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Exhibition Press Release

Departure cordially invites you to 'Progress', an exhibition of contemporary artworks by **Karine Gullino & Sebastian May**, two contemporary artists who live and work in East London.

Private View: Thursday 3rd October 2013, 18.00-21.00

Exhibition: 4th October – 3rd November 2013

Venue: Departure, 649-651 Commercial Road, Limehouse, London - E14 7LW

Opening: Tuesdays 11-5pm | Wed-Fri 11-9pm | Saturdays 10-5pm

With very different approaches to creating art, the two artists decided to come together to showcase their latest collections, shaped by their international backgrounds and personal journeys over the last decade. 'Progress', the title of the exhibition, is prominent in both artists' series of artworks as Karine Gullino discusses a historic social progress throughout the Viking Era, and Sebastian May reflects on recent social progress made in environmental and wildlife protection.

Karine Gullino exhibits a series of delicate embroideries, bronze works, and painting, using traditional techniques that have been used by Nordic cultures throughout the ages. Central to her research stands an exploration of the Viking Era, and more specifically the misrepresentation of an era, historic events, and its people. Karine's artworks tell us a story of social progress, and portray a view of the status and power that women held in 'The Dark Ages'.

<http://kgullino.wix.com/karma>

Sebastian May showcases a series of mixed media works and paintings in an exploration of society's relationship with nature, in particular with our continual conflict with the immediate environment that surrounds us. His collection resembles a visual call for action, as he uses irony and humour to question our progress in environmental and wildlife protection.

<http://www.smayart.com>

Karine Gullino (b. Nice, France). Recent exhibitions: The Palatine (London, UK), University of East London, Architecture and Visual Arts (London, UK), Trinity Buoy Wharf (London, UK), South London Gallery (London, UK), ExCel (London, UK), Oxford House Gallery (London, UK), The Gallery Cafe (London, UK), The Art Pavilion (London, UK)

Sebastian May (b. Wiesbaden, Germany). Recent exhibitions: Studio73 (London, UK), The Accidental Festival (London, UK), Milk & Two Pop-up Gallery (London, UK), Café Eterno (London, UK), Gallery of Mo/ Movember (London, UK), Artspace K2 (Remagen, DE), Bow Arts Trust (London, UK), The Other Art Fair (London, UK)

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