



# MOSTYN

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## **MOSTYN Open 21 - announcement of selected artists**

**Exhibition dates: 13 July - 27 October 2019**

MOSTYN, Wales is delighted to announce the names of selected artists for the 21st edition of MOSTYN Open to be exhibited from 13 July - 27 October 2019.

### **Selected artists:**

David Birkin, Rudi J.L. Bogaerts, John Bourne, Alexandre Camarao, Javier Chozas, Martyn Cross, Eugenia Cuellar, Jessie Edwards-Thomas, Sarah Entwistle, Expanded Eye, Julia R. Gallego, David Garner, Thomas Goddard, Oona Grimes, Georgia Hayes, Nick Hornby, Sooim Jeong, Nancy Jones, Adam Knight, Piotr Krzymowski, James Lewis, Neil McNally, Irene Montemurro, Anna Perach, Jessica Quinn, Ariel Reichman, William Roberts, Samantha Rosenwald, Klara Sedlo, Corinna Spencer, Chris Thompson, Richard Wathen, Paul Yore, Madalina Zaharia.

The selection of artists represents the continued rise of the gallery's international profile with participants located in the UK, Austria, Belgium, Czech Republic, Germany, Portugal, Spain, USA and Australia. Disciplines include textiles, photography, painting, sculpture, installation and film and video.

Since its inception in 1989, the MOSTYN Open has nurtured and presented the talent of established and emergent contemporary artists internationally.

The exhibition of selected works takes place at MOSTYN, with a cash prize of £10,000 awarded to a single artist or collective. In addition, the 'Audience Award' grants a cash prize of £1,000 to those who receive the most votes from visitors during the exhibition. New, for MOSTYN Open 21, the 'Exhibition Award' will award an exhibition at MOSTYN to the artist/collective that the selectors feel would most benefit at this point in their career.

The winners of the **£10,000 MOSTYN Open prize and the 'Exhibition Award'** will be announced at the exhibition opening event at MOSTYN, Wales UK on Saturday 13 July 2019. The **£1,000 'Audience Award'** will be announced soon after voting closes on Sunday 20 October 2019.

The selectors for MOSTYN Open 21 were: Jennifer Higgie, Editorial Director, Frieze, London; Katerina Gregos, Independent Curator, Brussels; Hannah Conroy, Co-Director and Curator, Kunstraum,

London; Alfredo Cramerotti, Director, MOSTYN. And of course, the visiting public for the 'Audience Award'.

Hannah Conroy, MOSTYN Open selector and Guest Curator said:

It was a real pleasure to work with the panel to select the 21st Open exhibition. The quality of submissions, with artists from all over the world, was really high and this made the selection process an exciting challenge. It's quite fitting that the 21st anniversary edition will be a celebration of such a variety of art forms. I'm looking forward to realising an exhibition that will be both playful and a little unexpected.

Alfredo Cramerotti, MOSTYN Director, said:

I'm delighted to see such diverse, and excellent, artistic practices making the 'final cut' of the 21st MOSTYN Open. This edition promises to appeal to the senses, and to the intellect, of our audiences.

### **About MOSTYN**

MOSTYN presents international art and culture of our time, activating people's lives through exhibitions, cultural programmes and commercial activities. Situated in the coastal town of Llandudno, it is Wales' foremost contemporary gallery and visual arts centre, serving as a place to form and share new perspectives through artistic/curatorial practice and audience engagement. It is part of the Plus TATE, the UK-wide contemporary visual art network.

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