

Press Release

Bluecoat Display Centre presents

Music Makers

Friday 21st March 2014 - Saturday 3rd May 2014



Bluecoat Display Centre approached the artist Michael Brennand-Wood to invite him to curate an exhibition for their 2014 programme, *Music Makers* is his response.

'Anyone who knows or has spent time with me is probably waiting for the moment where I career from Art making into music making in all its diversity and sonic excitement. I'm convinced that there's a soundtrack to most people's lives, a song, title, lyric that inspires. I've never made anything when I haven't been listening to music. It fuels my work, drives a process and allows me access to the experience of others,

whether sound, rhythm, title or lyrical snapshot.'

Michael has invited selected makers to make a single work that is inspired by a song, title, lyric or musician which will be sized to reference pre-digital music storage ie. 12" vinyl, 7" single or 4.5" CD.

Artists include Julie Arkell, Mike Badger, Louise Baldwin, Stephen Bird, Michael Brennand-Wood, Lucy Casson, Kai Chan, Paul Derrez, Sally Freshwater, Gavin Fry, Pamela Gaunt, Matthew Harris, Rozanne Hawksley, Tom Hill, Mike Holmes, Rachael Howard, Jeanne- Marie Kenny, Ester Knobel, Cleo Mussi, Floor Mommersteeg, Jim Partridge & Liz Walmsley, Wendy Ramshaw, Philip Sanderson, Paul Scott, Verena Sieber-Fuchs, Anne Smith, Elizabeth Tarr, Christine Toh, Elizabeth Turrell, Jessica Turrell, Audrey Walker, & Liz Williamson.

Michael Brennand-Wood will open the show on Thursday 20th March from 5.30 -7.30pm at the Bluecoat Display Centre.

Paul Derrez, Free (propaganda), necklace, oxidised silver+acrylic



Local musician and *Music Makers* exhibitor Mike Badger and Eighties Vinyl Records will release a 7inch single *John Got Shot* with his band Mike Badger and the Shady Trio on Saturday 19th April. The single will be available for sale in Probe Records on School Lane in Liverpool, Mike will also produce a limited edition print of the sleeve artwork made from his trademark recycled tin cans and old tin boxes

which will be for sale exclusively at the Bluecoat Display Centre. Mike Badger and the Shady Trio will play the new single as part of a short acoustic set in the BDC on the release date.

Mike Badger Recycled Tin Bus



Mike Badger Workshop Sunday 30th March

Using our *Music Makers* exhibition as inspiration this workshop will combine Mike's dual careers as a musician and an artist to guide participants in using recycled materials to make a music inspired or related sculptural object.

Sunday Workshops run from 11am – 4pm and are open to all.

Tickets are £45 (£39 BDC Friends and concs) and include materials and refreshments. For further information and tickets by phone on 0151 7094014 or email crafts@bluecoatdisplaycentre.com

To keep informed of further events linked to Music Makers on Twitter [@BluecoatDisplay](https://twitter.com/BluecoatDisplay) and [Like us on Facebook](#)

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Notes to Editor

Bluecoat Display Centre (BDC) is a major, independent, regional centre for artistic activity that brings together artists and the public in an environment that encourages creativity, collaboration and exchange of ideas. A registered charity, based in Liverpool City Centre, BDC runs a gallery, education programme, public events and provides over 60 local and over 300 national and international applied artists and designers a platform to display and sell their work.

BDC originated as one of this country's earliest craft and design galleries in 1959, the first public gallery space within the Bluecoat Chambers, pre-dating the Bluecoat Gallery who are now our landlords.

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