

JENNA WALDREN

Jenna Waldren, b 1999, London, graduated from the BA (Hons) Painting programme at the University of Edinburgh (2021) with a First-Class Honours. She is now based in North London at the Proposition Studios, where she continues to develop her professional practice.

Waldren regularly exhibits in both London and Edinburgh. Notable exhibitions include the Chelsea Art Society 75th Annual Exhibition, her second solo exhibition titled *The Art of Living* at Cass Art Islington and the *Society of Scottish Artists 130th Exhibition* at the Royal Scottish Academy. She is also represented by WING Art Gallery in Wadhurst, East Sussex.

In November 2024 Waldren will appear on episode 5 of Sky Arts Portrait Artist of the Year.



Jenna Waldren, *After Dinner by Lamplight*, Oil on Wooden Panel, 61 x 76 cm, 2023

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2023

The Art of Living, Cass Art Islington, London

2022

The Hen Collective Presents: Jenna Waldren, Babka Cafe, Edinburgh

AWARDS

2024

Winner of the BTA Rising Star Award
Shortlisted for the Hesketh Hubbard Bursary

2023

Longlisted for Scottish Portrait Awards

2018

Winner of the London First Prize, Arts Depot Open, London

EDUCATION

2023

Intensive Drawing Course, Royal Drawing School

2017 - 2021

First Class, BA (Hons) Painting, The University of Edinburgh / Edinburgh

GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2024

In the Making, Wasps Patrioathall, Edinburgh
Chelsea Art Society 75th Annual Exhibition, Chelsea, London

All in Good Time, 92 Degrees, Hanover Street, Edinburgh

Drawing Open, No Format Gallery, London

This is Earthly Stuff, AMP Gallery, London

2023

Painting Open, Second Floor Studios & Arts, No Format Gallery, London

Group Portrait, Whitespace Gallery, Edinburgh

The Feelings Mutual, Sett Studios, Edinburgh

2022

SSA 130 Years, Royal Scottish Academy, Edinburgh

GUT, Whitespace Gallery, Edinburgh

Differing Parallels, Insight School of Art, London

Closing Exhibition by We are Sweet Art, The Bypass Gallery, London

Book Project, Tebbs Gallery, Virtual Exhibition

Tenderfoot, St Margret's House, Edinburgh

The grass is always greener on the Sa-Lawn, Embassy Gallery, Edinburgh

Border Art Fair, SSA, Jedburgh

The Hen Collective Retrospective, Blunt Knife Gallery, Edinburgh

RE-KNEW'ED, Dundas Street Gallery, Edinburgh

FEATURES

2024

Sky Arts Portrait Artist of the Year, Episode 5

2023

None of yer Business Podcast - <https://open.spotify.com/episode/59vkL9E16VP0xtnHpUtsot?si=49fb386ec86a4f29>

Issue 2, Triptych Magazine - <https://triptychmag.files.wordpress.com/2023/01/triptych-issue-2-january-2023-7.pdf>

2022

Local Supporting Local Podcast - <https://open.spotify.com/episode/7Bm5PbdGL2ZaBWTJws9I8U?si=adfb718b2570412c>

Interview for Solo Exhibition, The Hen Collective - <https://youtu.be/Hz27BpTJz18>

Artist of the Week, The Edi Mag - <https://www.theedimagazine.com/post/artist-of-the-week-jenna-waldren>

2021

30 x 30, Royal Scottish Academy, Edinburgh
Degree Show, Edinburgh College of Art, Edinburgh

Graduate Showcase, Virtual Exhibition

Collective Creation, GUM Magazine, Virtual Exhibition

Printmaking Volume 1, Rafiki Gallery, Virtual Exhibition

Carbon Copies, Virtual Exhibition

2020

The Rattlecap: Pop up Exhibition, Wee Red Bar, Edinburgh

New Becoming Normal, Portobello

Speaking to Absent Voices- Art and the Playfair Library, University of Edinburgh's Centre for Research Collections (CRC), Virtual Exhibition

2019

Filling Voids, Sculptor Court, Edinburgh

Bookmarks, The Fire Station, Edinburgh

E.01, Whitespace Gallery, Edinburgh

She_Exhibition, Virtual Exhibition

2018

Arts Depot Open, Arts Depot, London

Untitled DOKument, DOK Artist Space, Edinburgh

2021

Interview with Cass Art Blog - <https://www.cassart.co.uk/blog/jenna-waldren-discusses-lockdown-and-returning-to-university.htm>

Art and Playfair Library Project, Elizabeth Lawrence and Jane Hyslop - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0JUaxZHp8FQ>

2018

Article about Arts Depot Open 2018 - <https://www.times-series.co.uk/news/16411003.artsdepot-open-four-artists-honoured-exhibition/>

Newsletter about Arts Depot Open 2018 - <https://www.insight-art.co.uk/news/more-success-at-the-artsdepot-open/>