

Lives and works in Edinburgh, Scotland.

b. 1994

## **Education**

2021-2022: MFA Fine Art, Goldsmiths University (studies interrupted)

2014-2017: Art and Philosophy BA at Dundee University (graduated with honours first class)

2012-2013: General Foundation at Leith School of Art (passed)

## **Key Projects**

*Apocalypse of Melvyn*, 2024-present

*Jimmy Mack the Shapeshifting Jester*, 2022-2024

## **Solo/Duo Exhibitions and Key Performances**

2027: (forthcoming) *Apocalypse of Melvyn*, Scott Lawrie Gallery, Edinburgh

(forthcoming) *Melvyn I-IV*, pop up performances at graveyards around Edinburgh

2025: *Royal Academy of Arts Magazine Winter Issue 169*, outdoor billboard, Edinburgh

2024: *Jokerman*, St Margaret's House, Edinburgh

*Jimmy Loves America and America Loves Jimmy*, Gravity Gallery, North Adams, Massachusetts

*JEST FEST II*, pop up performance presented by Sett Studios and part of EAF 2024, The National Monument, Calton Hill, Edinburgh

*JEST FEST I*, pop up performance presented by Sett Studios and part of EAF 2024, The Scotsman Steps, Edinburgh

2023: *Legends in the Game*, exhibition with William Sherval, Whitespace Gallery, Edinburgh

*Decoy House 2.0*, exhibition with Astrid Batts, Sett Studios, Edinburgh

2022: *Decoy House*, open house DIY exhibition with Astrid Batts, Edinburgh

2021: *Farewell My Darlings*, St. Margaret's House, Edinburgh

*Sum Poems*, 50 poetry tape-cassettes, Volk Gallery, Dundee

2020: *Nobility Pursuit*, St. Margaret's House, Edinburgh

2019: *Fenris Wolf and Ragnar Thorfinn Acts 1-3*, collaborative performances and exhibition with Daniel O'Dempsey at the Pier Arts Centre (Act 1), Stromness Academy (Act 2) and WASPS Studios (Act 3), Stromness, Orkney

## **Group Exhibitions and Other Performances**

- 2026: *There Are No Passerby's*, puppetry performance work-in-progress with Tom Johnson and Celeste John-Wood at Guava Magazine Issue 3 launch event, Lighthouse Bookshop, Edinburgh
- 2025: Commissioned to remix Faith Elliott's song 'thys creatur' from her album *dryas*.  
*Charismatic Politician Seducer of Multitudes*, live performance with Tom Johnson and Abi Lewis at *Foik Folly*, Sett Studios' multi-venue arts event with costumed procession, Edinburgh  
*Teasing Melvyn (A w.i.p Show)*, exhibition and live performances curated by McKenzie, featuring Joel Davidson, Faliraki, Frieda Ford, and Tom Johnson, Sett Studios, Edinburgh
- 2024: Feature poet at *Rock the Boat* (Push the Boat Out Poetry Festival offshoot open-mic), Summerhall, Edinburgh  
*Flawd Foiks*, Sett Studios' multi-venue arts event with costumed procession, Edinburgh
- 2023: *Flaw Foik*, Sett Studios' multi-venue arts event with costumed procession, Edinburgh  
*Jimmy Mack Follies Extracts*, Embassy Gallery Members Show's, Edinburgh  
*Jimmy Mack Follies Extracts*, GENERATORprojects' Members Show, Dundee
- 2022: *Jimmy Mack Follies*, avant-garde poetry-play, Natural Food Kafé, Edinburgh Festival Fringe  
*Fenris Wolf and Ragnar Thorfinn Act 4*, collaborative performance and exhibition with Daniel O'Dempsey, *Scotland Small?*, RSA, Edinburgh  
Premiere screening of Glen Thomson's documentary film *Orcadia: A Fenris and Ragnar Story* and Q&A, Hawthornden Lecture Theatre, RSA  
*Academy Late*, live spoken word, RSA, Edinburgh
- 2019: *Alba down to Nippon*, multi-media project (includes zine and performance), RSA  
*PEPSI 2*, group show curated by McKenzie, St. Margaret's House, Edinburgh  
*JET BABY*, theatrical public poetry reading, Annuale Festival, Royal Mile, Edinburgh  
*PEPSI GENESIS*, group show curated by McKenzie, Dock Street, Dundee
- 2018: *CONCORD NUDIST*, theatrical storytelling and exhibition, RSA  
*ECSTASY AB INITIO*, (unauthorised) poetry reading, Scottish National Gallery, Edinburgh  
*RSA New Contemporaries*, exhibition and live performances, RSA
- 2017: *RSA Open Exhibition*, RSA  
*Best of Degree Show*, Six Foot Gallery, Glasgow  
*Degree Show*, Duncan and Jordanstone College of Art and Design, Dundee  
*Trans-Fixed Live Performance Event*, GENERATORprojects, Dundee

## Awards, Grants and Residencies

- 2024: Creative Scotland: Open Fund for Individuals  
*Center of Gravity Residency*, artist residency, Walkaway House, North Adams, Massachusetts
- 2023: VACMA Award  
*Taking Time*, artist residency with The Museum of Loss and Renewal, Collemacchia, Italy
- 2021: Department of Art Bursary, Goldsmiths University  
Scottish International Educational Trust grant

*Soapworks Residencies*, two day mini-residency hosted by Hidden Door, Edinburgh

2019: Bursary awarded from RSA Residencies for Scotland scheme to undertake a residency at the Pier Arts Centre, Orkney to focus on a collaborative project with Daniel O'Dempsey

2018: RSA New Contemporaries Carnegie Scholarship for Painting

2017: RSA New Contemporaries 2018 Selected Artist

James Guthrie Orchar Memorial Art Prize, Dundee University

### **Notable Collections**

Pier Arts Centre, Orkney

Dundee University, Dundee

### **Key Publications**

2024: *Jimmy Mack the Shapeshifting Jester*, Red Hot Pecker Press, Edinburgh

### **Other Selected Publications**

2026: *Guava Magazine Issue 3*, Guava Magazine, Edinburgh

2025: *PINK50*, independent print zine, Edinburgh

2024: *Outcrop Poetry Issue 2*, Outcrop Magazine, Edinburgh

2023: *Wrong Directions Issue 1*, Typewronger Books, Edinburgh

2022: *Bollock Naked by Dr. Jock Howie*, self-published poetry zine, Edinburgh

2021: *Grace and Consistency*, riso-printed poetry pamphlet, Dundee/Edinburgh

*Littoral Magazine Issue 3: Spring Equinox*, online magazine

2020: *All You Can Eat*, collaborative zine curated and edited by Alex Weir

2019: *Alba down to Nippon*, self-published illustrated poem zine, Edinburgh

*Polemical Zine Issue 11: Social*, online zine, Canada

2019: *New River Press Yearbook 2018-19*, New River Press, Fitrovia, London

2018: *The Celestial Midnight Bar*, self-published, Edinburgh

*Untitled Poetry Collection*, self-published, Dundee

2017: *Prose Poems*, self-published, Dundee