

ARTIST CV

Michelle Rumney – Artist & Creative Producer

Biography

Born in Christchurch, Hampshire 1967. Currently based in Bournemouth, Dorset
Lent Artist – Southwark Cathedral 2020, Becket 2020
Artist-in-Residence – St Thomas Way & Hereford Cathedral, Welsh-English
Borderlands 2018-20

Education

2001 – 02

MA in European Fine Art, Winchester School of Art, UK – Based at studios in
Barcelona, Spain

1992 – 96

BA (Hons) in Fine Art (1st Class Honours), University of Plymouth, UK
– International Exchange to University of Eastern New Mexico, Portales, USA

1990 – 92

Foundation in Visual Arts, Chelsea School of Art, London, UK

Solo Exhibitions

2021

The Ragged Map, The Royal Arcade, Boscombe, **AndTowns**, Towns and the Cultural
Economies of Recovery, UK

2020

Pilgrimage: Finding each other again in the Paradise of free souls: Lent Art
Installation: Southwark Cathedral, London, Part of Becket 2020, UK

"Re-Making Maps of the Mind: Medieval & Modern Journeys", St Thomas Way:
St. Illtud's, Llantwit Major, Glamorgan Heritage Coast, Wales

2019

"The Map of Mundi", Lighthouse: Poole's Centre for the Arts, Dorset, UK

"Re-Making Maps of the Mind: Medieval & Modern Journeys", St Thomas Way:
Touring Exhibition:

- **St. Illtud's**, Llantwit Major, Glamorgan Heritage Coast, Wales
- **Ewenny Priory**, Glamorgan Heritage Coast, Wales
- **Newport Cathedral**, Wales

2018

"Re-Making Maps of the Mind: Medieval & Modern Journeys", St Thomas Way:
Swansea – Hereford: Launch Exhibition – [Hereford Cathedral](#), England, UK

"Re-Making Maps of the Mind: Medieval & Modern Journeys", St Thomas Way:
Touring Exhibition:

- [St Mary's Priory](#), Abergavenny, Wales
- [The Holy Trinity Chapel](#), St Mary's Collegiate and Parish Church, Swansea, Wales
- [St. Illtud's](#), Llantwit Major, Glamorgan Heritage Coast, Wales

2017

["Take Me to the River"](#), Taunton Deane Borough Council, TDBC (artist-in-residence),
Arts Taunton: Somerset, UK

2015

["Are We There Yet? Mapping the Labyrinth"](#), Lighthouse: Poole's Centre for the Arts,
Dorset, UK

2002

["Autoadhesiva"](#), Panorama Gallery: Barcelona, Spain

1998

["Oraciones"](#), Exeter Picture House: Devon, UK

Group Exhibitions & Events

2020

["Becket 2020"](#), London, UK

["Medieval & Modern Journeys: The Two Thomases"](#): Hereford Cathedral, UK

2019

[Human Worlds Festival](#), Cultural Quarter, Southampton, Hampshire, UK

[Holding on to Hope Festival](#), St. Illtud's, Llantwit Major, Glamorgan Heritage Coast,
Wales

2018

Swansea International Festival, Swansea, Wales, UK

["The Library of Re-Claimed Books"](#), Wayzgoose Book Fair with Noriko Suzuki-Bosco,
Winchester School of Art Library, Southampton, UK

["St Thomas Way: Swansea – Hereford"](#) launch events, Hereford Cathedral, UK

2017

"Plastic Pathways – Plastic Beach", collaborative labyrinth, fringe event – part of Arts by the Sea Festival, Bournemouth: Dorset, UK

"Lyngford Park Labyrinth" co-created with artist Christopher Jelley, as part of 'Pride in Priorswood' community festival, Taunton: Somerset, UK

"Longrun Meadow Labyrinth" co-created with artist Christopher Jelley, part of 'The Great Get Together' inspired by Jo Cox MP, Taunton: Somerset, UK

"The Art of Wellbeing", Russell-Cotes Art Gallery & Museum, Bournemouth: Dorset, UK

2016

"Beyond the Page", Bridport Prize Exhibition, Bridport Arts Centre: Dorset, UK

"Interrogating Landscapes, the Figure & Materials", part of Dorset Art Weeks, Durlston Castle: Dorset, UK

