

CV - Ruth Piper Visual Artist & Curator

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Qualifications & Awards

MA Painting - Wimbledon School of Art,
London
BA Fashion & Textiles - Kingston
Polytechnic, Surrey
Diploma - Integrated PR & Marketing,
London School of Public Relations

Practice summary

Primarily I am a painter working with water based mediums: acrylic paint, watercolour and gouache, layering strong translucent colours, from dark to light: incorporating both figurative and abstract elements. I am profoundly influenced by the terrain and atmosphere of dark literature and films with a special fascination for westerns and psychological thrillers. My current work is inspired by the desire for the tranquillity and simplicity of a different world: located in the transitional mythological landscape of 'pre-history', between knowing and the unconscious, where dreams and reality merge.

Exhibitions

2016

BV Open Studios, Bristol

Solo shows

'Land of Plenty', Lane House Arts, Bath. June 18 – August 30.

Group shows

Millfield Summer Show, Atkinson Gallery

Evolver cover competition exhibition, Black Swan Arts, Frome, Somerset

Shifting Divides, Drawing & Print, Centrespace, Bristol

Royal West of England Academy, 164 Autumn Exhibition

Black Swan Arts Open 2016, Frome, Somerset

2015

Zeitgeist members show, Deptford

BV Open Studios, Bristol

2014

Solo Show

New paintings & collage, Phoenix Gallery Café, Exeter

Group shows

'Shooting from the hip' The Searchers, Centrespace, Bristol

BV Open Studios, Bristol

Sidcot Gallery, Somerset, 10 Artists from BV Studios, Bristol

2013

Solo show

'Life in the plan view' The Searchers contemporary, Bristol

Group show

'Tumbleweed' The Searchers, Bristol

2012

APT, Creekside Open, selected by Paul Noble

Millfield Open, Atkinson Gallery, Millfield School, Street, Somerset

Exeter contemporary Open, Phoenix Gallery, Exeter

Installation of 5 paintings, DAC Beachcroft Solicitors Artspace, Bristol

2011

'Mini abstractions' Other landscapes, Royal United Hospital, Bath.

'New constructivists' annual painting show. Institute of Physics, Portland Place, London

2010

'On the Cusp' 3 women artists, FORM + CONTENT Gallery, 210 N 2nd Street, Minneapolis. USA

- 2009** RWA Autumn Exhibition
- 2008** 'Internal Cosmology'. Centrespace, Bristol.
 'Colour & Landscape' Bower Ashton Gallery, University of the West of England
 'First Wave' Bute Space, Cardiff Bay, Wales.
 RWA Autumn Exhibition
- 2007** 'New Constructivists' Regents College, London
- 2006** 'New Constructivists' The Keyworth Centre, South London University
 'Fusion Arts', painting show, The Baxter Gallery, Kingston Grammar School,
 Kingston upon Thames, Surrey
- 2005** View Gallery, Summer Show, Thames Ditton, Surrey
 View Gallery, Group show Thames Ditton, Surrey.
 'Cross Section' New constructivists, The Royal College of Pathologists,
 Carlton House Terrace, London
Solo show
 Spinach Design Consultancy, Islington, London. Installation of paintings.
 Artist's talk
- 2004** **Solo show**
 'Signs of Life & Love', Stables Gallery, Gladstone Park, London.
Group shows
 'Inner Circle' New Constructivists, The Knapp Gallery, Regents College,
 London.
 OXO Tower Gallery, London. Selected Artists from Wimbledon Art Studios,
 sponsored by Aston Martin.
- 2002-2003** 'Diverse' MA show The Hanbury Gallery, Truman Brewery, Brick Lane,
 London.
 MA graduate show Wimbledon School of Art MA show ING Bank, City of
 London.
 'City Limits' Three Painters, Riverside Studios, Hammersmith, London.
- Other creative activities**
- 2014- present** Gallery Co-ordinator, Centrespace Studios & Gallery, Bristol
- 2012-2013** Owner & curator of The Searchers contemporary, Bristol. A one year pop-up
 gallery project providing exhibition opportunities for fine artists.
<http://www.theseacherscontemporary.com>
- 2006-2013** Creative Director, J & R Piper Limited. Consultant engineering, design & art
- 2010** Worked with Penny Jones on the official launch of Motorcade FlashParade,
 the gallery at BV Studios, Bedminster, Bristol.
 Hosted an open painting prize competition, with selectors, Curator Peter
 Bonnell, Artists Matt Burrows & Maggie Royal
 Co-ordinated the inaugural Open Studio event, at BV Studios, Philip Street,
 Bedminster, Bristol
- Media**
- 2002** Community radio. Riverside Studios. Hammersmith, London. Producer &
 presenter of 'Art Talk', a live visual arts radio show for 'Riverside FM'
- Residency**
- 2010** The B-side Festival, Portland, Dorset
- Commissions**
- 2009** A decorative panel for the entrance of a refurbished School House in Barton
 Hill, providing studio space for artists & designers.
 Commissioned by Bristol East Side Traders
- Projects**
- 2007** Experimental print project. Working with Dr. Carinna Parraman, senior research
 fellow at the University of the West of England. Testing new digital print
 software involving personalised colour profiling for fine artists