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Northumbria University and Tyneside Cinema announce new graduate Artists in Residence

Tyneside Cinema and Northumbria University are delighted to announce the new Graduate Artists in Residence, as part of a flourishing creative partnership between the two organisations.

Mani Kambo and Hope Stebbing, who both graduated from Northumbria University in 2014, will be developing a new body of work, which combines their individual practices in moving image and sculpture during their residency at Newcastle's independent cinema. The residencies will last from

19 October 2015 to 8 January 2016 with their final installation shown as part of Tyneside Cinema Gallery's 2016 programme.

Since graduating from the BA Fine Art degree at Northumbria University in 2014, they have both spent the last year working from within the Graduate Studio Northumbria where they have been further developing their final degree shows and their practice. Tyneside Cinema's Graduate Residency programme will enable the students to work on a dedicated moving image and sculpture installation with support from staff at Tyneside Cinema, as well as use of an artist studio and the venue's state-of-the-art technical equipment.

Hope Stebbing said, "We are both excited and honoured to have been given this opportunity by Tyneside Cinema and Northumbria University. I'm looking forward to working in an unfamiliar medium and creating a new body of work."

Mani Kambo added, "I am also looking forward to working collaboratively and having dedicated time to my own practice. As well as access to both Tyneside Cinema and Northumbria University's excellent facilities and the chance to work closely with staff at both institutions."

The Tyneside Cinema Graduate Residency is designed to support the professional development of young and emerging artists working within the moving image. The initiative is part of a wider partnership between Northumbria University and Tyneside Cinema that aims to develop and promote arts and culture in the North East.

Northumbria University Pro Vice-Chancellor (Business and Engagement), Lucy Winskell, said: "I'm thrilled that graduates Mani Kambo and Hope Stebbing have become the second Artists in Residence at Tyneside Cinema. Like last year's inaugural Artist in Residence Callum Costello, I'm sure they will make the most of this fantastic opportunity."

Lucy added: "Through partnership working with organisations like Tyneside Cinema, Northumbria will continue to invest in emerging creative talent to boost the economic, social and cultural development of the region and create new ways to inspire and engage students at the University."

Jamie Steane, Principal Lecturer in Media and Communication Design, said: “I’m very excited about Hope and Mani’s winning proposal. The possibility of having a sculptor and a film & performance based artist working collaboratively to create a participative experience for visitors to the Tyneside will be a genuine thrill. The sculpture and projection is an ambitious idea that invites the viewer to become an active participant. It’s the perfect project for Tyneside’s Fourth screen exhibition space, and typifies the ambition that both Northumbria University and Tyneside had for residency.”

Elisabetta Fabrizi, Tyneside Cinema Curator of Artists’ Films said, “We’re delighted to announce Mani and Hope as our Graduate Artists in Residence. Their proposal really captured our imagination and we can’t wait to help them develop their ideas and work over the coming months.”

The Tyneside Cinema Graduate Residency is part of a learning and participation strand that has a focus on identifying and nurturing young talent. Both Northumbria University and Tyneside Cinema are committed to developing and nurturing new and emerging artists.

To find out more about Mani Kambo and Hope Stebbing’s residency and Tyneside Cinema’s Arts Programme, including exhibitions, events and opportunities for young people, please visit www.tynesidecinema.co.uk/art

To find out more about studying Art and Media at Northumbria University, sign up to its open day on 24 October or 28 November by visiting www.northumbria.ac.uk/openday

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