

PRESS RELEASE

Alison Whitmore

Solo exhibition

"Killed Women"

ENIA Gallery presents on **Friday, 11th October 2024** the solo exhibition of **Alison Whitmore** titled **"Killed Women"**.

On average 120 women every year are killed by men in the UK. The vast majority of these women are killed by someone they know; a partner, ex-partner, friend or relative. Often far more is written about the killers, than their victims, their images remaining prominent throughout the criminal trials.

On International Women's Day (8th March) each year a heartbreaking list of these women's names is read out in the UK parliament.

I believe it is important to rebalance this with respectful tributes, raising awareness of domestic violence and violence against women in general. I do this by making embroidered drawings which consider each woman equally, representing them beautifully, alongside the stark facts of each killing.

The use of handkerchiefs represents grief, with the embroidery referencing 'women's work'. In particular, these handkerchief works memorialise women who have been denied justice or where it has been severely delayed.

British artist, Alison Whitmore graduated with a degree in Fine Art from Nottingham Trent University and the University of Derby with a Postgraduate Certificate in Art Practice and makes artwork which considers social justice in all its forms.

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Official Opening: Friday 11th October 2024 at 20:30 to 23:30

Duration: 11 October 2024 to 22 February 2025

Opening hours: Thursday – Friday 12:00-19:30
Saturday 12:00-16:00

Admission to the exhibition is free.

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