uk/joannaquinn

Participation in this event is restricted to adults aged 18 and over.

Photography Now – Contemporary Photography Symposium

Friday 19 February 2010, 10.00am – 5.00pm
Cubby Broccoli Cinema

Photographers, curators and collectors will discuss current trends in contemporary photographic arts, including the challenges facing photographers in securing audiences alongside sustaining their practice.

TV Heaven

TV Heaven is a free facility where you can watch over 900 British television programmes from our archive spanning from the 1950s onwards. Sit back, relax and take in some nostalgia in our specially designed pods. Programmes include classic comedies, childhood favourites, soaps, hard-hitting documentaries, memorable plays, dramas and much more.

Our TV Heaven team also run a number of special talks and events. These events are free but spaces are limited. To reserve your place please call 0870 70 10 200 or ask at the Museum information desk.

The Birth of Monty Python

Thursday 8 October, 6.30pm and Monday 26 October, 2.00pm

Forty years ago this October, Monty Python made their debut with *Monty Python's Flying Circus* (BBC, 1969-1974). Prior to their union, the six Pythons had all worked on a number of notable television projects which helped to shape their infamous comedy partnership. Join TV Heaven for a talk on how the notorious comedy troop came to be, and the influence they have had on television comedy. An introduction will be followed by screenings of pre-python projects and the first ever episode of *Monty Python's Flying Circus*.

Monty Python Week

Monday 26th – Friday 30 October

Join us as we celebrate Monty Python's 40th anniversary. *Monty Python's Flying Circus* (BBC, 1969-1974) went on to spawn successful stage shows, films and musicals, while having an enormous impact on the development of television comedy. Join us for a host of Python themed events including TV Heaven talks and screenings. Please see the Museum website for full details.

TV Heaven Remembers Verity Lambert

Thursday 15 October, 1.00pm

As part of *MediaFest 09*, TV Heaven looks back at the career of Verity Lambert, OBE, the hugely influential BBC producer who was responsible for *Doctor Who*, *Eldorado*,

Speakers to be confirmed.

Tickets cost £10.00, £8.00 concessions

Please see Museum website for further details.

Film Extra

The Museum runs a number of courses and Saturday schools throughout the year. No previous knowledge, experience or qualifications are required.

Here's a list of subjects confirmed for this autumn/winter season

For further information and prices please visit the Film Extra webpage:

<http://www.nationalmediamuseum.org.uk/learning/FilmExtra.asp> or call 0870 70 10 201.

Surreal Visions in French Cinema

Evening Course, Starts Monday 12 October (9 weeks) 6.30 – 8.30pm

Cinema and The Occult

Saturday School, 24 October, 10.30am – 4.30pm

Joseph Losey - The Alienated Auteur

Saturday School, 21 November, 10.30am – 4.30pm

The Contemporary Gothic Imagination

Saturday School 5, December, 10.30am – 4.30pm

Forthcoming Exhibitions

Simon Roberts: We English

12 March – 5 September 2010
Gallery One

Throughout 2008, British photographer Simon Roberts travelled the length and breadth of England, documenting the English at leisure in its richly varied landscape. Gathered together as *We English*, his works are an intriguing and lyrical personal exploration of Englishness.

Simon will also work with Museum Curators to select complementary works from the Museum's Collection that extend and illuminate his inspirations and practice.

Robbie Cooper: Immersion

12 March – 5 September 2010
Gallery Two

The work of photographer and video artist Robbie Cooper explores the issues surrounding the increasing amount of contemporary media immersion many people experience on a daily basis. From children playing video games, to people living out second lives through online virtual worlds, this new exhibition documents the many ways in which people choose to disengage from everyday life.

Robbie Cooper's *Immersion* series records viewers "through-the-screen" as they interact with digital media, in states ranging from heightened arousal to deadened awareness. His *Alter Ego* series explores the phenomenon of the avatar, the digital characters that virtual world gamers create. Portraits of gamers are paired with their avatars, graphically dramatizing the gap between fantasy and reality.

Mirrors in the Sky

Opens Winter 2009
Evolve, Experience TV

Mirrors in the Sky takes a look at the story of satellite television. The first major satellite broadcasters were Sky and British Satellite Broadcasting (BSB). They used technologies, programming and business styles which were poles apart. The ultimate product of their battle for survival, a direct-to-home satellite TV service, gradually revolutionised British television, changing forever the way we receive and consume broadcasting.

Evolve is a temporary exhibition space dedicated to television technology, located in the centre of Experience TV, the Museum's permanent TV gallery. *Mirrors in the Sky* is sponsored by our Technology Sponsor, Pace plc.

For exact opening date please check the Museum website.



