



EXHIBITION NEWS - FORWARD PLANNING

Monday 19 February 2018

Artists Richie Culver and Tim Noble & Sue Webster to show at Hull's Humber Street Gallery

Exhibition 1:	Richie Culver: No one knows me like Dawn from the Job Centre
Exhibition 2:	Tim Noble & Sue Webster
Venue:	Humber Street Gallery, 64 Humber Street, Hull HU1 1TU
Date:	Friday 16 March- Sunday 27 May 2016 (closed Mondays)
Times:	10am-6pm
Entry:	FREE
Information:	www.humberstreetgallery.co.uk

Humber Street Gallery presents two exhibitions by British artists, whose work offers a commentary on contemporary life.

Richie Culver: No one knows me like Dawn from the Job Centre

No one knows me like Dawn from the Job Centre is Richie Culver's first solo show in Hull, where he grew up.

Spread across two floors of the gallery, *No one knows me like Dawn from the Job Centre* features mainly paintings. An honest, sometimes humorous account of time spent on Job Seekers Allowance underpins this body of new work. It invites the viewer to look at the fleeting yet significant relationships we encounter as we strive for success in the face of adversity. Richie's work draws on many personal references, from his working-class roots, to metropolitan living, as well as his own experience of the darker side of urban life.

With a fascinating creative path that has taken him all over the world, as a model, a photographer and as a self-taught artist working in paint and mixed media (including collaborating with the likes of Topman) Richie's work is highly sought after.

Richie's work, especially his paintings, has become progressively abstract to bring together different elements of his works as a multi-disciplinary artist and he is collected by Blain|Southern, Adele and Tate. Last year, Hull 2017 commissioned Richie to create *Costa Del Wiv*, a series of shop fronts in Hull's Whitefriargate, celebrating his roots and the coastal town of Withernsea.

Tim Noble & Sue Webster

Internationally acclaimed artists Tim Noble and Sue Webster present three works from their prolific back catalogue. With a punk and pop culture aesthetic, the artists combine form and anti-form to bring about the unexpected, creating new modes of portraiture and playing with the idea of abstract and how humans define them with meaning. The three light installations in their Humber Street Gallery show are sometimes referred to as anti-monuments; they are contradictory and reference our contemporary consumer culture.

The London based duo have been producing work together since the late 1980s and exhibited across the world, from Rockefeller Plaza, Manhattan, to the British Museum and Habitat to the Freud Museum. They are in international collections, including Saatchi, Guggenheim New York and Art Gallery of South Australia, Adelaide, as well as Blain | Southern. High profile commissions include the cover for Nick Cave's album *Dig*, *Lazarus*, *Dig*!!! and neon artwork for Mark Hix's restaurants in London.

Katy Fuller, Creative Director at Culture Company, which, for Hull UK City of Culture 2017, set up Humber Street Gallery, says: "Humber Street Gallery continues to bring fine work by internationally renowned artists and we are delighted to have Richie Culver returning to the city that he grew up in for his latest show. We are pleased that Tim Noble & Sue Noble have also agreed to show three works in the ground floor gallery. Together, these exhibitions offer a wry, but affectionate look at the world we live in today and we hope they will prove as popular as other shows at the gallery."

- A selection of Richie Culver artworks can be found at this link.
- For more information, including press view details and interview opportunities, please contact Ben McKnight 07718 100 793 / <u>ben.mcknight@hull2017.co.uk</u>

NOTES TO EDITORS

Humber Street Gallery

Humber Street Gallery opened in February 2017 as a new contemporary art space in the heart of the city's Fruit Market cultural quarter. Housed in a former fruit warehouse, the gallery showcases the best in contemporary visual arts from the shocking to the sublime, including painting, photography, installations and performance. Humber Street Gallery seeks to generate debate, push boundaries, encourage new ways of thinking and inspire with a varied programme to appeal to those both familiar and not so familiar with the arts. It also offers a popular café and bar on the ground floor, as well as a rooftop bar.

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Hull UK City of Culture 2017

Hull UK City of Culture 2017 has during the last year overseen more than 2,000 events, at more than 250 venues and public spaces across the city, from galleries, museums and theatres, to shopping centres and schools, to parks and squares.

Culture Company, which was set up to deliver 365 days of transformative culture, is an independent organisation with charitable status. To deliver the programme, it raised £32 million, with over 70 partners supporting the project, including public bodies, trusts and foundations and local and national businesses. Key contributions are coming from: Host City - Hull City Council; Principal Partners - Arts Council England, BBC, Big Lottery Fund, East Riding of Yorkshire Council, Heritage Lottery Fund, KCOM, KWL, Spirit of 2012, Yorkshire Water and the University of Hull; Major Partners -Associated British Ports, Arco, BP, the British Council, British Film Institute, Green Port Hull, Hull Clinical Commissioning Group, MKM Building Supplies, P&O Ferries, Paul Hamlyn Foundation, Sewell Group, Siemens, Smith & Nephew and Wykeland Group. The National Lottery has contributed more than £10m of this funding, making it the largest single funding body for Hull 2017.

Culture Company is to carry on as a permanent national arts company based in Hull. With a core purpose to continue commissioning world-class arts programming aimed at residents and visitors, it will work strategically with partners inside the city and across the UK, to cement Hull's reputation as a centre for culture and creativity. Culture Company will also develop its role as an independent organisation specialising in culture and cities, which in addition to commissioning work, will offer unrivalled expertise, consultancy and advocacy, across the UK and internationally.

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