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Making a big noise about silence

***Collage in Silence*, Renee Rilexie's first film premieres 27-28 July 2012**

On **Friday 27 and Saturday 28 July from 6-8pm**, Espacio Gallery, 159 Bethnal Green Road, London E2 7DG, will host the **world premieres** of a **new short (18 mins) film**, *Collage in Silence*, **exploring how silence can connect people and enhance creativity.**

The screening will be **introduced by the film-maker, Renee Rilexie**, and will be **followed by** an open **question and answer session** with the participants. There will also be the **chance to view the paintings** created by the group **and to try a short silence experience.**

The film will also be available to view from 26-30 July at the gallery from 3-7pm.

Collage in Silence is the first film by Renee Rilexie, an artist, writer and silence practitioner who was inspired by her own experiences of the power of silence to restore and renew the spirit and to release new creative energies. For the film, Renee brought together 5 people for a three-day adventure in the possibilities of silence.

Based at Hanbury Hall, in the heart of East London's culinary and artistic quarter, these 5 explorers – **Laura Bello, Judith Bioletto, Catherine Field, Ralph Overill and Justyna Szygiel** – worked together without speaking to produce a series of collaborative paintings inspired by a new theme each day.

On **Day 1** each person was given a randomly allocated word as their theme. These included **intensity, trees, love, light and adventure**. For **Day 2** the group worked around a **single theme, The Sea**, interpreted in their 5 individual ways, still working in silence, whilst **Day 3** took a new direction, **still without speaking, but with music** to inspire the creative process.

Speaking of the experience Renee said, "It was a great joy to watch the process unfold, people connecting more deeply each day and working together, almost as if there were one unified artist rather than five"

Renee is planning a follow-up project with filming expected to take place later in Summer 2012.

For still images, more information about the film or to discuss future projects, please contact Renee Rilexie on 07947 628694 or rilexie@gmail.com.