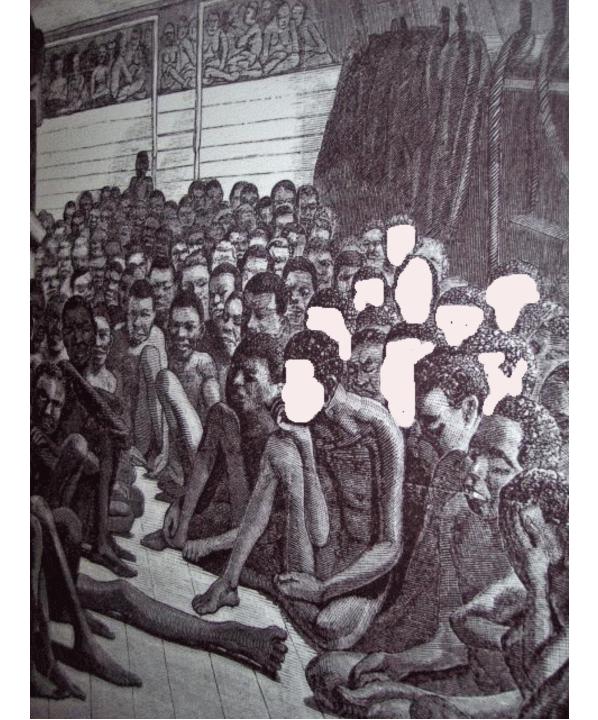
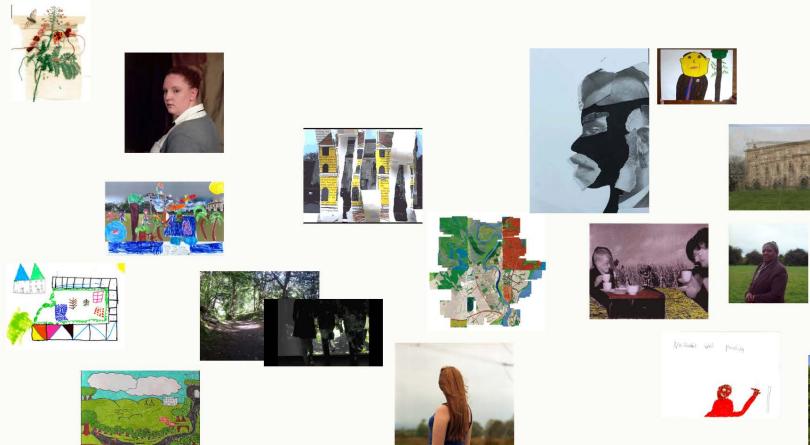
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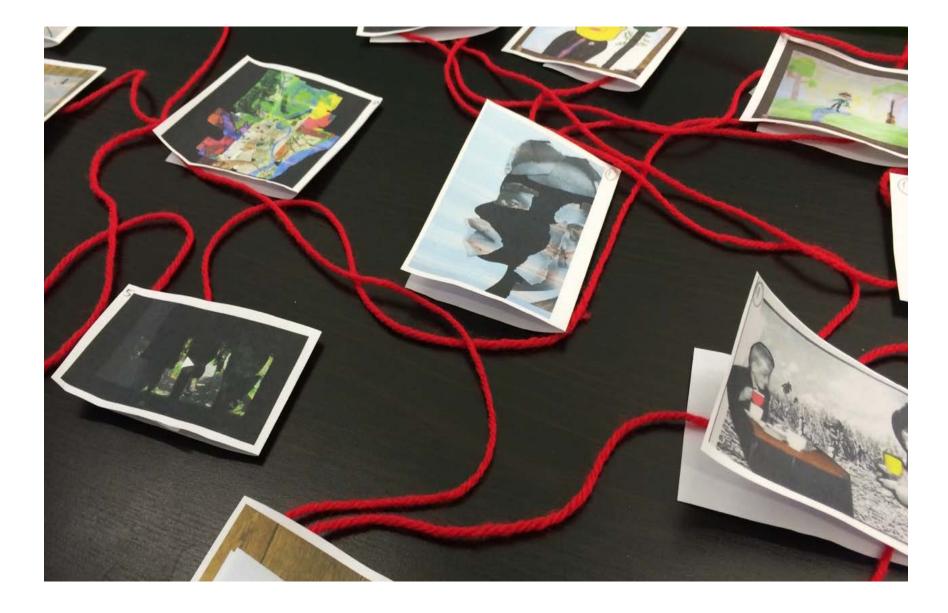




