ADRIAN SASSOON

Anna Barlow

Curriculum Vitae



Born 1982, Bristol, England

2002-2005 Bath Spa University College - BA (Hons) Ceramics

Working in London

Anna Barlow transforms ephemeral sweet treats like ice cream and cakes into enduring ceramic art, exploring the contrast between transient edibles and permanent ceramics. Using traditional techniques such as mould making, slip casting, press moulding, and hand modelling, along with tools like an icing bag and scoop, she replicates the textures and forms of these confections.

High-fired porcelain mimics the texture of wafers, while a silky glaze achieves a melting effect. Barlow's work reflects a deep fascination with the rituals and cultural significance of sweet foods, revealing themes of competition, anxiety, consumerism, and performance.

The rituals and culture around eating sweet food continue to captivate her, as an undercurrent of competitivity and emotional complexity often lurks beneath the surface of a three-tiered ombré buttercream piñata cake

Solo Exhibitions

- 2019 Sandbox, Whistleblower Gallery, Brighton
- 2017 Spoiled, Craft Central, London
- 2015 Anna Barlow, Landmark Shopping Centre, Hong Kong
- 2012 Savouring the Remnants, Bicha Gallery, London

Selected Group Exhibitions

- Adrian Sassoon, Design Miami, Miami Beach, USA
 Homo Faber: The Journey of Life, Fondazione Giorgio Cini, Venice, Italy
 Food as Origin, Twilight Gallery London
- 2023 House of Pots, Chelsea, London
- 2022 It's a Summer Thing, Themes and Variations, London 106 Doughnuts for Wedgwood, Fiskars, Finland
- 2019 *Exposition Céramiques Gourmandes*, Bernardaud Foundation, Limoges, France Window Display, Last Tuesday Society, London Useful/Beautiful; Why Craft Matters, Harewood House, Leeds
- 2018 Collect, Cynthia Corbett Gallery, Saatchi Gallery, London
- 2017 *Ceramic Art London*, Central St Martins, London Double Trouble, Made in Britaly, London
- 2016 Group Show, Museum of Ice Cream, New York Palm Springs Art Fair, Rebecca Hossack Gallery, California, USA Group Show, Rebecca Hossack Gallery, Charlotte Street, London
- 2015 Affordable Art Fair, Rebecca Hossack Gallery, Hong Kong Affordable Art Fair, Rebecca Hossack Gallery, Hong Kong Sydney Contemporary Art Fair, Rebecca Hossack Gallery, Australia Lapada Art and Antiques Fair, Rebecca Hossack Gallery, London Art Market Hamptons, Rebecca Hossack Gallery, Bridgehampton, USA Gyeonggi International Ceramic Biennale, Seul, South Korea
- 2014 India Art Fair, Scream booth, New Delhi, India
- 2013 Summer Exhibition, Scream, London Deception: Ceramics and Imitation, Victoria and Albert Museum, London London Art Fair, Bicha Gallery, London Collect, Saatchi Gallery, Bicha Gallery, London
- 2012 Affordable Art Fair, Bicha Gallery, Singapore Affordable Art Fair, Bicha Gallery, London Affordable Art Fair, Bicha Gallery, Stockholm, Sweden Summer Show, Royal Academy of Arts, London Ceramic Art London Fair, London. Affordable Art Fair, Bicha Gallery, New York, USA

Public Collections

Museum of Ceramics, Talavera De La Reina, Spain