

# FIDRA FINE ART

## **Jock MacInnes RGI**

**25 June 2016 – 31 July 2016**

**Open weekends 12-5pm and midweek appointments and drop-ins very welcome.**

**Preview Friday 24 June from 6-8pm.**

There can't be many more appropriate artists for a summer solo show in North Berwick than Jock MacInnes.

Jock graduated from Glasgow School of Art in 1966 returning there to teach until 1999. During his teaching career he still managed to find time to successfully exhibit his own work, winning numerous prizes and awards including election to the RGI in 1988. By 1999 he had built up such a following that he left teaching to concentrate full time on his own work.

A predominant sense of calm and summer warmth pervades Jock's work. Regular trips to the Mediterranean and Cornwall, areas he clearly loves, have provided a wealth of subject matter. From the fishing boats and yachts in the harbours of Collioure and St Ives to the pastis, coffee pots and croissants in the cafes of Argeles-sur-Mer, Jock's work is infused with an atmosphere that invokes happy memories of holidays gone by and fuels the anticipation for holidays to come. It's not too difficult to make the jump from the Mediterranean or St Ives to the cafes, bars, beaches and harbour at North Berwick...no, really.

Inspired by European Masters such as Braque, Matisse and Morandi as well as some of the great, Modern British, St Ives artists such as Ben Nicholson, William Scott and Alfred Wallis, Jock has created his own instantly identifiable style. The subject matter is often marine based but it is the carefully prepared gessoed boards and canvasses that he manipulates through a series of scraping and mark-making that helps create the unique atmosphere and mood.

This show will feature around 50 new and recent pieces and is sure to delight his collectors as well as those new to his work.

The show opens with a **Preview on Friday 24 June from 6-8pm and continues until Sunday 31 July.**

Jock MacInnes –The Pastis Bottle – 28 x 30 inches – Acrylic on Gesso Panel



Jock MacInnes – Harbour View, Still Life – 28 x 30 inches – Acrylic on Gesso Panel

