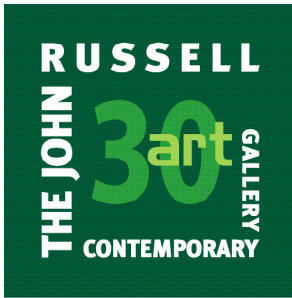


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DAVID QUANTRILL

Mixed Media Paintings

29th June – 25th July '09

This Lowestoft-trained and based artist has gone from strength to strength since his first solo exhibition at The Gallery twenty years ago! A regular contributor to our mixed ArtOne Contemporary Exhibition and now here for his fourth solo show, David continues to embrace colour, texture and technique in what he calls his 'expressionist' paintings. For indeed that is exactly what they are - an expression of his creative self and not merely a true rendition of what he sees in front of him. He takes inspiration from his surrounding landscape, estuaries and other topographical features, all of which make recognisable forms within his abstracted compositions.

It is a confident man indeed who chooses to look beyond the conventional and produces more challenging work - work with an 'edge'. But surely that is what art is all about - a continually developing process and pushing of boundaries with the encouragement of broader thinking.

Artists should show themselves to be extremely proficient in the skills of basic drawing and composition before even contemplating adopting a radical style. David has proved without a doubt that he is that man, as have the likes of Picasso, Dali and many other great painters before him. Their early work shows them to be perfectly sound draftsmen when it comes to traditional imagery, but there comes a point when it all starts to become just that little bit too comfortable. That is when temptation arises to start breaking the rules, to think more laterally and to leave more space - and why shouldn't this be so? We all know that rules are meant to be broken and that one has to be fully conversant with the rules in order to break them, but equally rules can be modified to fit a changing situation.

David makes full use of the different media and techniques at his disposal for what promises to be a very comprehensive exhibition showcasing his extraordinary talents.

Monday - Saturday 9.30 am - 5.00 pm

A selection of images from the Exhibition will be available to view on the web site from Saturday 27th June - www.artone.co.uk