

FUTUREPROOF: A TPG DEVELOP EXHIBITION

21 JUN – 24 JUN 2019

Presented at The Truman Brewery, as part of *Free Range*, an annual showcase of UK graduates, **Futureproof** is an alternative exhibition of original works conceived and curated by participants of the TPG Develop programme, now in its third year.

Established in 2017, TPG Develop offers a range of subsidised activities, talks and workshops to help young people aged 14-24yrs learn more about opportunities in the creative industries and provide them with the skills required. Government cuts to the creative sector, as well as rising tuition fees, means young artists are increasingly having to seek out new routes into work and find alternative spaces to produce and develop ideas.

This exhibition marks the first showcase of work from a group of young people who have taken part in the TPG Develop programme and celebrates the coming together of a new generation of visual artists who are self-directing the development of their creative practice. In an age of Social Media and ever-expanding DIY culture, ideas about what it means to 'have made it' as a successful photographer/artist in the industry are changing and evolving.

Showcasing a broad range of multidisciplinary practices, **Futureproof** presents varied photographic approaches, from experimental photography to a more documentary approach. The exhibition harnesses interactive elements as a way of inviting discussion on a broad range of subject matters to challenge and encourage debate. The themes explored encompass home and belonging, gender and body politics, the female gaze, urban and natural environments, cultural heritage and LGBTQ+ issues. There will also be a variety of workshops and panels throughout the exhibition offering insider tips and advice on how to generate and protect your ideas.

Every element of **Futureproof** has been produced and managed by the participants, from conception and creation to marketing and display, foregrounding the importance of self-organisation and the role that collaborative working practices play in fostering fresh and original perspectives. Furthermore, it highlights the value of harnessing different voices, backgrounds and approaches and demonstrates the varied and wide-ranging routes one can now take into the creative industry.

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Panel Discussion: Protecting Your Ideas

Sat 22 Jun, 14.00 - 15.30

Safeguard your creative ideas and know your rights in the industry with a panel discussion with young artists and industry experts.

For further details of all events, during the exhibition run please visit <https://thephotographersgallery.org.uk/whats-on/exhibition/futureproof>

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Unit 4, Dray Walk, The Truman Brewery – URL/Visitor Info

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Notes for Editors:

Artist biographies available on request

About Develop

Develop: Preparing for a Career in Photography is a programme aimed at young people aged 14–24 years interested in learning more about photography related career opportunities. Young people with all levels of knowledge and experience are welcome, and the programme offers practical photography skills as well as other career essentials required to navigate the employment options available in the creative industries. There are a high number of bursary places for young people at an economic, social or educational disadvantage and additional low-cost places open to any young person who doesn't qualify for a bursary.

About Free Range

Free Range is the UK's largest graduate art, design and fashion show, hosted over five weeks at The Old Truman Brewery and showing the work of around 3,000 students from 50 leading universities. Since its inception in 2001, Free Range has been showcasing art, fashion, design, graphics, illustrations, textiles and photography from creative graduates from all over London and the UK. The annual event provides college students with the opportunity to showcase their work on an international level. All the exhibitions and displays are free, but certain events are by invite only.

About The Old Truman Brewery

The Old Truman Brewery in East London is home to a hive of creative businesses as well as independent shops, galleries, markets, bars and restaurants. For over twenty years the Old Truman Brewery has been regenerating its ten acres of vacant and derelict buildings into office, retail, leisure and event spaces.

About The Photographers' Gallery

The Photographers' Gallery opened in 1971 in Great Newport Street, London, as the UK's first independent gallery devoted to photography. It was the first public gallery in the UK to exhibit many key names in international photography, including Juergen Teller, Robert Capa, Sebastiano Salgado and Andreas Gursky. The Gallery has also been instrumental in establishing contemporary British photographers, including Martin Parr and Corinne Day. In 2009, the Gallery moved to 16 – 18 Ramillies Street in Soho, the first stage in its plan to create a 21st century home for photography. Following an eighteen months long redevelopment project, the Gallery reopened to the public in 2012. The success of The Photographers' Gallery over the past four decades has helped to establish photography as a recognised art form, introducing new audiences to photography and championing its place at the heart of visual culture. www.thephotographersgallery.org.uk

