

Hester Jones

British, born 1973, St Albans, UK

Education

2008 - 2009	MA Photography, London College of Communication
2006 - 2007	Postgraduate Certificate: Professional Photography, Central St Martins College of Art & Design
1997 - 2002	BA (hons) 2:1 Modern Languages (English & Italian) University of Westminster
1999 - 2000	University of Bologna (DAMS / Erasmus) Italy

Selected Exhibitions & Projects

2014

Take Me To Your Heaven

April, venue T.B.C. Exhibition with Elisa Noguera in response to the 'domesticated'.

2012

Health & Wellbeing Week. Cockpit Theatre London

19th- 23rd Nov, 6 portraits from *A Show of Hands* of people living with dementia.

Slaughtered at The Smithfield Tavern as part of Photomonth 2012 East London Photography Festival. 8 Oct- 3 Nov show with artist Sylvie Goy of conceptual and social documentary works inspired by Smithfield Meat Market.

Arts 4 Dementia London Arts Challenge / Inspire 2012 programme. Facilitator of 8 summer photography workshops to people with early stage dementia and carers at the **Photographers' Gallery**. My workshops and ideas will be incorporated into educational resource materials. Other A4D workshops held at Wallace Collection, Kenwood House, Sadlers Wells, Dulwich Picture Gallery, Tricycle Theatre etc.

2011

The Body Project at Glasshouse Gallery/Herbert Museum Coventry

23-29th October. Curated by Dr Lucy Aphramor, co-founder of Health at Every Size, my work *The Venus Effect*, an interactive participatory piece exhibited to engage schools and educational groups.

Body Culture at Bath Royal Literary and Scientific Institute

Organized by Kerrie O'Connell and Dr Emma Rich 15-29th September. My work *The Venus Effect* was part of an exhibition of works made in response to the researches of Dr Rich et al and the negative relationships children and young women have to their bodies.

Woman as Photographer: Picturing Life as a Woman

Mpls Photo Center Minneapolis – USA – March 11th – April 17th.

Juried Exhibition (Christina Chang) of international women photographers.

2010

Home Truths at Brighton Photo Fringe

Non-Fiction Together Our Space Gallery, London

Slidenite Krakow Photomonth, Poland

Caged Bird Sings Bare/not Projects, Crypt Gallery, St Pancras, London

A Pocketful of Magic Lord Mayor's Parlor, Westminster, London

Publications

Qualitative Methods in Physical Culture Dr Emma Rich, Kerry O'Connell, 2012.
ACurator blog, March 2013.
Birbeck University Studies in the Maternal scholarly e-journal, Vol 3 issue 2, 2011
Mom Egg online literary magazine New York USA, 2011
Woman as Photographer: Documenting Life as a Woman Mpls Photo Centre, made in USA, 2011
Reviewfinder 2009/10 Viewfinder Gallery, Catalogue 2010
Brighton Photo Fringe Catalogue October 2010
A Pocketful of Magic December 2009
Myths & Fairy Tales Viewfinder Catalogue, October 2009
Photomonth 09 East London Photo Festival Catalogue, October 2009
City Pictorial Magazine China 2009
British Journal of Photography Project Assistance Awards, June 2008

Fellowships, Residencies & Awards

2012 A Show of Hands

Led by **Westminster Arts' Resonate** funded by **Arts Council England, NHS, Care UK** and – an artist residency working with people living with dementia and other mental health needs at Forrester Court Care Home to produce a publication/exhibition of portraits of older people's hands with their collated life stories. The project included working with a hand reflexologist.

2012 Shortlisted for inaugural Artist-in-Residence programme at Cortinthia Hotel London, by Arts Co, selected as 1 of 20 artists from over 100 long-listed from British art schools.

2011 Creative Enterprise Awards short-listed for **Best Social Enterprise or Ethical Business at ECCA University of the Arts London** for work that empowers children and young people with SEN and other mental health needs through film and photography projects and career opportunities.

2011 MaMSIE Maternal Studies Department Birbeck University Runner Up Prize Maternal Subjectivities: Digital Media Competition, presented at Care and Labour Conference University of Birbeck, May 2011

2010 Art Slant Juried Winner

2010 Salon Contemporary Artist of the Week

2010 Resonate led by **Westminster Arts** funded by **Westminster NHS** trained with 5 other artists, selected from over 200 applicants, to help improve the lives of people with mental health problems including dementia. Included working in various residential care homes and day-centres, and collaborative photography & drawing workshops with artist Peter Wardle at the **National Portrait Gallery** Archives and training at the **Royal Academy**.

2007 Westminster Arts Photography Bursary Award – to realize participatory photography project, *Dream World*, with 30 primary school children in London, and solo exhibition at Curzon Cinema Soho.

Commissions

2011 Body Culture Project -The Venus Effect an interactive participatory artwork.

Commissioned to make work in response to the researches of Dr Rich et al at the Universities of Bath and Loughborough, about childhood under surveillance, eating disorders, and the negative relationships children and young women have to their bodies.

2009 A Pocketful of Magic Westminster Arts Commission collaboration with writer Dzifa Benson, choreographer Greta Mendez, and older people in London, to realize photographic and literary publication inspired by fairy tales. Project involved working with **The Wallace Collection** London.

Facilitator & Photography Tutor

2013 Open Age Arts / Social Facilitator and Outreach Worker, with organization that promotes positive ageing and wellbeing in Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea, Westminster, Hammersmith & Fulham.

2012 Arts 4 Dementia at Photographers' Gallery London Leader of 8 weekly workshops to people diagnosed with early stage dementia and carers. Photographer of all workshops in major London galleries and museums including Royal Academy, National Portrait Gallery, Dulwich Picture Gallery, Putney Library, Wallace Collection, Leighton House, Prince of Wales Theatre, Cadogan Hall.

2012 Mind-in-Mid-Herts – Photography tutor, HAFLS (Hertfordshire Adult Family and Learning Service).

2007-2012 HCS Careers Ltd Working with various mainstream & SEN school including delivery of Creative & Media Diploma and Opportunity Days each summer facilitating Photography career workshops to kids from schools in Herts with SEN.

Public Talks & Presentations

2012 Photographers' Gallery London Lunchtime talks in café about photography made at Smithfield Meat Market.

2012 Cadogan Hall presentation of Arts 4 Dementia Photographers' Gallery project to public, service users and providers.

Collections

The Sirrell Collection Westminster Arts London

MaMSIE University of Birbeck, Digital Archive

The University of Bath, UK