

# **BEN EDGE**

b. 1985, Croydon, UK Lives and works in London, UK

## **EDUCATION**

2008	BA Fine Art, London Metropolitan University, London, UK
2005-	
2005	Foundation in Fine Art, West Kent College, UK
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### **SOLO EXHIBITIONS**

2025	Children of Albion, Fitzrovia Chapel, London, UK
2023	British Folk Paintings, The Viktor Wynd Museum of Curiosities, Fine Art & Natural History, London, UK
2021	Ritual Britain, Ben Edge and the Museum of British Folklore, curated by Simon Costin, The Crypt Gallery, St Pancras New Church, London, UK
2019	Ritual Britain, curated by David Harrson, Cubitt Gallery & Studios, London, UK
2018	Life Retraced, Mr Fogg's Residence, London, UK
2017	Folk Renaissance, HIX ART, London, UK

### **GROUP EXHIBITIONS**

2026	(Upcoming) <i>Tainted Love</i> , Kristin Hjellegjerde Gallery, London, UK
2025	Every Step of the Way, The Arc, Winchester, UK
	Common Ground, Wilson Gallery & Museum, Cheltenham Trust, UK
2024	Return of the Black Shuck and Friends, co-curated by Stuart Pearson Wright,
0000	The Bell Gallery, Bungay Suffolk, UK
2023	Animal Guising and the Kentish Hooden Horse, Maidstone Museum, Kent, UK
2022	Art On A Postcard, Fascinating Figuration, curated by Jack Trodd Cubitt 30, Victoria Miro Gallery, London, UK
2022	Once Upon a Time, 23-25 Chiltern St, London, UK
	Double Dog Studios, Pittsburgh, USA
	Royal Academy Summer Show, The Royal Academy, London, UK
2021	The Smoke, Terrace Gallery, London, UK
2021	Queer as Folklore, Gallery 46, London, UK
	Art On A Postcard Summer Exhibition, Hoxton Gallery, London, UK
	Estival, Meta Gallery, Stroud, Gloucestershire, UK
2020	Silent Slips, James Freeman Gallery, London, UK
2019-2020	A Horse's Head in the Frost, Chepstow Museum, Chepstow, Wales
2019	Art On A Postcard, Old Spitalfields Market, London, UK
	Cubitt Open Studios, London, UK
2018	Lore of the land, Churchgate Gallery, Somerset, UK
2017	Mayfair Art Weekend, Browns Hotel, London, UK
2015	The Ruth Borchard Self-Portrait Prize, Piano Nobile, Kings Place, London, UK
	Contemporary folklore, duo show with Ben Westley Clarke, Leyden Gallery,
	London, UK

2014	Nuance outcasts, Angus Hughes Gallery, London, UK
2012	Black Xmas, Signal Gallery, London, UK
2011	Punk and Beyond, Signal Gallery, London, UK
2010	BP Portrait Award, National Gallery of Scotland, Edinburgh, UK
2009	BP Portrait Award, Southampton City Art Gallery, Southampton, UK
	BP Portrait Award, National Portrait Gallery, London, UK

#### **AWARDS**

2015	Short-listed for 'The Ruth Borchard Self-Portrait Prize
2009	Short-listed for the BP Portrait Award, National Portrait Gallery
2007	Short-listed for the Ellen Clarkson Award, London Metropolitan University

#### SELECTED BIBLIOGRAPHY

Spirit Worlds, The Library of Esoterica, Taschen, 2025

An Opinionated Guide to Folk Art, by Farah Abdessamad, Hoxton Mini Press, 2025

Folklore Rising, An Artist's Journey Through the British Ritual Year, by Ben Edge, Watkins Publishing, 2024

Sacred Sites, The Library of Esoterica, Taschen, 2024

England on Fire, by Stephen Ellcock, Mat Osman, Watkins Publishing, 2022

Ritual Britain, by Ben Edge and the Museum of British Folklore, Self Published, 2021

Folk Renaissance, by Ben Edge, Self Published, 2017

Outsiders, by Ben Edge, Self Published, 2014

#### **ALBUM RELEASES**

Ben Edge, Children of Albion , Glass Modern Records, 2025 (Vinyl and Digital Release)

Ben Edge, New Tradition, Glass Modern Records, 2020 (Digital release) 2021 (Vinyl Release)

Ben Edge and the Electric Pencils, Self titled, Almost Ready Records, 2017

Thee Spivs, The Crowds and the Sounds, Damaged Goods Records, 2013

Thee Spivs, Black and White Memories, Damaged Goods Records, 2011

Thee Spivs, Taped Up, Damaged Goods Records, 2010