"South Central" Launch, Sticks Gallery: Fareham, Hampshire, UK

2013

"Alles Lügen", Kunstfabrik Schalchen: Salzburg, Austria

2010

Nerja Art Festival, Nerja: Malaga, Spain

2002

MA Degree Show: Winchester School of Art, University of Southampton

Tallers Oberts, Ciutat Vella: Barcelona

"TOP 02", Tallers Oberts, Poble Nou: Barcelona

"Shortlist", Can Felipa Centre: Barcelona

"4 x 4", Panorama Gallery: Barcelona

"Espai Mutant", Can Felipa Centre: Barcelona

2001

MA Group Show, Panorama Gallery: Barcelona, Spain

Open Studios, Spike Island Artspace: Bristol, UK

2000

Group Show, Spike Island Artspace: Bristol, UK

1999

Open Studios, Spike Island Artspace: Bristol, UK

Art Haven Group Show, The Look Gallery: Exeter, Devon, UK

UK Selected Group Show, Art for Offices: London, UK

1998

"The Spanish Connection", Thelma Hulbert Gallery: Devon, UK

Honiton Arts Festival, Honiton, Devon, UK

Gidleigh Open House, Open Studios: Dartmoor, Devon, UK

1997

"9-X", The Tannery Gallery: London, UK

Group Show, John Moore's Competition, London, UK

1996

BA Degree Show: Exeter School of Art, University of Plymouth

"Aspires", Sherwell Gallery: Plymouth, Devon, UK

1995

Open Studios, Centro Historico: Mexico D.F., Mexico

1994

"Sacred Realities", ENMU: New Mexico, USA

Residencies

2018

"Re-Making Maps of the Mind: Medieval & Modern Journeys", exploring Hereford's Mappa Mundi @ Hereford Cathedral, Public Engagement with Research in Universities (PERu), University of Southampton, UK

2017

"Take Me to the River", a walking portrait of Taunton's green spaces & waterways, part of the 'Garden Town' project: TDBC – Taunton Deane Borough Council, Arts Taunton: Somerset

Awards

2019 Arts Council England Grants for the Arts
2018 PERu: Public Engagement with Research in Universities, University of Southampton, UK
2015 Arts Council England Grants for the Arts
2001 AHRB: Arts & Humanities Research Board Award
1997 Highly Commended: John Moore's Prize, UK
1995 Outstanding 2D Student Award: Eastern New Mexico University, USA

Lectures & Talks

2026
"Immersive Arts" [Creative Intersections Day](#), chair of artist panel, Real Ideas 360° Immersive Dome, Market Hall, Devonport Cultural Quarter

Imagination Unleashed 2026, part of creative panel, Screen Cornwall, Truro, Cornwall, UK

2025
"Immersive Arts", Imagination Unleashed 2025, Truro, Cornwall, UK

["Immersive Arts: Round One Learnings"](#), Friday Lunchtime talk with Ruth McCullough, Pervasive Media Studio, Watershed, Bristol, UK

2021
[Arts Award Discover](#), Spotlight artist/case study for local schools via Lighthouse Poole's Centre for the Arts, Dorset

2020
["Every step you take: Pilgrimage & Measuring"](#), Southwark Cathedral, London

2017
"Sir Anthony Caro's Sea Music: What's the Big Idea?", series of informal public talks marking the restoration of Caro's only public artwork: [Sea Music Project](#), Culture & Community, Borough of Poole, UK

"From the Light to the Sea..." Artwalk & gallery tour of exhibitions by Sheila Girling & Anthony Caro, Sea Music Project, Culture & Community, Borough of Poole, UK

2012
"Meeting Agnes Martin", Lecture-presentation, [Agnes Martin Centennial program: Harwood Museum of Art](#), Taos, New Mexico, USA

"Creativity & Coaching", Part of discussion panel at one-day conference, [Royal Society of Arts](#), London

2011

"Meeting Agnes Martin", Multimedia presentation with art historian Becky Hunter, 'Performing Art History' Conference: [Courtauld Institute](#), London, UK

Workshops

2026

"Immersive Arts & the Ideation Game", presentation and workshop, Devonport Cultural Quarter & Arts Partnership Surrey, Immersive Arts UK

