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**FUTURE ICONS CURATES THE COLLECTORS LOUNGE
LONDON ART FAIR // 21-26 January 2020, Business Design Centre, Islington**

For the third year running, Future Icons returns to the London Art Fair as curator of the VIP Collectors Lounge. The 2020 curation is complimented with furnishing by British furniture manufacturer [ercol](#) and [Ptolemy Mann Rugs](#) supplied by The Rug Maker.

The material focus for The London Art Fair 2020 is 'Textiles', to support this we have chosen 6 leading textile practitioners to create exclusive artworks to be displayed within the VIP Lounge for guests to enjoy and buy. These will be accompanied by a selection of ceramic installations, metal sculptures and wooden vessels.



2020 artists include:



Claire Coles – Appliqué Art Work and Couture Wallpaper

Claire Coles designs and handcrafts some of the finest handmade couture wallpaper and appliqué artworks on the market today. Claire's collections has led her to collaborate with leading luxury brands such as Perrier Jouet, Missoni, Liberty, Paul Smith, the V&A shop to name a few. Alongside these commissions, Claire's wallpaper has been acquired by the Geffrye Museum for their permanent collection. Notable press includes The Times, Vogue, Financial Times, The Stylist and the Elle Decoration.

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Elizabeth Ashdown MA RCA – Passementerie Woven Wall Art

Only one of a few hand Passementerie weavers remaining in the UK, the award-winning Elizabeth Ashdown creates unique, intriguing and distinctive mixed media work for a variety of commercial and private clients. Traditional weaving techniques are combined with an energetic use of colour, pattern and material combinations to create contemporary, exclusive one-off pieces, both large and small. Works have previously been displayed and sold through New Ashgate Gallery, Bluecoat Display Centre and The Society of Designer Craftsmen.

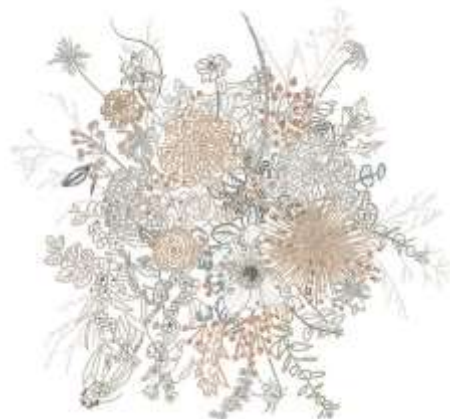
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Jo Davies MA RCA – Ceramics

Specialising in wheel-thrown ceramics, multi award winning Jo Davies has produced and shown collections through world renowned institutions including the National Portrait Gallery, Yorkshire Sculpture Park to the Somerset House. Represented across UK galleries and retailers, Jo also stocks internationally in South Korea and the USA. Notable press includes Ceramic Review, Period Living and Living Etc.

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Kate Lewis MA RCA – Artist

Kate Lewis is an internationally renowned textile designer for major global fashion houses such as Chanel, Dior, Louis Vuitton, Marc Jacobs (to name a mere few). In addition to her textile work, Kate also creates fine art and her first solo show launched in June 2019, titled 'The News Pressed' sold out within 2 weeks at Marylebone's Railings Gallery. She continues to develop originals and editioned prints for this series and will launch further collections in 2020. Notable press includes London Art News and World of Interiors.

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Katja Angeli MFA RCA – Artist

Tate Modern, ICA, Christie's and the Royal Academy of Arts in London are just a few of the venues who have proudly hosted award-winning fine artist Katja Angeli. Building upon her fine art portfolio, Katja's portfolio now include tapestries which have recently been on display at Museum of Contemporary Art in Genalguacil, HEART - Herning Museum of Contemporary Art in Denmark.

www.instagram.com/katjaangeli/

Lee Borthwick MA RCA – Mirrored tapestries



London based and Scottish born, artist Lee Borthwick creates custom-made and site-specific natural artworks for residential, commercial and exterior spaces. Famed for her 'Mirrored Tapestries', Lee's works have been showcased and retailed worldwide through the Hannah Peschar Sculpture Garden in Surrey, Cornell Art Museum in Delray Beach Florida, The Conran Shop London, Chariots on Fire in LA and Fortnum & Mason London to name a mere few.

