

MEDIA RELEASE



MONASH UNIVERSITY MUSEUM OF ART (MUMA) CAULFIELD CAMPUS SAT 01 OCTOBER – SAT 10 DECEMBER

Tue-Fri 10am-5pm Sat 12-5pm

FREE

www.festival.melbourne www.monash.edu/muma

OPENING EVENT SAT 08 OCT 1-5pm Includes panel discussion 1-2.30pm International // Visual Arts

LIFE INSIDE AN IMAGE

The rise of Irish artist **Gerard Byrne** has been as rapid as it is inevitable, with a growing oeuvre of works that turn history into an uncanny playground. Leaping nimbly across video, photography and installation, his reconstructions of conversations between historic figures make strange their subjects while recasting past eras in an eerily artificial light.

Byrne's work and his influence on other artists is displayed across two exhibitions at iconic Melbourne institutions this October - Monash University Museum of Art (MUMA) present with *Life Inside an Image*.

A museum is a frame that transforms its contents. It freezes them in time, fixing their meaning. But what if the museum itself becomes the subject?

Gerard Byrne's newly commissioned *Jielemeguvvie guvvie sjisjneli* (Film inside an Image) 2015-16 is the central work in an international group exhibition where each artist turns their attention to the museum as a technology of capture and attempted control.

Artists:
MATTHEW BUCKINGHAM
GERARD BYRNE
MELVIN MOTI
FIONA PARDINGTON
ELIZABETH PRICE
AMIE SIEGEL
JUDY WATSON

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