

# 'Jock McFadyen Goes to the Pictures' opening at City Art Centre

Proudly presented by the City Art Centre, '[Jock McFadyen Goes to the Pictures](#)' is a two-floor exhibition of works by contemporary artist Jock McFadyen RA, whose impressive career has spanned over four decades. Timed to mark his 70th birthday, this major exhibition showcases new and existing paintings by McFadyen paired alongside artworks specifically selected by the artist from the City Art Centre's rich and varied collection.



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Opening on Saturday 14 November, this exhibition by McFadyen displays his urban and rural landscapes, as well as some of

his figurative paintings, next to works from the City Art Centre's collection of historic and contemporary Scottish art. Over the last year McFadyen has regularly visited the picture stores to carefully select works for the show.

His choices range from 'old favourites' by renowned Scottish artists such as F. C. B. Cadell and Alan Davie, to ones that have rarely been seen by the public.

Through a series of fascinating pairings, the exhibition encourages viewers to take a closer look. Works that might initially seem unrelated reveal unexpected connections and relationships.





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Some of these juxtapositions are witty; some are striking or surprising. By showcasing these artworks side by side, the exhibition aims to highlight common visual threads that connect all pictures, confounding the traditional boundaries of period, style and artistic posture.

The exhibition is the first in a series of four shows celebrating McFadyen's work, followed by Jock McFadyen: Tourist without a Guidebook at The Royal Academy of Arts, London (tbc February – 11 April 2021), Jock McFadyen: Lost Boat Party (11 June – 25 September 2021) a collaboration between Dovecot Studios and the Scottish Gallery at the Dovecot Studios, Edinburgh and ending with Jock McFadyen Goes to The Lowry at The Lowry, Salford (dates to be confirmed).



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'Jock McFadyen Goes to the Pictures' opens on Saturday 14 November 2020, and runs until 11 April 2021. Admission is free, pre-booking online essential via [edinburghmuseums.org.uk](https://edinburghmuseums.org.uk)