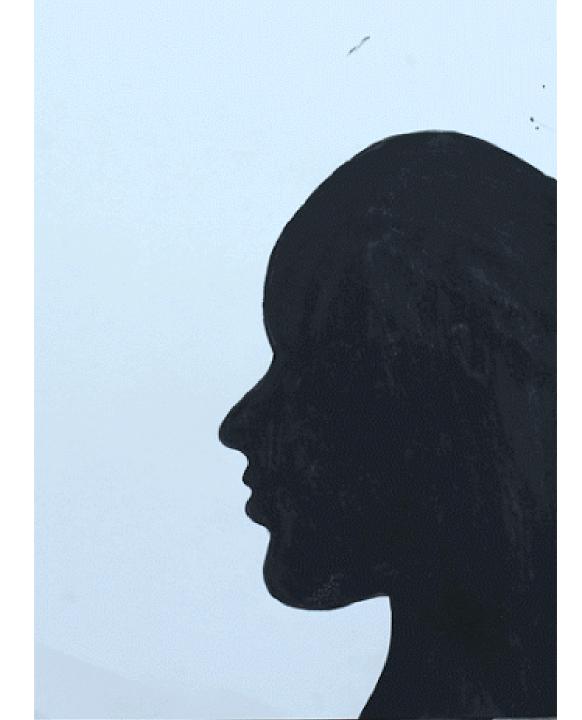
















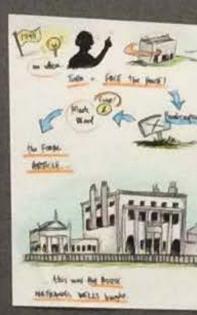




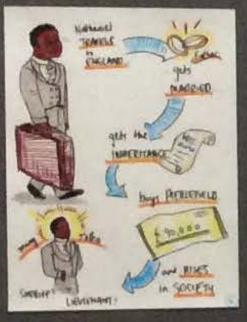
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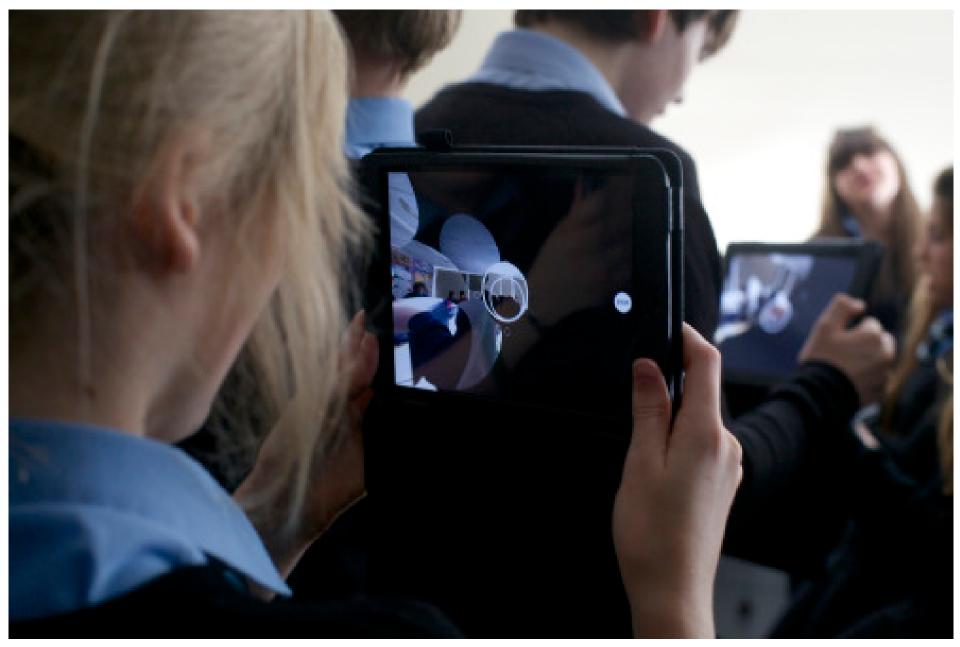


































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Emma Damen-Thomas Chapter, Market Rd, Cardiff, CF5 1QE

March 2014

Emma

I would like to thank you for helping make the Anti Slavery Awareness raising event held at Ty Hywel on the 11th March 2014 a success.