Visitor Information

Opening times: Mon – Sat, 10:00 - 18:00; Thu, 10:00 - 20:00; Sun, 11:00 - 18:00 Admission: free until noon (Mon - Sun) and then £5 / £2.5 concessions

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Image 1
Aisha Seriki
A Formal Portrait
2019



Image 2
Davinia Duffus
Nostalgia
From the series *Butlins*, 2017



Image 3
Dea Urovi
Self 5
From the series *Polaroid Portraits*, 2019



Image 4
Eric Aydin Barberini
Too Many Tony's
From the series *In Real Life*, 2019



Image 5
Filip Skiba
Assisted Self-portrait, "I don't care if you approve or not"
From the series *Know Him, Know Her, Know Them*, 2019



Image 6
Foyez Uddin
From the series *Cultural Environment*, 2019



Image 7
George Robson
Portrait of Luke Ashley
2019

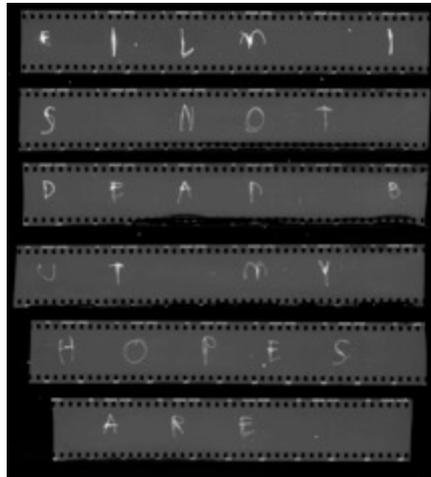


Image 8
Joanna 'Asha' Sitarz
From the series *The Real Photograph*, 2019



Image 9
Kezia Blain
From the series *Into The Woods*, 2018



Image 10
Lauryn Kirabo
Voyage
From the series *Guarded*, 2019

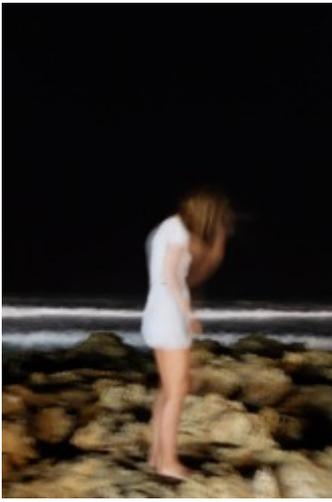


Image 11
Maksymilian Socha
Blurred. 01
From the series *Blurry Interpretations*, 2019



Image 12
Maria Sousa
A Crowd Without Touching
From the series *Ordinary People*, 2018



Image 13
Marjian Tsatsaros Tyagi
no 7
From the series *Self*, 2019



Image 14
Nathan Ford
Beyond Reach
From the series *BAME*, 2018

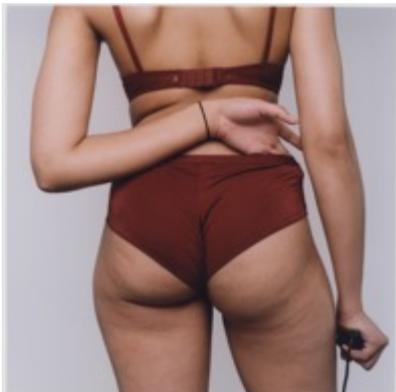


Image 15
Poppy Thorpe
Untitled
From the project *Bare Cheeky*, 2019



Image 16
Raden Anandra Natalegawa
Men (in front of Prayer Room)
From the series *Family Portraits*, 2019



Image 17
Saskia Drake
The Secret Life of a Ticket Machine
From the series *London Underground Assistant*, 2017



Image 18
Siobhan Williams
From the series *The Force of a Man and a Brother*, 2017



Image 19
Wild Fox
What You Wear Is Who You Are
From the series *What You Wear Is Who You Are*, 2019

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