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Turns on the Tarmac | Adam Hedley, Joanne Hummel-Newell and Nick Jensen

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Private view: Thursday 24th August 2017, 6-9pm

Sid Motion Gallery is pleased to present a group exhibition, *Turns on the Tarmac*, which includes new works by **Adam Hedley, Joanne Hummel-Newell and Nick Jensen**

The exhibition title is taken from one of Nick Jensen's new paintings but also refers to the way in which all the artists in the exhibition use painting and collage to convey their personal experiences of landscape in an abstract sense. The three artists are influenced by their urban surroundings - it is this more metropolitan slant on conventional landscape painting that the exhibition aims to explore.

While pointing towards the physicality of gesture, movement and texture, the title nods to the more painterly aspects of the medium of collage. The continual rearrangement of forms within collage gives these works a sense of constant activity. The surfaces are always shifting, with new decisions being informed by the traces of previous ones.

Driven by the instantaneous and forever changing concerns of consciousness, the effect of all the works in the exhibition compile a live map; where new terrain emerges against the disintegration of the old. The outcome is a balance between something delicate and graphic, yet refers to human habits and social behaviour.

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Artist biographies:

Adam Hedley (b. 1985) studied at Bucks New University, High Wycombe receiving a BFA in 2008. He lives and works between London and Brighton. Hedley has exhibited extensively throughout the UK. Recent solo exhibitions have been at Trade Gallery, Nottingham, curated by Bruce Asbestos, and *In The Waiting Room*, Free Space Gallery. Group exhibitions include *Sampler* at Arcade, London, curated by Kristian Day, Camden Image Gallery, The Exchange Tower, Canary Wharf, Peckham Space, and NUCA.

While working with curator Alice Lee on the collaborative project *Parallel Point* Hedley exhibited at *The Birdcage*, Norwich, *Power Lunches (DIY Space for London)*, and the Gowlett Pub, Peckham. Hedley was the 2015 resident artist at Kentish Town Health Centre.

Joanne Hummel-Newell (b. 1982) studied at The Royal College of Art, London, 2004-2006 and Kingston University, London, 2001-2004. Hummel-Newell is currently Co-Director of artist run organisation Foal Arts. Selected solo exhibitions include *The Farmer's Clock*, Hop Kilns Gallery, Isle of Wight 2015; *Panic of the Human Fancy*, Aspex Guildhall Gallery, Portsmouth 2014; *Artist in Focus*, Newwashgate Gallery, Farnham 2013; *Pocket Museum*, The Lightbox, Woking 2012. Selected recent group exhibitions include *MK Arts Shoosmiths Art Prize shortlist exhibition 2015*; *Out of the box*, No format Gallery, London 2015; *Royal Academy Summer Exhibition*, London 2014; *XMAS BOGOF*, WW Gallery, London 2013; *Spare Parts*, The Rag Factory, London 2012; *Jerwood Drawing Prize shortlist Exhibition*, London and touring 2012; *Say What You See*, Aspex Gallery, 2012; *Afternoon Tea*, WW Gallery, 54th Venice Biennale, Venice 2011.

Nick Jensen (b. 1984) studied MA Fine Art at Chelsea School of Art and Design, 2010 and BA Fine Art at Central Saint Martins, 2007. He lives and works in London. In 2012, Jensen had his first solo show, *Formerly* at Twelve Around One, London. Recent group exhibitions have included *Love Peace and Happiness*, Minier Gallery, London, 2017; *Black Light*, The Averard Hotel, London, 2016; *Demimonade*, Slate Projects, London, 2014; *Shade*, Mornington Crescent, London, December, 2014.

Jensen has also curated exhibitions at The Averard Hotel, London; The Dye House, London, Twelve Around One, London and The China Shop, Oxford.