

OCCUPATION: ARTIST CV

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OCCUPATION: Artist began as a group of jewellers who supported each other's practices, shared creative experiences and empowered each others' ideas.

We have since morphed into a group committed to raising jewellery's profile in the public eye. We are about engagement, outreach and creating a platform upon which jewellery can be uplifted.

Our collective persona leverages the group identity to open up opportunities that are possible collectively but not individually; actions and disruptions that jolt us out of our inward-looking, autonomous practices, and engagements with the community that require a scale and scope beyond the individual.

Together we aim to bring the expanded field of contemporary jewellery to a new audience by raising its public profile and fostering critical discourse.

PRESENTATIONS/EVENTS INITIATED

- 2023 Invited to exhibit at **The Refinery Artspace**, Nelson Jewellery Week, NZ
- 2021 Invited to reprise performance of public event *All that Glitters*, **The Dowse Art Museum**, Wellington, NZ
- 2019 *Not Those Kind of Jewellers*, Presented at **Radiant Pavilion** Lightning Talks, Melbourne
Member of panel for *All The Jewellery*, **RMIT Design Hub**, Melbourne
- 2018 *No Filter*, Co-ordinated and presented calendar of week-long exhibitions, Wellington
Invited to perform public event *All that Glitters*, **The Dowse Art Museum**, Wellington, NZ
- 2017 Speaker at *Making Out*, Relay Panel, Curated by Julie Ewington, Radiant Pavilion, Australia
Co-ordinated and hosted 13 speakers at **JEWELTalk**, Wellington
- 2016 Presented *O: A* at *Radiant Pavilion* at **JEWELTalk**, Wellington

GROUP PROJECTS

- 2023 *Push Play*, group show at Te Auaha, Wellington, NZ
- 2023 *Reflect*, group show at **Nelson Jewellery Week**, NZ
Detour, **PARK(ing) Day**, Wellington, NZ (Winner Judges' Choice Award)
- 2020 *Tread Lightly*, **PARK(ing) Day**, Wellington, NZ
Gallery Faux, fictitious art gallery with a real-life website; **CNZ-funded Covid-19 project**
- 2019 *RED*, **Radiant Pavilion**, Melbourne
Detour, **PARK(ing) Day**, Wellington, NZ (Winner Judges' Choice Award)
- 2018 *Exhausted*, **PARK(ing) Day**, Wellington, NZ (Joint Winner Judges' Choice Award)
- 2017 *Paved with Gold*, **Radiant Pavilion**, Melbourne
Thin Ice, **PARK(ing) Day**, Wellington, NZ
- 2016 *O: A at The See Here*, **The See Here**, Wellington NZ
Golden Section, **PARK(ing) Day**, Wellington, NZ
- 2015 Adorned Spaces: **SNAG**, Boston USA
Occupy Crossley St, **Radiant Pavilion**, Melbourne
Occupy Anna, **Anna Miles Gallery**, Auckland
- 2013 *Open days* at the **Grand Arcade**, Wellington

SHOWS HOSTED AT STUDIO

- 2014 Oct: *Lost in Transformation*, Natalie Smith and Amy King
July: *Domestic in Nature*, Fran Carter
- 2013 Nov: *You'd-Prolong*, Sarah Walker-Holt
Oct: \$N/A (Price Not Applicable), Monica Buchan-Ng
Oct: Contemporary Wellington: showcase for Mike Holmes of Velvet da Vinci, San Francisco
August: *The Grand Baby Royal X* – Georgia Clack
June: *Wunderruma Casting Call* – for Warwick and Karl's curatorial fishing trip

RESIDENCIES HOSTED AT STUDIO

- 2015 Greta Menzies, *Shapeshifter*, 8 weeks
- 2014 Jane Ritchie, USA, 7 weeks
Greta Menzies, *YESYES*, 2 weeks

MEDIA

- 2018 *Explorations* : *Paved with Gold by Occupation*: Artist interview by Sophia Cai for Radiant Pavilion's writing series exploring four stand-out events presented at Radiant Pavilion, 2017
- 2017 *PLAY AND POSSIBILITY* Crafted Words—Art Jewellery Forum & Radiant Pavilion
By Vidya Sai Rajan
- 2013 *URBAN DREAM BROKERAGE PROJECT 6* Founded in 2013 and located in Grand Arcade, Willis St, Wellington, our initial site was secured via the Urban Dream Brokerage project.

CURRENT MEMBERS

Vivien Atkinson, Becky Bliss, Vernon Bowden, Kelly McDonald, Sarah Read,
Nadine Smith, Caroline Thomas, Lisa van Hulst