



## **Press Release**

**25 July 2015**

### **Office Sessions IV: Beak Street**

**28 July – 6 August 2015**

**Private View: Tuesday 28 July 2015, 6:00 – 9:00PM**

**Exhibition open: 4 August 2015 and by appointment**

**Location: 40 Beak Street, Soho, W1F 9RQ**

In the fourth edition of “Office Sessions”, a London-based art and community project founded and directed by Caitlin Mavroleon, “Office Sessions IV: Beak Street” opens on 28 July 2015 and ends 6 August 2015. Over 60 artists exhibit their work in an abandoned building, with artworks situated on all five floors; the art practice on show ranges from 3-D/ sculptural works to installation, performance, and 2-D pieces such as paintings, photography, and drawings. Much of the work is for sale and is available for viewing on the Private Views (28 July 2015 and 4 August 2015) or by appointment.

“Office Sessions IV: Beak Street” takes place at 40 Beak Street in Soho, London, at the site of a former Metropolitan police station Section house (opened 1909-10). The same address had been empty for some time prior to occupation by squatters in 2013, and was also the location of “Carnival against Capitalism” in June 2013 (a protest against G8 forum taking place in Northern Ireland at the same time).

Two years later, in “Office Sessions IV”, 40 Beak Street is taken over by more than 60 artists to show a range of art practice that is almost overwhelming in its breadth and variety; visitors can expect to find large-scale sculptural objects, room-sized installations, as well as smaller but still impactful paintings, prints, photographs and other objects. Some artists have chosen to paint the walls behind their work “gallery style” while others retained the graffiti and other embellishments left behind by the former tenants; either way, an interesting energy and context is lent to the artwork throughout the site.

A few of the notable artists taking part in “Office Sessions IV: Beak Street” include:

Vanya Balogh (curator of “The Fall of Rebel Angels” in 59<sup>th</sup> Venice Biennale 2015); Susana Sanroman, India Roper-Evans, and Glenn Fitzpatrick (all showing in “The Fall of Rebel Angels” in 59<sup>th</sup> Venice Biennale 2015); Hannah Campion (featured in the Guardian, The Telegraph + Wall Street International Magazine, collections include Smurfit, AstraZeneca + Charnwood Borough Council); Afshin Naghouni; (Iranian-British wheelchair-bound painter and subject of 2014 documentary film “Out of Focus”); and Adam Zoltowski (short-listed in 2014 Bloomberg New Contemporaries).

On the initial **Private View opening 28 July 2015, from 6:00PM to 9:00PM**, there will be a number of performances throughout the night, including:

6:30PM – David Stuppel, basement

6:30PM – Ian Sinclair

8:00PM – Dalia Animé, “Fixation”, 1<sup>st</sup> floor

*More performances will be added on the night.*

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**Participating artists in “Office Sessions IV: Beak Street”, 28 July – 6 August 2015 include:**

Paul Abbott, Pooja Aggarwal, Dalia Animé, Jheni Arboine, Chris Bagnall, Vanya Balogh, Andrea Bergqvist, Siobhan Binaghi, Yvette Blackwood, Scarlett Bow, Victoria Burgher, Hannah Campion, Ayelet Carmi, Gerard Carson, Nicholas Cheeseman, Roger Clarke, Rosemary Cronin, Aidan Dun, Sarah Faulkner, Luca Federici, Ashley Scott Fitzgerald, Nicholas Funk (Yang Chang), Henry Gardiner, Gzillion Artist, Eldi Hablo, Guy Haddon-Grant, Stephen Hennessy, Georgina Hodgson, Lauren Jacobs, Vanja Karas, Bom Kim, JinJoo Kim, Rosa Lamas, Jeremy Lee, YeHee Lee, Joseph Lichy, Bronac McNeill, Julian McSweeney, Rebecca Molloy, Nazanin Moradi, Mud, George Myers, Yuko Nabeta, Afshin Naghouni, Regan O'Callaghan, Joscelyne O'Flaherty, Michal Ohana-Cole, Simon Oliver, Wayne Parker, Lenka Rayn H., Barak Reiser, Andrew Rickett, India Roper-Evans, Robin Rutherford, Mario Varas Sanchez, Natalie Sanders, Alice Shirley, Guy Shoham, Jonathan Slaughter, Ian Sinclair, Laura Solomons, Christine Stewart, Alice Straker, David Stuppel, Ambika Subramaniam, Kelly Sweeney, Mari Tayama, Nalini Thapen, Nadine Thau, Claire Timmis, Christopher Ward, Mark Woods, Adam Zoltowski and many more!

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