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Faculty Gallery
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exhibition title

The HAT Project
(Here and There) - Australia/UK

exhibition dates

Jun 30 to Aug 10 2005
opening Wed Jun 29 6-8pm

hours

9am-5pm Monday to Friday
1pm-5pm Saturday
Admission free

The Faculty Gallery will be also be open throughout Monash University's Open Day, Sunday 7 August, 10am-4pm

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Monash unleashes Hat Trick

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"In an era characterized by notions of a shrinking world as communication seemingly lessens distance, two groups of jewellers, designers and artists involved themselves in a project which immersed them in the day to days of cultures not their own – throwing contemporary assumptions of commonality out the window." Karen Finch, Craft Culture

Here and There (HAT) is an international exchange and exhibition project that considers the issues, concerns and design trends of contemporary jewellery making in Australia and the United Kingdom. The resulting exhibition presents the work of the seventeen Australian and UK jewellers who have completed the three month HAT residency.

The HAT Project comes to Faculty Gallery, Faculty of Art & Design, Monash University, after an extensive tour of the United Kingdom and other parts of Australia.

The exhibition explores the studio processes of the designer/maker at work, and displays not only a selection of finished works completed during the residency positions, but also research, developmental drawings, text, and photographic documentation of immediate surroundings.

Artists include Julie Blyfield, Cynthia Cousens, Christian Hall, Marian Hosking, Alina Jay, Sheridan Kennedy, Ashi Marwaha, Vicki Mason, Junko Mori, Claire Norcross, Mah Rana, Liz Rattigan, Vaneeta Seecharran, Marcus Steel, Catherine Truman, Mark Vaarwerk and Annabet Wyndham.

Vicki Mason is a Melbourne based jeweller who will also be completing a series of workshops in the Metals and Jewellery Studios in conjunction with the exhibition.

Marian Hosking is the Course Coordinator of Metals and Jewellery, in the Department of Fine Arts, Faculty of Art & Design, Monash University.

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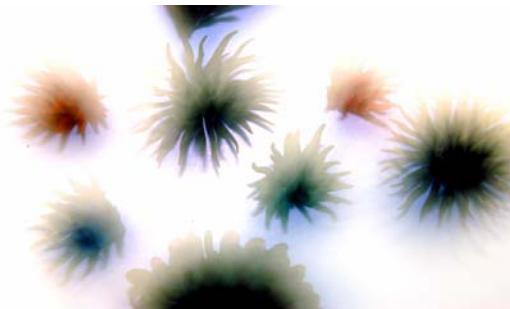


Image caption: Junko Mori, work in progress, HAT Project. Photograph: Johnny Macgee

