

# KAREN DENSHAM

b. 1960, Durham, UK. Lives and works in Ipswich, UK

## EDUCATION

Ceramics & Glass (MA), Royal College of Art, London, UK

The Polytechnic, Wolverhampton, UK

Harlow Technical College, Harlow, UK

## SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2020 *Waiting for Something Better to Come Along*, Richard Saltoun Gallery, London, UK

2015 *Form and Dysfunction*, The Minorities Gallery, Colchester, UK

## SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2020 Leeds Summer Open (online)

2018 *Uncommon Or Garden*, Jugg Art Foundation Sculpture Park & Pavilion, Ipswich, UK  
*3-5 Silent Street*, Annual Ipswich Biennial, Ipswich, UK  
*Mixed Messages*, Arbor House, Ipswich, UK

2017 *The Dramatic Vessel*, Museum of Contemporary Ceramic Art, Shigaraki, Japan

2016 *Vessels with Pestles and Chalicees from Palaces*, The Minorities Gallery, Colchester, UK  
*Sad but true*, Jerwood Dance House, Ipswich, UK

2014 *One Minute Volume 8*, Furtherfield Gallery, London, UK  
*British Ceramic From Bernard Leach To The New Generation*, Museum Of Contemporary Ceramic Art, Shigaraki, Japan

2013 *44<sup>th</sup> Eastern Open*, King's Lynn Arts Centre, King's Lynn, UK  
*The Inaugural Artlacuna Film Festival*, Artlacuna Space, London, UK  
*The Contemporary Landscape Photography Open*, Worcester City Gallery & Museum, Worcester, UK  
*Modern Time – Modern Housekeeping*, Eye Film Institute, Amsterdam, The Netherlands

2012 *Air Space*, Waterfront Gallery, Ipswich, UK  
*Liberated Words*, Bath Fringe Festival, Bath, UK

2011 *Suffolk Showcase*, Smiths Row Gallery, Bury St Edmunds, UK

2006 *Hearing Voices, Seeing Things*, Serpentine Galleries, London, UK  
*Video Showcase*, Key Arts, Ipswich, UK  
*Suffolk Showcase*, Smiths Row Gallery, Bury St Edmunds, UK

2005 *The Birthday Show*, Jugg Art Foundation, London, UK

1999 *The Plate Show*, Collins Gallery at Strathclyde University, Glasgow, UK  
*Times of Our Lives: Beginnings*, Whitworth Art Gallery, Manchester, UK

- 1998 *European Prize for Contemporary Art and Design-led Crafts*, Palais Harrach, Vienna, Austria  
*Keskemet Symposium Show*, University Of Budapest, Budapest, Hungary
- 1996 *Artists in Essex*, Epping Forest District Museum, Waltham Abbey, UK  
*Hot off the Press*, Crafts Council Gallery, London, UK
- 1995 *Painting*, Atlantis Gallery, London, UK
- 1994 *Perfect Circles*, Plantation House, London, UK
- 1992 *Artists in Essex*, Epping Forest District Museum, Waltham Abbey, UK
- 1991 *Colours of the Earth*, British Council, India and Malaysia (Touring Exhibition)  
*Ceramic Contemporaries*, Victoria and Albert Museum, London, UK
- 1990 *Craft Showcase*, ICA | Institute of Contemporary Arts, London, UK
- 1987 *Northern Young Contemporaries*, Whitworth Art Gallery, Manchester, UK
- 1983 *Northern Young Contemporaries*, Whitworth Art Gallery, Manchester, UK

## **AWARDS**

- 2013 Experimental Media Award Eastern Open, Kings Lynn, UK
- 2012 Prize Winner. Air Space, Waterfront Gallery, Ipswich, UK
- 2011 Suffolk Showcase Award, Smiths Row Gallery, Bury St Edmunds, UK
- 2007 Best Newcomer Award, Eastern Open, Kings Lynn, UK
- 1998 European Prize for Contemporary Art and Design-led Crafts, Palais Harrach, Vienna, Austria
- 1995 London Arts Board Award, London, UK
- 1993 Travel Award. British Council.
- 1990 Prize Winner, Artists In Essex, UK
- 1984 Prize Winner, Artists In Essex, UK
- 1989 The Fletcher Challenge Ceramics Award, New Zealand