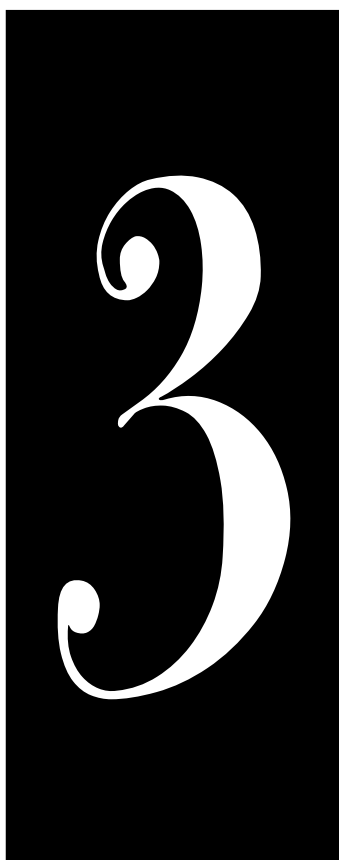




TEN LAMPS BY CITY GIRLS

City Girls present their third collection of functional sculptures, 3, an exhibition of ten lamps at The Ragged School, London. Curated by Jermaine Gallacher, 3 is made up of a new series of works formed by chance encounters and shared material priorities. Each lamp is made with found objects, through a process of trial and error, testing combinations of scale, surface texture, and how each lamp emits light.

Drawing upon a variety of thematic and material interests, each lamp feels like it exists outside of time, and away from existing contextual frameworks. A table leg could read as Art Nouveau or mid-century, a pink steering wheel might feel like something out of a Kylie Minogue video, 'but we can push it in another direction'. Working instinctively, simple gestures and tricks of the light transform their source material into spirited objects. It's these spirits that inform the naming of each lamp, too: 'It's really about the attitude they give off.'

Named after *A City Girl* by Margaret Harkness, a Victorian novel about a woman who is seduced, abandoned, and forced to survive in the harsh conditions of East London, surrounded by rubbish and clutter; City Girls were drawn to the vivid descriptions of the noise and detritus of the streets, 'working with scraps, or what's around you.'



1. PAMELA



2. ZOE



3. KYLE



4. ALLEGRA



5. KIKI



6. ANA



7. PARIS



8. DAISY



9. JEAN



10. VIRGINIA

Jermaine Gallacher presents Ten Lamps by City Girls
Private View June 25th, 6 – 8 pm
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