

FLARE

Exhibition Catalogue

RUBY BELLAMY
KAYLEIGH BROOKS
LILY ROLFE

BLACKFIELD CREATIVES | WISBECH GALLERY

Welcome to ‘Flare’ an exhibition bringing together the work of emerging artists Ruby Bellamy, Kayleigh Brooks and Lily Rolfe. The trio have curated this show to demand attention, through insight into processes, expression, and colour.

A flare can be a signal, a call, or a demand for attention. Through this exhibition, Ruby, Kayleigh and Lily, have brought together their distinct approaches to ask for a moment of pause and acknowledgement. This encounter offers a unique insight into their practices and experiences, with their work meeting for a moment in time to explore similar interests in memory, materiality and sense of self.

Thank you to the Blackfield Creatives Team for supporting ‘Flare’ and hosting the artists at Wisbech Gallery.

INTRO

Ruby Rose Bellamy is a visual artist based in Fenland; she graduated from Norwich University of the Arts in 2024. In 2026, Ruby received a Norfolk & Norwich Festival Young Creatives Bursary for the development of her ‘Cut From The Same Cloth’ Project.

Her creative practice focuses on celebrating handiwork, particularly quilt making and embroidery. Drawing inspiration from the home, her sense of self, and local landscapes, Ruby uses her work to record connections from nature to what she thinks and feels.
Ruby is also interested in what she sees when her eyes are closed, with an interest in phosphenes and documenting these images which are only for a short time by one person.



RUBY BELLAMY

Kayleigh Brooks is an emerging artist from Wisbech. Her work explores the instability of human contact and loneliness through large scale text works and figurative paintings.
Her current work draws on sex, substance abuse and human touch. Brooks explores how we romanticise what we cannot quite reach and how fleeting moments become fragmented memories. Her oil paintings show how human contact can be tender as well as compulsive, transactional, destructive or performative. This instability is how the work manifests itself into reconstructed encounters whether they are romanticised or distorted.

In this new body of work, Brooks explores the memories and sensations associated with nightlife: moments of touch, flashes of light, substance and brief encounters. These fragments of experience manifest in a series of paintings that capture the intensity and ambiguity of the night.
Everyday objects associated with pub and club culture like lighters and drinks become statement motifs, alongside objects that suggest violence or evoke joy. Reflecting the cyclical nature of ecstasy. Brooks also draws on themes of fetishism, rendering objects with a sultry, luxurious quality that feels both seductive and uncanny.

KAYLEIGH BROOKS

Lily Rolfe is a portrait artist based in Norfolk who works primarily with oil paint and collage. Within her work, Lily's main interest is how she can portray emotion in moments of stress or anxiety. Collage is used within her work to physically represent how events and emotions can layer up to result in an emotional outcome. When possible, Lily also uses this to include fabrics, clothing, and images that are relevant to the sitter.



