

Edinburgh art gallery to display Kelly Holmes torso



Embracing the spirit of the Commonwealth Games, the Urbane Art Gallery in Edinburgh will be exhibiting the real body casts of athletes Dame Kelly Holmes and Kriss Akabusi MBE, among other sculptures by world leading body-cast sculptor Louise Giblin, in its summer show from 23rd July.

Louise Giblin, who studied art and sculpture at Brighton and Chelsea Art College, is an Associate of the Royal British Society of Sculptors, and her subject matter is the human form. Her models have included well-known politicians, musicians, top sports people, television celebrities, dancers and businessmen. Her sculptures and drawings have been exhibited in London, the USA and Hong Kong.

The Urbane Art Gallery, on Edinburgh's Jeffrey Street, is delighted to be showcasing her work this summer. Tracey Robertson, gallery director said:- "Louise's work is really exciting, and she is becoming very well known, not least because her models are prominent figures in themselves. We are very pleased that she has chosen our gallery to show off her talent. I expect that during the Edinburgh Festival and with Commonwealth Games fever happening, her exhibition will be hugely popular."

Supporting Louise in the summer show, and in her first major exhibition, is Scottish artist Rosie Playfair, who will be exhibiting new paintings for this show. Rosie, who is a partner in the Edinburgh PR firm Playfair Walker, graduated from Dundee Art College in Graphic Design. She describes her stylised work as 'designerly' rather than painterly. Rosie has previously exhibited in galleries in Edinburgh, Dundee and

Stirling. Her work is held in private collections in London, Edinburgh, Paris and St Tropez.

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