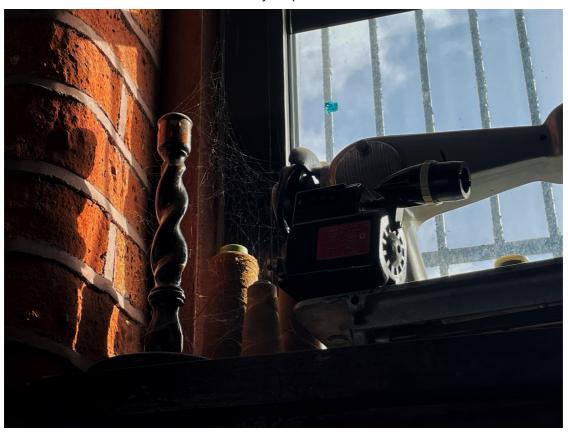


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Ona Juciūtė's research documentation during DeMo residency (February 2022)

## 2022 RECIPROCAL RESIDENCY SOLO SHOWS

by Mark Buckeridge and Ona Juciūtė
Saturday 23 April–Saturday 2 July 2022
Launch: Friday 22 April 2022, 7pm–9pm

CCA Derry~Londonderry is delighted to invite you to the launch of 4 Ballads by Mark Buckeridge (NI/RoI) and (TITLE) by Ona Juciūtė (LT), our 2022 reciprocal residents. This is the second iteration of our residency programme and partnership with Kaunas Artists' House and the Lithuanian Culture Institute. Entitled DeMo, this

biennial programme supports emerging artists to participate in an exchange between Northern Ireland and Lithuania. The solo shows are comprised of new work made during the residency inspired by personal narratives and the former textile industry of our region (Ona Juciūtė) and sean nós singing and community found in music making (Mark Buckeridge).

Partners: CCA Derry~Londonderry, Lithuanian Culture Institute, Kaunas Artists' House. Initiated by CCA Director Catherine Hemelryk, former Lithuanian Cultural Attaché in the UK Justė Kostikovaitė, and Director of Kaunas Artists' House Rūta Stepanovaitė. With thanks to Agnė Bagdžiūnaitė, coordinator and curator of *DeMo*, and Ūla Tornau, current Lithuanian Cultural Attaché in the UK.

## **ARTIST BIOGRAPHIES**

Mark Buckeridge is an artist who lives and works in Belfast. His practice encompasses performance, installation, text and sound. Buckeridge graduated with an MFA in Fine Art from Sandberg Institute, Amsterdam and has exhibited across Ireland, the UK and the Netherlands. In recent work, installations and performances seek to extract alternative readings of place and community through staging exhibitions, public gatherings and live performances. For CCA, Mark will perform over the course of the exhibition as part of a mixed media installation to include drawing, collage and sculpture.

Ona Juciūtė is a visual artist based in Vilnius. She is interested in the transformation of visual experiences into physical objects and works across sculpture, film and assemblage. The film in this exhibition features patchwork textiles captured during the residency narrated by the voice of her father, and a series of assemblages inspired by the stories of the Factory Girls. She holds a MA in Sculpture from Vilnius Academy of Arts and was awarded the JCDecaux Award for Best Young Artist in 2016, and has participated in residencies including Rupert and an upcoming residency in Germany.

## **ENDS**

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About CCA Derry~Londonderry: The Centre for Contemporary Art (CCA) is a publicly funded space within the historic city walls of Derry~Londonderry. CCA creates opportunities for audiences to experience ambitious, experimental and engaging art and for emerging artists to develop successful careers. CCA fosters a wide range of artistic, curatorial and critical practices through five programme streams: research and production, exhibition- making, public programmes, publishing and residencies.

CCA is a shortlisted organisation for Art Fund Museum of the Year 2021. CCA was recognised for its resilience and adaptability throughout the pandemic, and their continued effort to support audiences and artists including creating paid opportunities for artists and freelancers when they needed it most.

CCA is a member of Plus Tate: Plus Tate is a network, which comprises 35 cultural institutions – including the Tate galleries – that have strong artistic vision, a focus on contemporary art, outstanding public programming and a commitment to local community engagement through art. Plus Tate aims to support the development of the visual arts across the UK.

Safety: CCA has a range of safety measures to ensure staff and visitors can enjoy exhibitions with the knowledge that every precaution is taken. This includes hand sanitisers at entrances and exits, track and trace, screens and heightened cleaning schedules. All who are able to wear a mask are invited to do so and a dedicated isolation room is available in the event of the onset of symptoms.

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