

SOMERSET HOUSE LAUNCHES COLLECTION OF LIMITED EDITION PRINTS FROM SOMERSET HOUSE STUDIOS, ITS DYNAMIC COMMUNITY OF ARTISTS, MAKERS AND THINKERS, WITH PROCEEDS SUPPORTING INDEPENDENT ARTISTS AND YOUNG CREATIVES

Available to purchase via www.somersethouseshop.com

For beautiful buys for the home this Christmas which make a positive difference, Somerset House launches **Studios Editions, an exciting new collection of limited edition prints** from Somerset House Studios' pioneering resident community of artists, makers, and thinkers. All proceeds after production will go directly to support these independent artists, as well as the next generation of early career creatives, providing bursaries and financial relief to artists who couldn't otherwise afford to be in residence, particularly throughout the pandemic.

Studios Editions features new and rare prints from over 20 participating resident artists including **Gareth Pugh, Akinola Davies Jr, Charles Jeffrey, Lawrence Lek, Laura Grace Ford, Alexandra Daisy Ginsberg, Florence Peake and more.** Each high-quality archival giclée A2 print is limited to a run of 100 and comes hand-numbered with a signed letter of authenticity from the artist. For a special gift, or something a little different to decorate the home, *Studios Editions* offers an affordable opportunity to purchase exclusive works from some of today's most exciting established and emerging artists and designers.

Priced at £125, all proceeds from the sales of *Studios Editions* after production will be split equally between the artists and Somerset House's Young Talent Fund, an initiative created to support artist bursaries and Somerset House's creative careers programme, which offers careers advice and paid work placements for young people starting out in the creative industries. As live cultural events have been cancelled and postponed throughout the year, many artists have seen their income disappear overnight, whilst young people wanting to get into the creative sector face fresh barriers and anxiety as youth unemployment rises. Somerset House is an independent charity which also does not receive regular public funding for these projects, so as well as being unique and original, the prints are one of this Christmas' most supportive gifts.

The collection is available through the **Somerset House Online Shop** now: www.somersethouseshop.com

STUDIOS EDITIONS:

A2 Giclée prints, £125 each



Nsukka Riders, 2017, Akinola Davies Jr



Fuck Your Monuments, 2020, by Gareth Pugh



Factual Actual 1, 2020, by Florence Peake

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A Place For Your Accumulating Eye (and mine), 2017, by Rhea Storr



Untitled (East Ham), 2020, by Laura Grace Ford



'URGH I LOVE THIS SONG!', 2020, by Charles Jeffrey



A Bunch of Martian Flowers, from The Wilding of Mars, 2019, by Alexandra Daisy Ginsberg



Unreal Estate (The Royal Academy is Yours) [Courtyard], 2015, by Lawrence Lek



DUMB AI OR ARTIFCIAL STUPIDITY, 2020, by Vivienne Griffin



GET<GIVE 'Give', 2018, by Rowdy SS

FULL LIST OF PARTICIPATING ARTISTS:

Akinola Davies Jr | Alexandra Daisy Ginsberg | Charles Jeffrey | Col Self | Eloise Hawser | Evi Kalogiropoulou | Florence Peake | Gareth Pugh | Hyphen-Labs | Laura Grace Ford | Lawrence Lek | Libby Heaney | Maeve Brennan | Marija Bozinovska Jones | Philomene Pirecki | Project O | Rhea Storr | Rowdy SS | Sam Williams | Simon Terrill | Sonya Dyer | Vivienne Griffin

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NOTES TO EDITORS

For more information on all works available as part of *Studios Editions* visit: https://www.somersethouse.org.uk/studios-editions

- Studios Editions prints are available now online via somersethouseshop.com
- Pre-sales from 18 November 2020, shipping from 3 December 2020
- Each print retails for £125 (unframed)
- A2 Giclée prints, hand-numbered archival reproduction on 255gsm Somerset Velvet pure cotton rag
- Orders open for a limited time only until 31 March 2021

ABOUT SOMERSET HOUSE STUDIOS

Somerset House Studios is an experimental workspace in the centre of London connecting artists, makers and thinkers with audiences. The Studios offer space and support to artists pushing bold ideas, engaging with urgent issues and pioneering new technologies, and is a platform for the development of new creative projects and collaborations.

ABOUT THE YOUNG TALENT FUND

Somerset House's Young Talent Fund supports the next generation to fulfil their creative potential as artists and young people starting out in the cultural sector. Funds raised help Somerset House Studios to provide bursaries and financial relief to artists who couldn't otherwise afford to be in residence and provide opportunities to young people aged 18 – 25 years as they embark on careers in the cultural sector through advice, networking, skills-building sessions and paid industry placements. All donations make a real difference to what we can do, especially as Somerset House is an independent charity receiving no regular public funding.

ABOUT SOMERSET HOUSE

London's working arts centre

Somerset House is London's working arts centre and home to the UK's largest creative community. Built on historic foundations, we are situated in the very heart of the capital.

Dedicated to backing progress, championing openness, nurturing creativity and empowering ideas, our cultural programme is ambitious in scope. We insist on relevance, but aren't afraid of irreverence, and are as keen on entertainment as enrichment. We embrace the biggest issues of our times and are committed to oxygenating new work by emerging artists. Where else can you spend an hour ice-skating while listening to a specially commissioned sound piece by a cutting edge artist?

It is this creative tension – the way we harness our heritage, put the too-often overlooked on our central stage and use our neo-classical backdrop to showcase ground-breaking contemporary culture – that inspires our programme. Old and new, history and disruption, art and entertainment, high-tech and homemade, combined with the fact that we are home to a constantly shape-shifting working creative community: this is our point of difference. It is what we are proud of. And it is what makes the experience of visiting or working in Somerset House inspiring and energizing, urgent and exciting. somersethouse.org.uk