MOVERS AND SHAKERS

Somerset is bursting at the seams with creative talent, from potters to painters, sculptors to stitchers and everything in between. September is a fabulous month to discover art in the county with the Somerset Art Weeks swinging into action. Here we showcase some of our local artistic movers and shakers

DAVID SIMON CONTEMPORARY


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In its 19th year, David Simon Contemporary represents a select stable of current artists, alongside iconic names in 20th century modern British art. Throughout August and September the gallery is showing a summer exhibition featuring work by four selected artists. Julia Cooper, presents her latest semi-abstract still lifes and abstract compositions responding to the Cornish coast; Peter Ceredig-Evans, from Cornwall, is a contemporary painter now living on Australia's Gold Coast; internationally collected painter Parastoo Ganjei shows sumptuous compositions of floral still lifes; and taking themes of the Somerset landscape, Byam Shaw School of Art's Frances Watts shows some of her largest paintings. These works carry a deep luminosity and richness of palette.

Accompanying this work is a series of moon jars by The Cornish Potter. These pit-fired ceramics are the artist's most recent exploration of form. There is also a small collection of original works on paper by Henry Moore including signed, limited edition etchings and lithographs from the 1970s. Looking ahead, the gallery has planned an exhibition of modern British art for October. This features original, signed works on paper by artists including Barbara Hepworth, David Hockney, Henry Moore and Bridget Riley.

If you are looking to start or grow your art collection, David is happy to advise and source work through a network of established contacts across the art world.

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FEIN COLLECTIONS [MADE IN NEW YORK CITY]







FEIN Collections [made in new york city] brings a new splash of artistic talent to Bruton this summer. On display at present are works by seven featured international contemporary artists who are celebrated as irresistibly and intriguingly pertinent artistically and historically. FEIN Collections promotes and sells the works of its artists with exuberance and personality - born from a meeting of high-calibre artwork and the passionate knowledge of founder/owner Danielle L Newns Fein.

The artwork is varied in mood, medium and artistic vision. Uniting diverse artists and their unwavering compulsion to create leads to an immersive experience. From photocollages printed on alternative surfaces to magical realist mixed media works and physical, evocatively colourful paintings, one is bound to find an innovative artistic space that moves, peaking artistic and intellectual curiosity.

Viewers can escape into moments of daydreams captured by black and white photographic snapshots, lose themselves in stories articulated by archival pigment prints inspired by Greek mythological tales and studies of the unconscious. Large-scale paintings fuse a dystopic world relaying man's destruction of nature and one another with pleasing aesthetic, positing the question of man's ability for redemption. FEIN looks forward to beholders experiencing an atmosphere where the artists' visions are manifested, and where viewers have a voice.

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The art market never stands still; tastes, fashions - and values - are constantly changing. Keeping ahead of those changes can be a challenge but it's something Chris Yeo from Clevedon Salerooms has relished doing for more than 20 years, the last 10 years as an expert on BBC's *Antiques Roadshow*.

This summer Chris has been visiting places all around the UK, but his main job is as one of the senior valuers at Clevedon Salerooms.

Established in 1860, it's one of the longest established auction houses in the South West. It holds regular auctions at its North Somerset salerooms and offers a full valuation and sales service for your antiques and fine art, including specialist valuations for probate and insurance.

Clevedon Salerooms believes in supporting the local arts scene and is excited to be launching a partnership with St George's Bristol, sponsoring a series of prestigious lunchtime classical music concerts.

Of course, Chris will still be keeping busy at the salerooms with valuations and auctions. The company also works closely with a reliable firm of house clearers, ensuring that all your sales needs will be met. This comprehensive one-stop-shop service makes Clevedon Salerooms a popular choice for anyone seeking a professional, trusted and friendly service from start to finish.

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