

The aim of *shop shop* is to investigate how the experience of art can be discussed through the epitome of consumerism, the shop. This exhibition is a shop with art, which is essentially what a gallery is, and it is this debate we would like to pick up on; is there a difference between making and exhibiting art in commercial and non-commercial contexts? Is it at all possible to make art without being part of consumerism? In fact one wonders if precisely art as a consumer product has been the essence of international contemporary art in the last decade; however it can be proposed that there are ways of working with art that attempt to operate *alongside* art as a consumer product.

shop shop is an attempt to formulate ways of thinking about shops and shopping (at times in the context of art) and our own relationship to these issues.

Rowan Durrant - Marcia Farquhar - Guy Harries - Alexander Hidalgo - Anika Jamieson-Cook - Niki Kyriakidou - Jo Mitchell - Laura Obon - Monika Oechsler - Michael Petry - Curated by Martin Rasmussen

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The exhibition is open 21st March – 8th April 2010, Thur, Fri, Sat and Sun 12-6PM

97-99 Clerkenwell Road, EC1R 5BX (close to Rosebery Avenue) - Farringdon Tube - busses 38, 46, 55, 63, 243

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