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From protest quilts to porcelain

We've scoured the country to bring you an edit of the best craft happenings this month. To discover more of June's highlights, check out the latest issue of Crafts magazine.



Image: Ben Venom, Iron Fist, 2018. Photo: courtesy MAC Birmingham

Ben Venom: All This Mayhem

A solo show of textiles and quilts made from reclaimed fabrics by American artist Ben Venom at MAC (Midlands Arts Centre) celebrates musical subcultures and personal histories.

22 June – 8 September at MAC in Birmingham.

Under Your Feet: The Contemporary Rug

This exhibition, which features work by a diverse range of 19 rug-makers currently based in the UK, aims to be a 'celebration of rugs designed in the British Isles'.

Until 14 July at Ruthin Craft Centre in Wales.

Crafted Futures

A showcase of local and international makers – Olufolake Ayeyemi, Eve Balashova, Taekyeom Lee and George Akerman – who aim to create cutting-edge craft by harnessing technology.

Until 25 June at Aspex in Portsmouth.



Image: Ceramics by Akio Niisato. Photo: Michael Harvey

Akio Niisato

Oxford Ceramics Gallery hosts the first solo show in the UK for Japanese potter Akio Niisato, who creates ultra-fine porcelain vessels and sculptures decorated with perforations.

29 June–3 August at Oxford Ceramics Gallery in Oxford.

Ella Doran: Sheep to Seat, Fleece to Floor

Designer Ella Doran's latest project showcases the journey of wool: from shearing sheep to spinning, weaving and designing. The result is a range of furniture, furnishings and photographs.

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15 June – 15 September at Yorkshire Sculpture Park.

Jerwood Makers Open

For this year's early career showcase, Jerwood Arts presents new commissions by Lucie Gledhill, Abigail Booth and Max Bainbridge (Forest + Found), Mark Corfield-Moore, Tana West and Bethan Lloyd Worthington.

19 June–18 August at Jerwood Space in London.



Image: Blankets by Susy Stirling. Photo: courtesy New Designers

New Designers

Discover work ranging from leather, ceramics and jewellery to furniture and textiles by 3,000 recent graduates from degree courses across the UK.

26–29 June and 3–6 July at the Business Design Centre, London.

Kjell Engman: Journey of Dreams

The first solo exhibition in the UK of work by the veteran Swedish glass designer Kjell Engman features more than 30 sculptures.

Until 28 June at Gallery in the Lanes in Norwich.

A Considered Place

The historic Drum Castle hosts a show of contemporary craft: tapestries by Jo Barker, Sara Brennan and Susan Mowatt; glass and ceramics by Andrea Walsh; and multimedia work by Jane Bustin.

Until 17 November at Drum Castle in Drumoak, Aberdeenshire.



Image: Faith Ringgold, The Flag Is Bleeding #2. Photo: courtesy Serpentine Gallery

Faith Ringgold

The Serpentine hosts the first European exhibition of work by American artist and civil rights activist Faith Ringgold, featuring tapestries, paintings and political posters created from the 1960s onwards.

6 June–8 September at the Serpentine Gallery in London.

Yorkshire Sculpture International

The UK's largest festival of sculpture takes place in venues across Leeds and Wakefield, and includes new public commissions in city centre locations by Ayşe Erkmen and Huma Bhabha.

22 June–29 September at multiple locations in Yorkshire.

Deborah Roberts: If They Come

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A solo exhibition at Stephen Friedman Gallery of collages by Texan artist Deborah Roberts, who uses magazine clippings and images found online as her source material.

7 June – 20 July at Stephen Friedman Gallery in London.



Image: Merdacotta, ceramic toilet made from surplus cow manure, Gianantonio Locatelli et al. Photo: © Henrik Blomqvist

Food: Bigger than the Plate

This exhibition explores current experiments across the food system, showcasing innovative approaches to food, tableware, waste and more.

Until 17 November at the V&A in London.

Linda Brothwell: Conversations in Making

Artist Linda Brothwell has drawn inspiration from the archeological finds at Stonehenge and the craft tools used by today's local community to create 40 copper and silver vessels, which together form a portrait of the prehistoric site.

Until 24 November at Stonehenge Visitor Centre in Wiltshire.

William Cobbing: Haptic Loop

Cooke Latham Gallery opens for its second show with a solo exhibition of sculptures and videos by artist William Cobbing, which all explore the tactile qualities of clay.

Until 21 June at Cooke Latham Gallery in London.