

Jon Adams

Asperger's, Science/Art

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R-Space Gallery CIC

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R-Space will present a multimedia exhibition that explores autistic thinking and its value. The artist - Jon Adams - describes Asperger syndrome as both a gift and a disability and he explores that by presenting the results of two recent projects - 'Look About' - a two-year mapping and collecting project in response to the London 2012 Cultural Olympiad and 'KS' - a project commissioned after being identified by Professor Simon Baron Cohen as a natural systemizer (due to 'Look About'). This creatively driven, multi-layered project weaves together science and art, digital and analogue, and Jon's autobiographical experiences.

Talks & Workshops:

Jon Adams will be giving an artist talk at R-Space Gallery about his work at the opening of the exhibition on **Saturday 1 February at 3pm.**

He will also be running two additional workshops entitled "**Layers of our Lives**". The workshops will explore how to produce a graphic representation of everyday ordinary data by creating a timeline in a geological field diary format.

Monday 3 February and Tuesday 4 February 2014 Time 2pm - 4pm

Maximum 10 participants + Carers where appropriate

Booking required: please phone Anthea or Robert for more details and to book places (groups of & individuals welcome, 16 years +, free of charge)

About the Artist:

International Artist Jon Adams' fine art practice draws upon a wide range of materials and processes which include photography, video, sound recording and digital sound and visual manipulation, 3D installations, traditional sculpture and illustration. Jon is currently a Research Fellow in Disability Arts within the Faculty of CCI at the University of Portsmouth. His work includes themes of hidden disability and positive dyslexia and Asperger's awareness combined with a subversive or geological context.

About R-Space Gallery:

R Space Gallery is a contemporary visual arts space, presenting a programme of exhibitions, events and arts activity in the City of Lisburn. R Space's ambition is to increase access, understanding and enjoyment of contemporary visual arts, crafts, design, performance and other related arts activities. It collaborates with a diverse range of excellent and challenging, local and international artists working in different media to provide audiences from a wide range of educational, social and cultural backgrounds with different points of access to the arts.

You can find out more about this exhibition at the gallery at www.rspace.lisburn.com

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