LILY ROLFE

ARTWORK LIST



1. Waiting
Lily Rolfe

Mixed Media
42.5 x 42.5 cm
Not For Sale



2. Rodeo
Kayleigh Brooks

Screenprint
43.2 x 53.4 cm
Not For Sale



3. Plead in Red
Kayleigh Brooks

Screenprint
43.2 x 53.4 cm
Not For Sale



4. Are You Having A Good Time?
Kayleigh Brooks

Oil Painting
70 x 100 cm
£450



5. Sitting
Ruby Bellamy

Monoprint
27.5 x 27.5 cm
£80



6. Flightpath (Pigeon)
Ruby Bellamy

Charcoal
43 x 30.5 cm
£70



7. Big Heart
Ruby Bellamy

Textile
64.5 x 73.6 cm
Not For Sale



8. Untitled Postcard 01
Ruby Bellamy

Textile
28 x 32.6 cm
£60



9. Overwhelmed
Lily Rolfe

Oil Painting
61 x 91.4 cm
£550



10. Distort
Lily Rolfe

Oil Painting
30 x 42 cm
£90



11. Far Away
Lily Rolfe

Oil Painting
30 x 30 cm
£100



12. Contemplation
Lily Rolfe

Oil Painting
50 x 50 cm
£350



13. Shadow
Lily Rolfe

Oil Painting
60 x 60 cm
£400



14. Untitled
Kayleigh Brooks

Oil Painting
150 x 100 cm
£600



15. Fed Up
Lily Rolfe

Mixed Media
50 x 50 cm
£400



16. Sombre
Lily Rolfe

Mixed Media
150 x 200 cm
£1,500



17. Stress
Lily Rolfe

Oil Painting
21 x 11 x 14 cm
£500



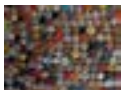
18. Head
Lily Rolfe

Mixed Media
26.5 x 19 x 13 cm
£70



19. Hand
Lily Rolfe

Mixed Media
21 x 11 x 14 cm
£50



20. Buttons
Ruby Bellamy

Mixed Media
Variable Size
Not For Sale



21. Phosphenes 02
Ruby Bellamy

Textile
27.4 x 27.5 cm
£350



22. Rock Fall
Ruby Bellamy

Charcoal
27.7 x 27.7 cm
£60



23. Phosphenes 01
Ruby Bellamy

Ink
37.7 x 37.7 cm
£500



24. Rock Fall
Ruby Bellamy

Charcoal
27.7 x 27.7 cm
£60



25. Burn
Ruby Bellamy

Charcoal
27.7 x 27.7 cm
£60



26. Sprinkles
Ruby Bellamy

Textile
27.4 x 27.4 cm
£250



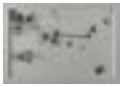
27. Willows
Ruby Bellamy

Textile
37.7 x 37.7 cm
£350



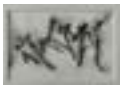
28. Headache
Ruby Bellamy

Pencil Drawing
27.4 x 27.4 cm
£125



29. Shrubs
Ruby Bellamy

Monoprint
27.7 x 27.7 cm
£80



30. Twigs
Ruby Bellamy

Monoprint
27.7 x 27.7 cm
£90



31. Untitled Sketches
Ruby Bellamy

Pencil Drawing
30.5 x 42.8 cm
£200



32. Red
Ruby Bellamy

Textile
30.5 x 42.8 cm
£175



33. Wilds
Ruby Bellamy

Monoprint
27.7 x 27.7 cm
£80



34. Untitled Postcard 02
Ruby Bellamy

Textile
27.6 x 32.6 cm
£80



35. Flight Path (Gulls in the Wind)
Ruby Bellamy

Charcoal
30.5 x 42.8 cm
£70



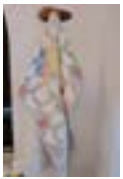
36. Untitled Postcard 03
Ruby Bellamy

Textile
27.7 x 27.7 cm
£65



37. Through Blue Quilt
Ruby Bellamy

Textile
113 x 150 cm
Not For Sale



38. Home Quilt
Ruby Bellamy

Textile
Variable Size
Not For Sale



39. Garden Quilt
Ruby Bellamy

Textile
Variable Size
Not For Sale



40. Phosphenes 03
Ruby Bellamy

Textile
27.7 x 27.7 cm
£400



41. I Wish I Was Bulletproof
Kayleigh Brooks

Acrylic
101 x 81 cm
£500



42. Just Stay With Me
Kayleigh Brooks

Acrylic
93 x 122 cm
£550



43. Happy Hour
Kayleigh Brooks

Oil Painting
28 x 35.5
£200



44. Across the Bar
Kayleigh Brooks

Oil Painting
28 x 35.5
£200



45. 241
Kayleigh Brooks

Oil Painting
28 x 35.5
£200



46. Warm Up 1
Kayleigh Brooks

Oil Painting
20.4 x 25.2 cm
£80



47. Warm Up 2
Kayleigh Brooks

Oil Painting
20.4 x 25.2 cm
£80



48. Warm Up 3
Kayleigh Brooks

Oil Painting
20.4 x 25.2 cm
£80



49. Flaire L'amour
Kayleigh Brooks

Oil Painting
91 x 61 cm
£400



50. Saturday Night Special
Kayleigh Brooks

Oil Painting
100 x 150 cm
£600



51. Vice
Kayleigh Brooks

Acrylic Painting
60.5 x 60.5 cm
£200



52. You're Joking
Kayleigh Brooks

Oil Painting
20.5 x 25.5 cm
£200



53. Framed
Lily Rolfe

Oil Painting
50 x 75 cm
Not For Sale



54. Scrappy
Ruby Bellamy

Textile
80 x 125 cm
Not For Sale



55. Through the Fields
Ruby Bellamy

Textile
28 x 22.8 cm
£80



56. No Depth Just Filth
Kayleigh Brooks

Oil Painting
60 x 90 cm
£400



57. Smoking Area Antics
Kayleigh Brooks

Oil paintings
20.5 x 25.5 cm
£120

As we celebrate 'Flare' we are incredibly grateful to the Blackfield Creatives Team and Volunteers for hosting us in Wisbech Gallery.
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Finally, to everyone who visits 'Flare', your support during our first major exhibition is greatly appreciated and we hope to see you at the next one!

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