

RUG

Unit 16, Ground Floor, Capital Centre, Queen Street, Cardiff, CF10 2HQ  
FREE ADMISSION – Monday to Sunday 12pm – 6pm

## Cas Holmes' 'Places, Spaces, Traces' opens 21<sup>st</sup> March to 18<sup>th</sup> April 2020

The Romani Cultural & Arts Company is proud to announce a new exhibition of works by the artist Cas Holmes. This exciting installation of specially commissioned artworks is the latest in our groundbreaking Gypsy Maker project—an initiative that supports the development of innovative works by established and emerging Gypsy, Roma and Traveller artists. The Gypsy Maker project expands the work of the RCAC by continuing to engage GRT communities with the wider public in ongoing dialogue about the ways in which art continues to inform the lives of individuals and communities today.

Cas Holmes trained in fine art and currently works with textiles and mixed media. She is the author of several books for Batsford Publications including *Stitch Stories* (2015) and *Textile Landscape: Painting with Cloth* (2018). As part of her practice Holmes works on community collaborations developing a range of projects based on environmental themes from the natural and observed world. The transient nature of Holmes' work and process underpins her compulsion to engage with our built and natural landscapes—with people and place. The overlooked details of daily life which reveal commonalities across communities continue to inform her particular take on the world.



Detail of work in progress © Cas Holmes 2019

*'The opportunity to work with and be mentored by the Gypsy Maker 4 project allows me to pause to reflect on my identity and mixed heritage. With migration, changes in our working lives and increasing opportunities to travel, certainties about who we are and our place in the world is in flux.'* Cas Holmes

*'I am very excited that the work by Cas Holmes and Dan Turner will be exhibited in the Rug Art Gallery in Queen St in the centre of Cardiff in March and April next year. Many thanks to The Romani Cultural & Arts Company for organising it.'* Jenny Rathbone, Aelod Cynulliad | Assembly Member

*'Here at RUG we are very pleased to exhibit new artworks by Cas Holmes and Dan Turner as part of the Gypsy Maker 4 project. We look forward to expanding the reach of the works and our gallery through this collaboration with The Romani Cultural & Arts Company in 2020.'* John Abell, Director, RUG.

The Romani Cultural & Arts Company invites you along to see the works at the opening of this new exhibition by Cas Holmes on the evening of Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March.

