

New Dimensions:

Contemporary Art Inspired by Hidden Collections 5 May – 20 September 2016



New Dimensions is a collaborative project between regional Artists and the Museum of Somerset, where rarely seen objects are brought to life as the inspiration for new contemporary works. Originally exhibited at the Museum of Somerset, the Artists have once again reinterpreted their works for exhibition here at Musgrove Park.

The Museum's stores at the Somerset Heritage Centre, on the edge of Taunton, are home to the county's vast collections of archives, historic books and museum objects. These collections are usually only accessible to researchers and for academic study. Through this innovative partnership between Artists and Museum Curators, these hidden objects and stories are brought back to life through the creation of new works.

Purple Ribbon by Jacy Wall

The exhibition features work by six local artists: Jenny Graham, painter and printmaker; Chris Dunseath, sculptor; Jacy Wall, textile artist and printmaker; Laura Aish, filmmaker and sound artist; Ralph Hoyte, declamatory poet, and Richard Tomlinson, photographer and filmmaker. Among the collections that captured their imaginations are Roman jewellery, Bronze Age axes, Victorian and Edwardian insect and plant collections, postcards, and machinery from

Somerset's farming, industrial and domestic past.



Cream Spot Tiger Moth by Jenny Graham



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