

Sculpture Symposium

Friday 24 May 11am – 4pm

a day of talks and discussion around sculpture and public collections

2019 is the 60th anniversary of Jacob Epstein (1880-1959) and we are celebrating Sculpture throughout our Collections programme. This Symposium brings together artists, academics, museums professionals and members of the public to discuss aspects of sculpture in public collections and to look in more detail at the sculpture exhibitions currently on display.

Concurrent Exhibitions

Daniel Silver – Floor 3, with interventions on Floors 1&2, until 2 June

Kathleen Ryan - Floors 1&4, until 22 September 2019

Jacob Epstein, *Jacob and the Angel* - Foyer, until 29 September 2019

Sculpture in Focus– Floors 1&2, until December 2019

Programme

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| 10.30am | Coffee and refreshments |
| 11am | Welcome and Introduction Julie Brown, Collections Curator, The New Art Gallery Walsall |
| Session 1 | EPSTEIN, ARTISTS AND INFLUENCES |
| Daniel Silver | in discussion with Michael Newman |
| Jon Wood | Jacob Epstein's early career, <i>Rock Drill</i> and <i>Beyond</i> (c. 1911-1915) |
| Hermione Wiltshire | background to <i>Fantasy</i> , inspired by Epstein's <i>Adam</i> |
| Andrew Lacon | Artist Residency, responding to Epstein and Geoffrey Ireland |
| Discussion | |
| 1.30-2pm | Break (Lunch provided) |

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| Session 2 | SCULPTURE IN THE CONTEXT OF PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS |
| Daniel Silver | in conversation with Ian Jenkins (British Museum) discussing the context of his work within the legacy of Ancient Sculpture and the collections of the British Museum |
| Kathleen Ryan | Exhibition launch – Tour and in conversation with Julie Brown |
| Natalie Rudd | Introduction to the Arts Council Collection's new exhibition and lending project, Women Working in Sculpture |
| Katey Goodwin | Art UK - digitising the nation's sculpture |
| Discussion | |
| 4pm | optional 20 minute break out sessions (group divides) Julie Brown - Tour of Sculpture in Focus exhibition (Collection Galleries, Floors 1&2) Andrew Lacon – Visit to Artist Studio, Floor 1 Daniel Silver – Tour of Exhibition, Floor 3 |
| 5pm | Close |