South Downs Way, West Sussex, 8th October 2007. Simon Roberts

IMAX® Titles To Look Out For:



Disney's A Christmas Carol

October

Fly me to the Moon 3D

November

Disney's A Christmas Carol 3D

December

Avatar 3D (to be confirmed)

For further information and to book tickets visit www.nationalmedia-museum.org.uk/filmandimax

Film

Pictureville and Cubby Broccoli cinemas regularly screen the best contemporary and classic films and frequently welcome guests from the cinema industry to talk about their work. We pride ourselves in projecting films as they are meant to be seen, in a range of historical and modern formats from Cinerama three-strip to digital. For further information pick up the Museum's film guide or visit www.nationalmedia-museum.org.uk/filmandimax



A Prophet (Un prophète)

Archive

Archive is a magazine published by the Museum. It offers a fascinating mix of articles on the current programme of exhibitions, festivals and events. The latest edition is available from the museum shop for £3.00 or can be purchased online at www.nationalmediamuseum.org.uk/General/BookBuy.asp.



Regular Events

Reminiscence Sessions

Wednesdays, 10.30am, meet by the lens in the Museum foyer

Twice a month we use the Museum's collections, exhibitions, film festivals and archive of television programmes as the stimulus for sharing memories and recollecting times gone by. New people are always welcome to join our informal discussion group.

These events are free, however places are limited, please book in advance.

Wednesday 14 October

Subject to be confirmed.

Wednesday 28 October

We will be responding to the *Drawings that Move: The Art of Joanna Quinn* exhibition which explores the work of this award winning animator.

Wednesday 11 November

Subject to be confirmed.

Wednesday 25 November

This session will be explore the work of Neeta Madahar, *Bradford Fellow 2008-2009*.

Wednesday 9 December, 13 & 27 January, 10 & 24 February

Subjects to be confirmed

Exhibition Guided Tours

Neeta Madahar: Bradford Fellowship in Photography 2008-09 and Drawings that Move: The Art of Joanna Quinn.

Led by Museum staff, enjoy an informal introductory tour of the exhibitions, exploring the themes and variety of work on display.

These events are free, no booking required. Please see the What's On Today leaflet for times.

Curator Talks for Groups

Gallery One & Gallery Two

Designed for groups of 10 to 20 people, these talks offer in depth explorations of the exhibitions and will be led by exhibition curators Greg Hobson (Gallery One) and Michael Harvey (Gallery Two).

These events are free, to make a booking in advance or for more information please call 0870 70 10 201



Gallery Two

Christmas Party Nights - Throughout December

Celebrate Christmas in true premiere style this year at West Yorkshire's leading stylish party venue. Why not consider the Christmas Canapés and Culture package in our Experience TV gallery or even experience the latest trend in Christmas parties and opt for our Christmas Bowl Food and Dance

package, a stylish and fun alternative to the traditional Christmas dinner.

Tickets from £15.95-£34.95. Call 01274 203354 or email events@nationalmediamuseum.org.uk. Terms and conditions apply.

Booking and Enquiries 0870 70 10 200 www.nationalmediamuseum.org.uk

Museum entry is FREE

Open Tuesday – Sunday 10.00am – 6.00pm

Closed Mondays except during school and Bank Holidays. Please check the website for Christmas opening hours.

Cinemas open daily until late

Booking and enquiries

0870 70 10 200 (National Rate)
www.nationalmediamuseum.org.uk

Information desk times

Tuesday – Sunday 10.00am – 5.00pm
in the Museum foyer
Monday and evenings 5.00 – 9.00pm

Refreshments

Intermission Café:
Open Tuesday – Sunday 10.00am – 5.00pm
Pictureville Bar: Open 5.00 – 9.00pm daily
Child friendly meals and snacks are available in the Museum café. We also have dedicated picnic spaces available.

Learning

School and group visits can be booked in advance by calling **0870 70 10 201**

Corporate and private events

You can hire most of the spaces within the Museum including the 3 cinemas.
Call **01274 203 354** or email **nmem.events@nationalmediamuseum.org.uk**

Facilities for visitors with disabilities

For information about access and facilities please call **0870 70 10 200**

Be the first to find out what's happening at the National Media Museum. Visit www.nationalmediamuseum.org.uk/ register and sign up to receive regular updates on upcoming films, events and festivals.

National Media Museum will not share your information with any third party and will only contact you about Museum activities.

Access

By public transport:

The Museum is just a five-minute walk from Bradford Interchange with rail, bus and taxi services all under one roof. Forster Square station is a fifteen-minute walk.

By road:

Follow Bradford City Centre & brown tourism signs from Junction 26 off the M62.

Bradford redevelopment

During 2009 and 2010 there are a number of projects happening in Bradford that may affect your journey to the Museum. We advise you check the Museum website – www.nationalmediamuseum.org.uk/General/PlanAVisit.asp for up to date information and follow any redirection signs on arrival into the city centre.

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