

## JONNY LYONS

Jonny Lyons' practice explores the dramatic moment between 'cause' and 'effect' through sculpture, performance and photography.

He often hand-crafts ingenious devices, or creates set-ups that trick the eye, to execute his mischievous tableaux. Afterwards these functioning sculptures - having fulfilled their purpose - are presented as relics of the event together with the photographic evidence. But the photographs are not simply documentation of a sequence of events. They are imbued with physical humour, wit and often a melancholy, with more recent works reimagining the work of great film-makers such as Buster Keaton or Jean Cocteau with knowing affection.

In carrying out these processes and collaborations Lyons attempts to reconcile a sort of whimsical escapism - whether through reenacting cinematic moments or engaging his childhood friends to stage daredevil feats - with the pressures of the ordinary adult world.

### Biography

1988	Born in Glasgow, UK
2009 - 2013	Duncan of Jordanstone College of Art and Design, BA Hons (Fine Art)
2013	Royal Scottish Academy John Kinross scholarship, Florence Royal Scottish Academy New Contemporaries
2015/16	RSA Residencies Scotland, Glasgow Sculpture Workshop, Glasgow, UK
2017	Residency at Cleveland Print Room, Cleveland, Ohio
2018	Residency with Askeaton Contemporary, Askeaton, Eire

Lives and works in Glasgow

### Solo Exhibitions

2018	<i>Joyride</i> , 2018, solo installation for <i>Welcome to the Neighbourhood</i> , Askeaton Contemporary, Askeaton, Eire
2017	<i>(Here Come) the Goloshins</i> , Cleveland Print Room, Cleveland, Ohio, USA
2016	<i>Dream Easy</i> , Ingleby, Edinburgh, UK

### Group Exhibitions

2019	<i>Next Top Model</i> , Govan Project Space, Glasgow UK
2018	<i>Jacob's Ladder</i> , Ingleby, Edinburgh, UK <i>TWENTY</i> , Ingleby, Edinburgh, UK <i>We Disappear</i> , Glasgow International, Glasgow, UK
2015	<i>Edition Two</i> , Dundee Print Collective, Hannah Maclure Centre, Dundee, UK <i>Silk Road</i> , Impact 9 Print Festival, China Academy of Arts, China
2014	<i>Members Show 2014</i> , GENERATOR Projects, Dundee, UK <i>RSA New Contemporaries</i> , Royal Scottish Academy, Edinburgh, UK <i>New Scottish Artists</i> , The Fleming Collection, London, UK <i>They Had 4 Years</i> , GENERATOR Projects, Dundee, UK

*GENERATION: Open Dialogues*, Royal Scottish Academy, Edinburgh, UK  
*Back & Forth*, SWG3, Glasgow, UK  
*The Re-Up*, Veneer Gallery, Glasgow, UK

2013 *Members Show 2013*, GENERATOR Projects, Dundee, UK  
*Futureproof 203*, Peacock Visual Arts, Aberdeen, UK  
Royal Glasgow Institute 152nd Annual Exhibition, McClelland Galleries, Glasgow, UK

### **Residencies and Awards**

2018 Residency with Askeaton Contemporary, Askeaton, Eire  
2017 Residency at Cleveland Print Room, Cleveland, Ohio  
2015 RSA Residencies for Scotland  
2014 Royal Scottish Academy Adam Bruce Thomson Award  
2013 Royal Scottish Academy John Kinross scholarship, Florence  
Royal Scottish Academy New Contemporaries: Selected Artist  
The Glasgow Art Club Award  
James Torrance Memorial Award

### **Public Collections**

Royal Scottish Academy, Edinburgh, UK  
McManus Art Gallery  
Walter Scott & Partners, Edinburgh