

Axolotl Gallery new exhibition 4th March 2011



Two new exhibitions open today at Axolotl on Dundas Street

Frank McGonigal New Works

Prolific Scottish artist Francis (Frank) McGonigal was born of an Italian immigrant mother and Scottish father on 31 October 1958 in Crosslee near Glasgow. His grandfather was Italian Impressionist Gianni Brumatti (1901-1990) of Trieste in Northeastern Italy. It was during his childhood in Crosslee that Frank discovered his passion for architecture when he saw David Bryce's Craigends House which by that time was in near ruins. The architecture of Bryce has influenced Frank's work to this day. Frank's work for this show depicts huge oil paintings of familiar scenes in Edinburgh.



Simon Pontin – Karmaralised

My aim as an artist is to produce as much quality, experience based artworks as possible. I loosely adhere to the principles of Transpersonal Art. I believe that art is, in its archetypal form, a means for Man to transcend the obvious and the physical, manifesting the spiritual reality of the self. I believe that through the process of creating my work, and the materials and meditation employed, a transmutation of substance occurs. This process is a spiritual journey, a process of cleansing and healing that even though mostly misunderstood by myself, leaves me with a sense of connection to the world around me, and a general feeling of well being.