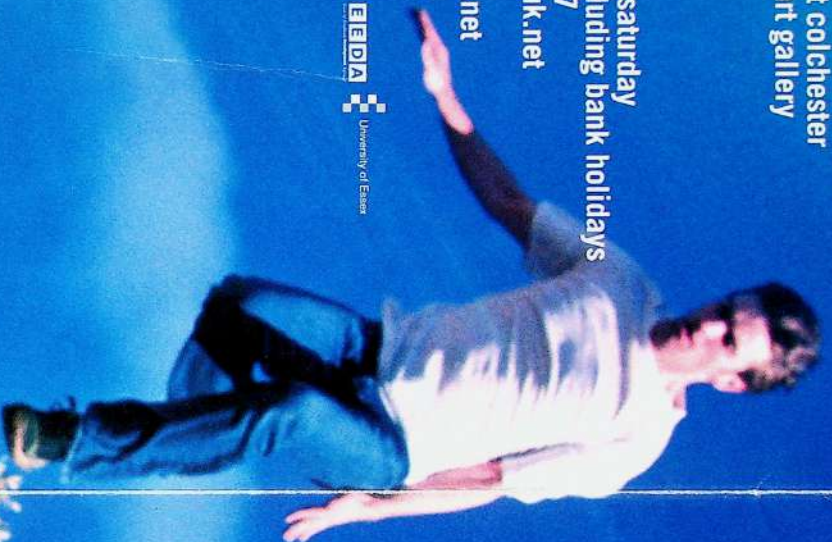


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Garrett Phelan RAGER UNTITLED

firstsite : newsite update

Work has begun on Colchester's amazing new £16.5m home for firstsite. Contractors have brought hard-core material from the garrison redevelopment to build up the ground of the site to protect archaeology beneath, before building work begins in August. The steel frame of the building has been shaped at a foundry in the West Midlands and will be complete by the end of the year. The new building will contain a 200 seat auditorium, education facilities, a café/restaurant, a business conferencing centre, a new park in the centre of Colchester and some of the finest exhibition spaces in Europe, offering the best in contemporary and historic works of art.



firstsite : newsite aerial image
July 06 by Patrick Squire



Friday 18 August - 6 - 8pm
Charles Debenham Book Launch
From the other side of the street

firstsite is delighted to be publishing this new book, celebrating Charles' 50 years painting Colchester and its neighbouring villages. Join us for the book launch, buy a copy at the special exhibition price of £25 and have it signed by the artist.

NEW Teachers' Newsletter

Calling all teachers! firstsite's Education Team is launching a newsletter to keep schools up to date with upcoming exhibitions, teachers' events and news about firstsite : newsite. Get on the mailing list by calling firstsite.



Marisa Arna

firstsite shop

jewellery ceramics textiles books magazines cards gift vouchers
Open Studios comes to firstsite. Artworks by the artists taking part are exhibited in the shop and café during September.

firstsite garden café

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♿ wheelchair access through back garden entrance to ground floor

👶 family and breastfeeding friendly

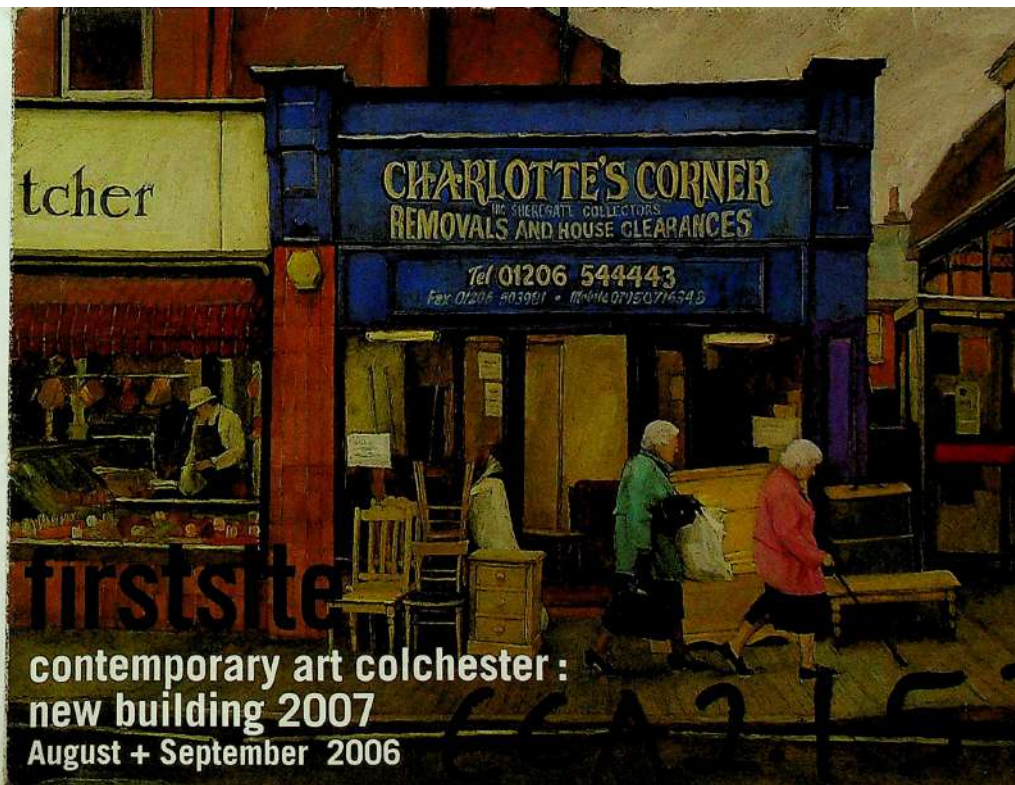
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large print copy available on request t 01206 577067

Front Cover: Charles Debenham *Charlotte's Corner*

Sats - Suns 9 - 10 - 16 - 17
23 - 24 - 30 September - 1 October
Open Studios 2006

Visit artists in their studios, see them at work and have the opportunity to buy or commission an artwork. A bus service operates from firstsite each day visiting different areas of Colchester. Call firstsite to book. £2.50 per person.



