

Big screen debut for students and staff

A selection of the best animation and video work by students and staff from Bournemouth University (BU) and University College of the Arts Bournemouth (UCAB - formerly the Arts Institute) will feature on the big screen in the Bournemouth Gardens this week.

The work will be screened from:

- 11.00 am to 1.30 pm on Thursday and Friday, 2-3 July
- 12.00 noon to 1.30 pm on Saturday and Sunday, 4-5 July

The big screen is located near the Bournemouth Eye balloon.

A public picnic (bring your own food) with an opportunity to meet some of the artists who contributed to the programme is scheduled on Saturday from 11.30 am to 1.15 pm.

Amongst the work to feature is animation and video by Stephen Bell, Lizzie Sykes, Emma Lomax, Clare Mangan, Todd Setter and Dean Wright from BU and Candace Davies, Laura Jefcoate, Hazel Barstow and the Animation Department from UCAB.

“These screenings provide an excellent opportunity for local people and visitors to Bournemouth to experience the creativity and talent fostered here in Dorset,” said a University spokesperson.

“The University and University College both have global reputations for animation and media that extend well beyond Britain,” said Charles Elder on behalf of BU. “To have the collective creativity and talent of our students and staff featured publicly in Bournemouth is a rare treat and one we hope can be repeated again in future.”

The screening is curated by SCAN, the BU-based agency which aims to develop media arts in the South of England. Directed by Helen Sloan and located in the Media School, SCAN works in partnership with a broad range of individuals, groups and institutions

nationally and internationally to commission innovative projects that cross and merge disciplines drawn from arts, media, humanities, science and technology.

Notes to Editors:

1. BU is the UK's Number One New University (first place among all institutions that became universities since 1992) according to The Guardian University Guide 2009 & 2010 (www.guardian.co.uk/education).
2. In the 2008 [Research Assessment Exercise](#) (RAE) BU is the fourth most improved university in the UK for the quality of its research (according to *Times Higher Education*).

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