The event provided the opportunity for me to highlight and raise awareness of slavery in Wales to Welsh Ministers, Assembly Members and guests. I am committed to ensuring we make Wales hostile to slavery and provide the best possible support to survivors.

Please pass on my thanks to members of Ffotogallery for their hard work in making the event a success, and for their efforts in helping us tackle slavery in Wales.

Lesley Griffiths AC/I AM

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Hear Our Voice Event Invitation

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6th November 2014 11am-12.15pm Wales Millenium Centre Cardiff Bay

The "Hear Our Voice" event will include an exhibition of artwork, short films and performances which will be officially opened by the Deputy Minister for Health, Vaughan Gething AM.

Refreshments will be provided

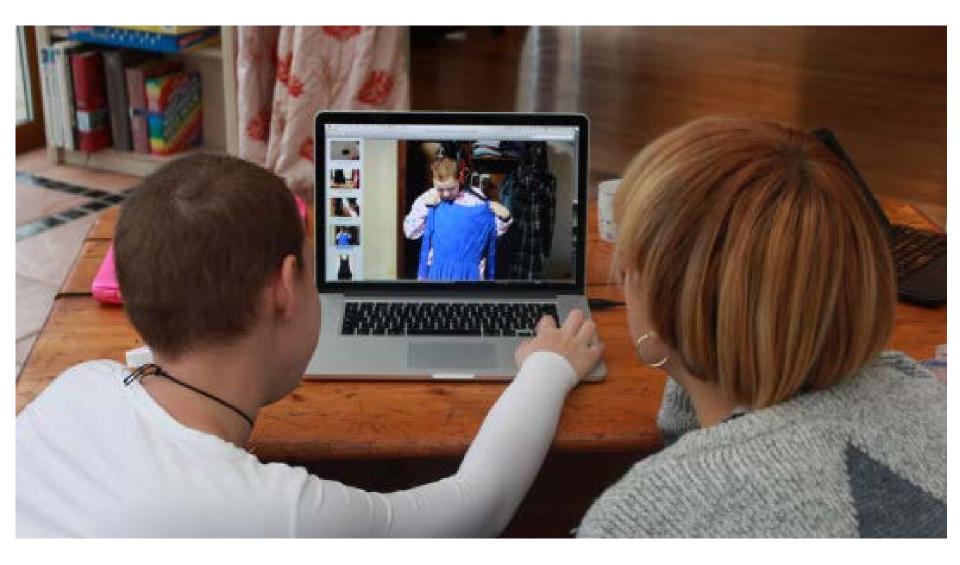
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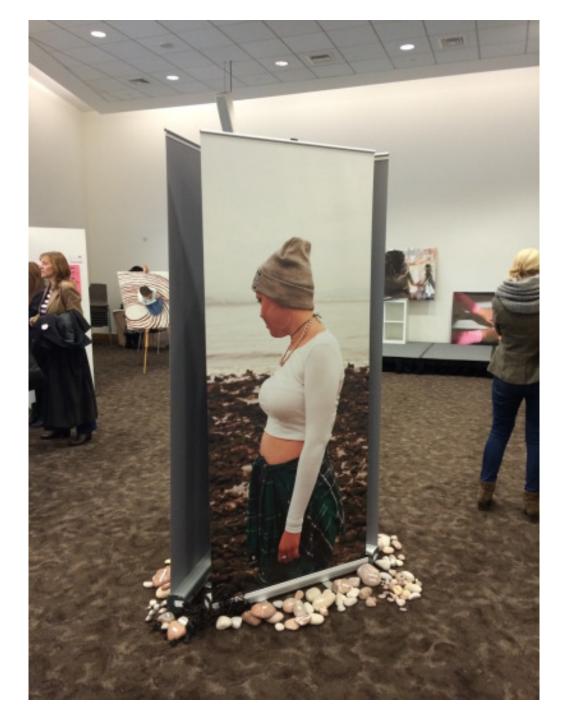