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new building 2007
August + September 2006

19 August – 7 October

Garrett Phelan

RACER UNTITLED

firstsite is delighted to be the first UK venue showcasing *RACER*: an epic, evolving work by ubercool Irish artist Garrett Phelan. *RACER* includes a film installation, landscape photography, microfiche and web-based drawings. Revolving, sometimes literally, around Donabate Beach near Dublin, the work is a dramatic, daunting installation involving a Martello tower. Very cool, very smart, very firstsite – definitely one not to miss. Hear Garrett talk about his work Fri 18 August 6.30pm free

culture Ireland
cultural direction



Garrett Phelan Black dog during *RACER*
courtesy of Mother's Tankstation

19 August – 7 October

Jo Coupe

Give and Take

firstsite's summer of very cool exhibits continues with the frankly stunning creations of Jo Coupe. Hot on the heels of a critically acclaimed installation at BALTIC in Newcastle, Jo brings her unique fusion of science and art to Colchester. Coupe is a master of Heath Robinson fascination. She will present her work *Give and Take* in which roses are slowly electroplated in a copper solution. Truly, jaw-droppingly, good.



Jo Coupe *Give and Take*
courtesy of Workplace Gallery, Gateshead

19 August – 16 September

Charles Debenham

Artist Space

Charles Debenham has made a name for himself as one of the most prolific and respected practitioners of landscape and urban painting in East Anglia. His residency in firstsite's Artist Space celebrates over 50 years of his outstanding painting practice. His beautiful, faithful renderings document the continuing changes in the town. Charles' exhibition will be accompanied by a map showing his location as he paints around the town and a firstsite book recording his work over the past half century. Publication launch Fri 18 August 6 – 8pm free



Charles Debenham

20 September – 7 October

ArC 2006

Art reflecting Citizenship

A landmark project recently featured in the Times Education Supplement, ArC 2006 uses art to creatively promote awareness of citizenship. firstsite has worked in partnership with CSN Consultancy and Colchester Consortium, placing an artist into each of the primary schools for a 10 day residency. This exhibition showcases artworks created at each school.

Bishop William Ward C of E Primary
Cherry Tree Primary · Heathlands C of E Primary
Kendall C of E Primary · King's Ford Infants
King's Ford Juniors · Monkwick Infants
Monkwick Juniors · Montgomery Infants
Montgomery Juniors · North Primary
Old Heath Primary · St George's Infants
St John's Green Primary · St Michael's Primary



Sculptures created at Old Heath Primary
with artist Clare Iles

events

- admission free ● children must be accompanied by an adult ● membership discounts apply
- drop in and join in ● limited places · book in advance

all

NEW In Conversation Fri 18 August · 6.30pm Garrett Phelan and firstsite associate Jes Fernie discuss the exhibition ●

Open Studios Launch Sat 2 September · 12 noon Christopher Biggins opens the Colchester & Tendring 2006 Open Studios ●

families

Art Stop Every Sat · 10.30am – 12.30pm Creative family friendly activities with Flavia Stone & Emma Teague
£1 per person 4 – 12 yrs ● ●

Bumps & Babes Mons 7 August · 4 September · 2 October · 10.30am – 12.30pm

Join Elaine Tribley for fun, informal and creative activities for early years · £1 per person ● ●

children

Summer Holiday Workshops 10am – 12.30pm Work with a different artist each session · £8.50 per workshop 7 – 11 yrs ● ●
Thur 3 August Artist Nicola Burrell · Make 3D faces with cardboard
Thur 10 August Artist Flavia Stone · Create beautiful images and unusual portraits
Thur 17 August Artist Rory Craigie · Model your self-portrait in clay
Thur 24 August Artist Jacqui Davies · Fun with paint and printing
Thur 31 August Artist Clare Iles · Creating and exploring structures

teenagers

Summer ArtSite : ArtClub : Poptastic Portraits Weds 2 · 9 August · 2 – 4.30pm

Join artist Jacqui Davies for these 2 sessions and create your own dynamic portraits · £5 per session 11 – 18 yrs ● ●

Summer ArtSite : ArtClub Weds 23 August · 2 – 4.30pm · 30 August 12 – 6pm · 6 · 13 · 20 · 27 September and 4 October · 4.30 – 6pm
Visit the Jaywick Martello Tower with artist Clare Iles and create exciting responses with found objects
£5 per holiday session · £3.50 per term-time session 11 – 18 yrs ● ●

adults

Tuesday Tours Tues 22 · 29 August · 5 · 12 · 19 · 26 September · 3 October · 1.15 – 1.45pm Informal and friendly tours
Investigate the exhibitions, share ideas and discuss the art · no need to book, meet at reception ●

artists

NEW In Conversation Wed 13 September · 6.30pm As part of his 50 year celebration as a practicing artist, Charles Debenham will be in discussion with local historian Andrew Phillips, on the changes in Colchester ● ●

teachers

Teachers' Evening Thur 7 September · 4.30 – 6pm

Join firstsite's education team for an introduction to exhibitions in the autumn term · Tour Irish artist Garrett Phelan's exhibition, discuss curriculum links, school visits and collect a set of Teachers' Tools, packed full of ideas, hints and tips
£3 per teacher (including Teachers' Tools) ●

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