

Flora Bradwell

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The desire to playfully rub the fantastical up against the everyday drives Flora Bradwell's practice. Flora is a London based artist who studied Fine Art Painting at City & Guilds of London Art School. Winner of the David Ballardie Travel Award in 2008, she travelled to Edinburgh Festival. The ideas of façade, performance and the carnivalesque continue to influence Flora's vibrant canvases, performances, installations and video work. Flora's alter-ego, Bella Lordwarf, occupies the liminal space between the fictions that Flora creates and physical space in the real world. Bella is in the process of creating her own personal mythology through appropriation of visual and historical language, composition and narrative.

Flora's work has been exhibited and screened across the UK and internationally. Flora has also collaborated in curating a number of site responsive projects, installations and exhibitions across London including *Member*, Artslav, 2016 and *The Second Self Salon*, Tan Like That, 2015 and *The Memory Exchange* in association with Spacemakers and Lambeth Council in 2009. In 2011 Flora co- founded Greenhorn Short Film Festival, an annual festival celebrating short film making talent. As co-director Flora produced five editions of the festival, programming screenings, cross arts events and education opportunities for emerging filmmakers. In 2016 Flora launched INLAND, a portable exhibition in zine format, in collaboration with artist Sylwia Narbutt, in response to the uncertainty surrounding affordable space. INLAND has had two issues to date. In 2017 Flora joined the icing room collective in Walthamstow.

Education

2007 -2009 City & Guilds of London Art School, Fine Art: Painting BA (Hons)

2003 -2006 The University of York, English Literature, BA (Hons)

Solo Shows

2016 Bella Lordwarf: More Cake Please!, The Exchange at Brunswick East, London

2015 #BUYMYPAINING, The Shop, London

2013 The Cluen Dynasty Museum, Jacksons Lane, London

2010 New Etchings by Flora Bradwell, Pleasance, London

Selected Group Shows

2017 Gender Fluid, Ice Space, Bath

2017 Royal Trash, Bethnal Green Working Men's Club, London

2016 Garden of Earthly Delights, Tactile Bosch, Cardiff

2016 Where Art Meets Music, Atticao Art Centre, Watford

2014 Folkestone Triennial, Folkestone Harbour Hub, Folkestone

2014 Burlesque & The Sensual Arts, Trispace Gallery, London

2013 The Dugout Festival, Hoxton Arches, London

2013 Equations Festival, Kingsgate Gallery, London

2012 BEEP 2012, Wales International Painting Prize, Swansea

2011 Nostalgia, Camden Collective Gallery, London

2011 Parallax Art Fair, La Galleria, London

2010 Celebrating the Pomp Us, Topolski Gallery, London

2009 Degree Show, City & Guilds of London Art School, London

2008 The Electricians Shop, Trinity Buoy Wharf, London

Performances

2017 The Lady, Miranda, Ace Hotel, London

2017 I Have A Penis, Zaratan, Lisbon

2017 It's Alive: Live Art Cinema, Home For Waifs And Strays, The Edge, Birmingham

2017 Institutionalised, RCA Art Bar, London

2016 TMH does Pride, Miranda, Ace Hotel, London

2015 TMH Projects Pride, InTransit Festival, The Pembroke, London

2015 Independent Art Fair, The Rag Factory, London

2012 The Cluen Museum, Freshly Scratched, Battersea Arts Centre, London

Selected Curated Shows and Collaborative Projects

2017 More Stuff, 44 Ashdown Crescent, London
2017 INLAND#2: Neither, 198 Contemporary Arts and Learning, London
2017 solution 66, the icing room, London
2017 Sublimate, the icing room, London
2017 INLAND#2: Neither, Centrala, Birmingham
2017 Minotaur Maze, The Crypt Gallery, London
2016 INLAND#1: Erasure, Brixton Pound, London
2016 Member, ArtsLav, London
2015 Second Self Salon, Tan Like That, London
2012 Strange Worlds, Pleasance, London
2012 LAND OF TINA, Tina, We Salute You, Land of Kings Festival, London
2011 One Year On, 27 Theobald's Road, London
2010 Museum of Ewetopia, Pleasance, London
2010 Photoboard, Would You Like to Participate in an artistic Experience, Showroom, London
2009-2010 The Memory Exchange, Brixton Village Market, London

Selected Screenings

2017 The Artist Film Festival IV, The Bomb Factory, London
2017 Underneath The Floorboards, Hackney Attic, London
2017 Toronto Queer Film Festival, Toronto
2016 Bogota Music Video Festival, Bogota
2016 Feminism Video Activist Biennale, Seoul
2016 ZEBRA Poetry Film Festival, Berlin
2016 WTF, LSFF13, Hackney Attic, London
2015 Feminist and Queer International Film Festival, Bucharest
2015 HERE Film Festival, London
2015 B_L_I_N_K_K_K_K Festival, La Tricotarie, Brussels
2014 Femmes Fantastique, LSFF11, ICA, London
2013 V-Kunst, Frankfurt
2012 O4W Festival, Cardiff
2012 Les Brigades des Images, Les Salaison, Paris and Kiev
2012 Speculation and Spectacle, Brooklyn, New York
2011 Mountain Light Box Cinema, BHVU Gallery, London

Positions

2017 - present Collective Member, the icing room, London
2016 - present Co-Curator, Inland Project, London
2011 - 2015 Co-Director, Greenhorn Short Film Festival, London

Awards

2015 Walthamstow International Film Festival, Shortlisted for Best Experimental Short
2012 Reel Islington Short Film Award, Best Short Film
2011 Signature Awards, Degree Art, Semi-Finalist
2008 David Ballardie Memorial Award

Publications

2017 INLAND#2: Neither, Inland Project
2016 INLAND#1: Erasure, Inland Project
2015 Second Self Zine
2015 VideoFocus, Stigmat Art Press

Residencies

2013 Biennale D'Art Contemporain du Perche, Chateau de Blavou, Normandy. France