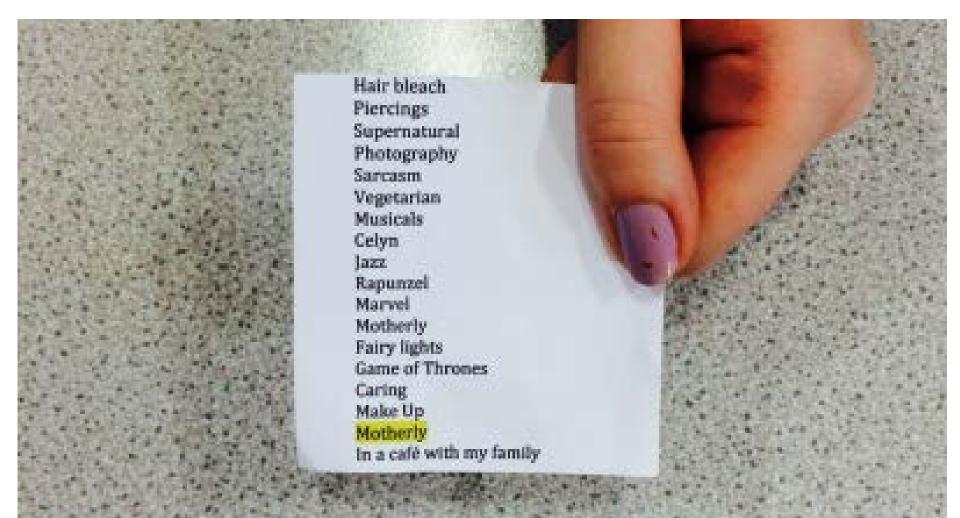
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"The young people involved in the project have all experienced modern day slavery and sexual exploitation and were able to reflect on their own circumstances and similarities between their stories and Nathaniel's."

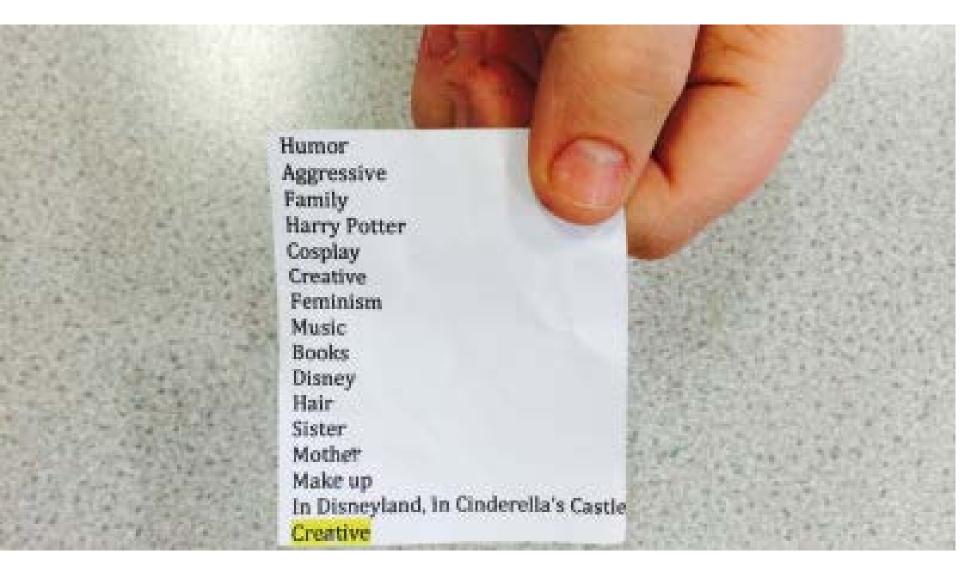


"The young people who attended the sessions were disengaged with education and had had limited opportunities to work in the arts or use photography. This project provided a tremendous opportunity for the young people to express themselves through the images they created."

















