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CHANGE SETTINGS ELLY CLARKE

In May, British artist Elly Clarke is coming to Melbourne for the first time. In her suitcase, aside from the usual things like socks, trainers, the odd elegant blouse and a plug adaptor, she brings with her other objects - including photographs, drawings, dvd's and audio files – to be installed for an exhibition at Techno Park Studios. Her interest is in mobility and the impact it has on individuals and communities. Using analogue and digital media, Clarke's projects interrogate the idea of the archive, seeking to create stories that traverse geographical boundaries and encourage reflection on the way we perceive, experience and interpret the world.

Elly Clarke works as an artist and curator. She has a BA (Hons) in Art History from the University of Leeds, studied Curating Contemporary Art at the Royal College of Art before gaining her Masters in Fine Art from Central St Martins College of Art and Design in London. Major solo works include 'Moscow-Beijing', (shown at Kiasma Museum, Helsinki, Finland; Milton Keynes Gallery, UK; Globe Hub, Newcastle, UK; London Gallery West, London; Centre for Endless Progress, Berlin and National Centre of Contemporary Art, Moscow, Russia) and the ongoing George Richmond Portrait Project. Group and curatorial exhibitions include 'BERLIN / BIRMINGHAM / BEYOND /' at mac, Birmingham, 'The Mobility Project' at Galerie Suvi Lehtinen in Berlin and Meter Room, Coventry and 'WUNDERKAMMER' which travelled in a suitcase from Clarke Gallery in Berlin to TROVE, Birmingham; Eastern Edge Gallery, St. John's, Newfoundland, Canada and Franklin Furnace, New York. She has also had a residency at the Banff Centre, Alberta, Canada and in 2010 was selected to participate in the prestigious 'Goldrausch Kunstlerinnen' program in Berlin. Clarke Gallery is her ongoing curatorial project. Elly Clarke lives and works between Berlin and Birmingham.

<http://www.ellyclarke.com>

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Opening: Saturday May 12 from 4 – 6 pm

Exhibition current: 12 – 27 May 2012

Gallery Hours: Saturday and Sunday 1 – 5pm

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