2025

"Inspiration Days" panel, presentation and workshop, FACT Liverpool, The Depot Cambridge; Immersive Arts UK

2024

"Inspiration Days" presentation and workshop, Watershed Bristol, Wales
Millennium Centre Cardiff, Cryptic @ Sonica Glasgow and Yorkshire Artspace, Sheffield; Immersive Arts UK

2023

BFI XR Connect, workshops for cinema staff, StoryFutures and British Film Institute, Southbank, London, UK

2022

"Big Me, Little Me", [StoryTrails](#) workshops in 3D scanning and using immersive technologies for staff and families, StoryFutures, UK

2021

"[Future Map](#)" workshop for children, [AndTowns](#), Towns and the Cultural Economies of Recovery, UK

"Boscombe in 2050": online workshop for [AndTowns](#), Towns and the Cultural Economies of Recovery, UK

2020

"[ArtTalking – The Moroccan](#)": online workshop for Creativity Quest, Fez

"[How to Make a Spiral Labyrinth](#)": online workshop, part of World Labyrinth Day

"The Art of Labyrinths": online workshop part of a series of free online workshops for Lighthouse, Poole's Centre for the Arts

2019

"[Mapping, Measuring & iPhoneography](#)" : series of workshops for local schools, St.

Illtud's, Llantwit Major, Glamorgan Heritage Coast, Wales

"The Tango of Colour": series of art colour workshops exploring principle colours in multiple mediums – Christchurch, Dorset, UK

"Medieval & Modern Journeys" : series of workshops exploring ideas about pilgrimage, Lighthouse Poole

"Medieval & Modern Landscapes" : series of workshops on how landscapes have changed, Lighthouse Poole

"Medieval & Modern Stories" : series of workshops on storytelling through time, Lighthouse Poole

"Medieval & Modern Mapping": series of workshops on mapping, Lighthouse Poole

"Medieval & Modern Measuring" : series of workshops on measuring through time and space, Lighthouse Poole, Dorset, UK

2018

"Mapping the Medieval: Measuring the City" : exploratory workshop, Swansea Museum-St Marys, Swansea International Festival, Swansea, St Thomas Way, UK

"Creative Medieval Mapping: Mappa Mundi & Measuring to the Saint" : on-site workshop for adults, Hereford Cathedral, St Thomas Way, UK

"Creative Mapping: In & Around the Cathedral" : on-site exploratory workshop for families, Hereford Cathedral, St Thomas Way, UK

2017

"The Tango of Creativity": collaboration with Starstone.org, painting, photography & poetry workshops, Assisi, Italy

"Refracted": exploratory workshops for schools, Russell Cotes Art Gallery & Museum, Bournemouth, UK

"Running the Labyrinth": community events & drawing workshops, Taunton, Somerset, UK

"Take Me to the River" : walking city-wide photography-mapping workshops, Taunton, Somerset, UK

"Adventures in Colour": exploratory workshops with the collections, Russell-Cotes Art Gallery & Museum, Bournemouth, UK

"Art & Wellbeing" : workshops for participants with mental health issues,
Russell-Cotes Art Gallery & Museum, UK

Arts4Dementia : workshops with curators, Dorset County Museum, Dorchester, UK

2016

"Beyond the Page" : bookmaking gallery workshop for schools, Bridport Arts
Centre, UK

"Artists Adventures in Menorca – v2": 7-day workshop-retreat, Menorca, Spain

"Big Painting" : weekend workshop – collaboration with Starstone.org, Assisi, Italy

"Drawing the Line" : gallery workshop for schools, Poole Museum, UK

"Artists Adventures in Menorca – v1" : 7-day workshop-retreat, Menorca, Spain

2015

"Mapping the Labyrinth": series of public engagement workshops, Lighthouse
Poole, Dorset, UK

"Taking the line for a Walk": drawing with maps for schools, Lighthouse Poole, UK

"Artists Adventures": 7-week series of workshops, Highcliffe, Dorset, UK

"Artists Adventures": 7-week series of workshops, Ringwood, Hampshire, UK

Permanent Collections

St.Iltuds Church, Llantwit Major, Glamorgan Heritage Coast, Wales

FrameStore, London

Soho 601, London