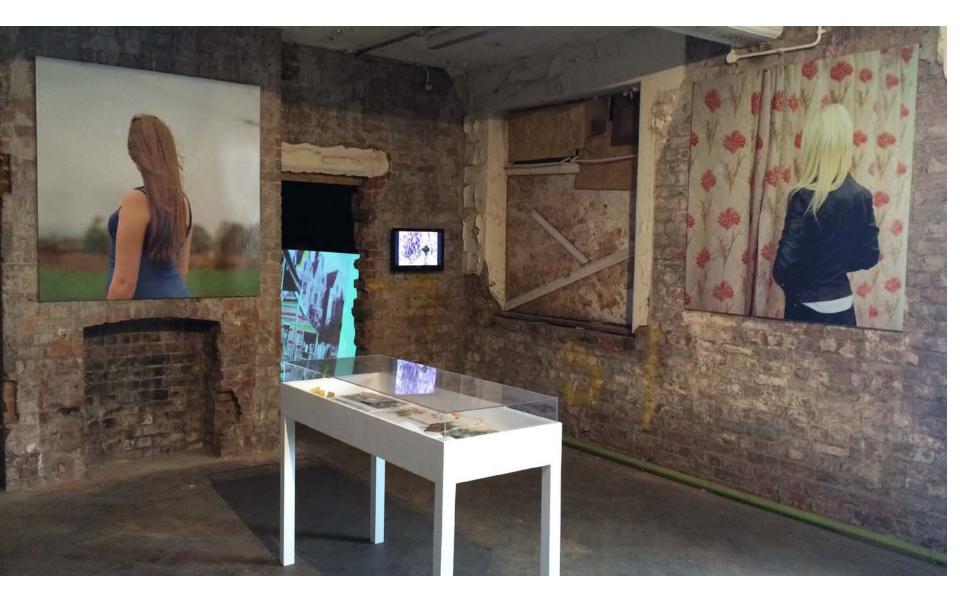






















Educational Resources

Resources are provided in PDF form.

Hidden Presence aims to extend people's understanding of Nathaniel Wells, an 18/19th Century Welsh nobleman of mixed heritage who was son of a white Welsh plantation owner and black enslaved woman.

The project is exploring the importance of his life in the context of Wales today, looking at a range of issues linked to individual's cultural heritage, their identity, sense of belonging, citizenship and what it means to be Welsh.

These learning resources aim to give an insight into how the project was approached, the processes used to produce the work, and the learning outcomes for the participants. For further information email clare@ffotogallery.org.

BARNARDOS SERAF SERVICE 🕹

Theme: Identity and Exploitation

This workshop focuses on self-expression and identity through photography, culminating in a series of portraits that can be printed in a self-publish style book, or exhibited.

Learning resource – Barnardos Seraf Service

The Participants

In partnership with the Barnardos Cymru Seraf Service, which works with young people who are at risk of or who have experienced sexual exploitation, the project worked with three young women aged 14-17 for 3 consecutive days.

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Aims

- Through exploration of Nathaniel Wells story young people learn about identity, exploitation, trafficking and to reflect on their own circumstances
- Learn new practical creative skills and boost self esteem and confidence
- Help vulnerable young people focus on aspirations and looking to the future
- Give access to opportunities for self- expression, understanding of own experiences and self
- Improve visual literacy and practical skills through photography

Planning

Reflections on this image



This image was made by a young person from a school in Chepstow as part of the Hidden Presence project with artist facilitator Eva Sajovic. The project used the life of former enslaved African Nathaniel Wells as the starting point for exploring place and identity in challenging ways. I don't know the name of the young artist or what conversations were going on when they made it, or if there were any visual references they had in mind when it was created. It immediately reminded me of anthropological photography from the late 19th early 20th century, and their brutal forensic approach to portrait photography, the whole purpose of which was the "scientific" specimen analysis of human types. The montage effect of this image however gives it a much more contemporary feel, a composite that visually argues against the fallacy of the scientific conceit of using photography to further a racist ideology. This montage portrait is unapologetically modern,