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New Exhibition at dot-art Gallery: Music and Making

dot-art Gallery's new exhibition Music and Making will be open to the public from 27th March – 9th May and will showcase the works of three contemporary artists from the North-West. Each artist combines their love for music and painting to create work that celebrates the relationship between the two distinctive artforms.

Transcending the gap between sound and image, this exhibition explores the cross-over between music and visual art, presenting works that reflect the texture and rhythm of sound through bold and gestural abstract paintings.

Aimee Blackledge's creative process involves listening to hypnotic and immersive music to induce deep level daydreaming. Her new series, *Ghost Tide*, combines bold and fluid pools of colour with dendritic lines that simulate the esoteric tradition of scrying; a practice of a seer using oil in water to summon, read and interpret divine inspiration. Aimee believes that music creates a meditative state for both creating and viewing art and she invites viewers to actively listen to music while looking at her works using a QR code that links to her studio playlist.

Artist and musician **Ali Barker** expresses music in colour, inspired by her experiences of sound-colour synaesthesia – this is the notion of visually perceiving musical notes in colour. Ali's new body of work draws upon her experiences as both a listener and a performer, presenting a range of expressive, gestural paintings made in response to her colour synaesthesia. Alongside this work, Ali will showcase another series of paintings, which in contrast capture the processes of analysing and translating excerpts of written music into complex patterns.

Listening to music whilst he paints, **Nathan Pendlebury** often finds song lyrics seeping into his titles. Nathan's new body of work takes his musical inspiration one step further, painting directly onto vinyl records.

The exhibition continues until 9th May.

The dot-art Gallery can be found at 14 Queen Avenue, Castle Street, Liverpool, L2 4TX.

Opening times: Monday – Saturday, 10am-6pm

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[High resolution images available on request.](#)

Notes to editors.

dot-art supports visual artists and champions art as an integral part of everyday life.

We do this by selling locally sourced, affordable art, working with businesses to put art in the workplace and public realm, running art classes and working with schools and community groups.

All this is underpinned by our unique membership scheme for artists in the North West which gives access to all the activities above and a package of support and advice, creating and developing artists' careers.

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