

I miss you FRANK OCEAN

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I miss you FRANK OCEAN brings together the work of Cora Sehgal Cuthbert and Mitchell Vowles, who are recipients of Acme Graduate Awards in partnership with City & Guilds of London School of Art, Jonathan Harvey and University of the Arts London.

Working closely beside one another Cora and Mitch recognised the commonalities in their individual practices. They both look at their past, their personal narratives and cultural identities, transforming these memories into something new.

Frank Ocean's music is romantic, sentimental and nostalgic. It seems to go back in time, revisiting recollections, yet it also manages to transform the past into something contemporary.

By assigning a higher status to sentimental moments and objects 'I miss you FRANK OCEAN' aims to mobilise nostalgia to sacralise the present. The act of buying a new pair of retro trainers is a key gesture in the show, prompting the viewer to question our relationship to brands, pop culture, and time.

The show marks the end of their Acme Graduate Awards and is a final farewell to the space they worked together in for one year.

When I think back to the time I spent in this studio I'll think about listening to Frank Ocean. I'll miss you!

I miss you FRANK OCEAN opens in conjunction with *It's Nothing New* an AWA seminar held at Auto Italia.

It's Nothing New

Friday 20 September 2019, 7-9 pm
Auto Italia, 44 Bonner Road, London E2 9JS

Retromania seems like it's here to stay, but are Mods and Skinheads just romanticised symbols of Britain's past or have these subcultures left a legacy worth looking at? Can subcultures still be subversive? How can anything be thought of as underground now that we have the instant accessibility of the internet?

'It's Nothing New' will be an informal discussion with the director of *Northern Soul*, Elaine Constantine, fashion photography producer, Marco Santucci, artist Dominic From Luton and writer Andrew Calcutt. This session has been developed by Cora Sehgal Cuthbert and Mitchell Vowles as part of their year-long Graduate Mentoring Award with Acme Studio's in partnership with City & Guilds of London School of Art, Jonathan Harvey and University of the Arts London.

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