

LUCY MJ BALL

Lucy moved to Wiltshire in 2023. This move dramatically changed her life and environment, it makes sense therefore that her work is changing in some areas.

Lucy is, these days, predominately a printmaker. Although the same ideas apply to much of the work she produces, the slant and use of the printing process has changed and things will almost certainly change again.





Lucy sees her move as the beginning of a new life. She was drawn to the area she lives in now for its ancient and open landscape and huge skies. An area rich in Neolithic barrows and other sites, an abundance of Sarsen stones as well as the much more recent chalk horses emblazoned across the hillsides.

Lucy studied Fine Art at Canterbury Art College back in the '70s. She was a painter in those days.

Later on she studied History of Art at Birkbeck college, University of London. Before her move to Wiltshire, Lucy had first lived in Oxfordshire and then Devon. Having done little printmaking previously Lucy joined the Tamar Valley Printmakers, @tamarvalleyprintmakers run by Mary Gillett @gillettemary, and became captivated by etching and aquatint.

Lucy's subject matter is mostly to do with the human condition, relationships of people and place and of people and animals.

Lucy's work is also influenced by literature and myth. She sees her creativity as a cathartic process.

"... art always wins. Anything can happen to me, but... art will stay."
(Quote by Ai Weiwei)

Lucy enjoys the process of etching which, to her, is alchemical magic. It is a process requiring both creativity and a patient, often slow but considered adherence to technical considerations.

Lucy also produces monotype prints and lithographs. She is currently a member of the Lemonade Press in Bristol which is a dedicated Lithography studio
@lemondelitho run by Catherine Ade
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