



# Warrington Contemporary Arts Festival

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### IN A FLUX

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#### An exhibition of new work by artist group The Manchester Salon

The Manchester Salon is a group of five artists – Lindsey Bull, Maurice Carlin, Daniel Fogarty, Laura Mansfield and Jen Wu, each of whom work in the different practices of sculpture, installation, painting, printmaking, publications and curating. The group was formed to promote critical debate and discussion around their work. Through inviting curators, artists and writers to Manchester, the project aims to stimulate dialogue around critical art practice in the city.

This exhibition, part of the 2014 Warrington Contemporary Arts Festival, is the group's response to Warrington Museum & Art Gallery. As a group united by discourse, the Salon has responded to the Museum by reading the building and its contents as a site of unfolding and endless conversations.

Revolving around a series of modulating brick forms, reconfigured from Jen Wu's current urban reclamation work *The Wall*, Lindsey Bull's small scale figurative paintings and Maurice Carlin's print series are set amidst a turquoise backdrop re-staged from Daniel Fogarty's ongoing project *OXO* conference. The exhibition invites the viewer to look for points of connection, association and difference not only between the works on show but also within the Museum's collection and its structures of display. Throughout the duration of the exhibition the group will further remove, change and add to the works on show generating a continual state of flux within the gallery space.

On 11<sup>th</sup> October Laura Mansfield will give a reading in the ethnographic galleries from her current publication project *Fas - Rituals for a Future Unknown*.

The exhibition continues until 10 January 2015 for further information on the exhibition and Warrington Contemporary Arts Festival please visit [www.warringtonmuseum.co.uk](http://www.warringtonmuseum.co.uk).

#### Notes to editor:

- The Manchester Salon is funded by Arts Council England and generously supported by Allan and Jo Melzack and Islington Mill Studios.
- For further information on each of the artists please see their individual websites: [www.lindseybull.com](http://www.lindseybull.com), [www.mauricecarlin.com](http://www.mauricecarlin.com), [www.danielfogarty.co.uk](http://www.danielfogarty.co.uk), [www.thewallmustberebuilt.org](http://www.thewallmustberebuilt.org)
- Culture Warrington is a charitable trust established in May 2012 comprising Pyramid & Parr Hall and Warrington Museum & Art Gallery.
- Situated in the heart of Warrington's Cultural Quarter, Pyramid & Parr Hall are two of the North West's leading arts & entertainment venues for music, comedy, dance, drama and much more.
- Warrington Museum & Art Gallery showcases the work of local, national and internationally renowned artists, alongside its acclaimed world, local and natural history galleries.