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Rebecca Knott – Forged sculptural vessels



Born into a Blacksmithing family, artist Rebecca Knott uses her smithing skills to push the boundaries of this ancient craft to create contemporary functional service wear and sculptures. Constantly developing new processes, Rebecca treats the metal surface as a canvas, to explore texture, colour and contrast. Rebecca's collections have previously sold through The New Craftsman and featured on Michael Kor's 'at home with' feature for AD Magazine in the USA.

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Remy Dubibe – Ceramics



A fine artist working with the medium of porcelain and textiles, Remy's installations and artworks focus on memories, fragility and deterioration. Remy's installations have caught the attention of multiple European art awards, having been shortlisted and showcased in Latvia and The Netherlands this year alone. Notable press includes House of CoCo and Amelia's Magazine.

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Sally McGill - Ceramics

A fine artist currently working within the ceramic medium, Sally McGill's artworks have been showcased and sold at the Royal Academy of Art's Summer show no less than six times. Working predominantly in primary colours, Sally's artworks and tableware collections evoke mid-century print making characteristics and made only as one off or small batch production collections. Her collections are sold and celebrated in galleries across the UK

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Zuzana Lalikova – Embroidery Artist

Born in Slovakia and educated in the UK, Zuzana Lalikova uses traditional Slovakian embroidery techniques to produce large scale contemporary wall hangings. Geometrics and colour are a recurring theme through out the collections creating contemporary wall art for interiors and public spaces. Zuzana has previously been invited to produce live embroidery installations for The Courtauld Gallery and Animali Domestici Gallery.

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All Future Icons clients selected for the London Art Fair show have been selected based on provenance of skill and originality of design. Prices start from £145 rising to £4,500 for collections on show. All showcasing artists welcome commissions and each display is a small example of much larger collections. All enquiries and introductions to designers exclusively through Future Icons founder; Louisa Pacifico via louisa@futureicons.co.uk

ABOUT FUTURE ICONS

Future Icons represents and nurtures a select collection of design and craft led brands that produce the finest home accessories, furniture, textiles, art works and objet d'art internationally.

Future Icons client collections can be found in museum, galleries and private residences across the world. Our clients have amassed over 50 awards between them and editorial mentions in significant international publications throughout their careers. Future Icons collections are presented as heirlooms of the future. An opportunity for design conscious individuals to invest and enjoy now.

Looking to invest in a Future Icon? All Future Icons welcome commissions, so contact us to discuss your needs and we will connect you free of charge to our clients directly.

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ABOUT LONDON ART FAIR 2020

London Art Fair: 22-26 January 2020, Business Design Centre, Islington

London Art Fair returns from 22-26 January 2020, bringing museum-quality modern and contemporary art to the capital. The Fair connects the best galleries from around the world with seasoned and aspiring collectors looking to acquire exceptional works, from both internationally renowned artists and emerging artists breaking new ground. The Fair also provides expert insight into the contemporary art market through its talks, tours, screening programme and critically-acclaimed curated sections, including Art Projects, Photo50 and Dialogues.

London Art Fair continues to champion regional collections through its annual museum partnership, which this year invites Southampton City Art Gallery to showcase their outstanding modern British and contemporary art. Last year London Art Fair launched Platform, a new section focusing on a single theme or discipline. For 2020 it will capture the breadth of different artists working in textiles and the growing appreciation of the medium as a beautiful and collectible art form.

- 22 - 26 January 2020 (Preview 21 January)
- Business Design Centre, 52 Upper Street, Islington, London N1 0QH
- www.londonartfair.co.uk
- Tickets: £22, £17 in advance. Full ticket types and prices at: londonartfair.co.uk/tickets.
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