Aims and Scope

JAWS is the Journal of Arts Writing by Students, serving as a platform for peer-to-peer engagement and for research currently taking place within institutions as part of MA and Ph.D. study. Originally founded at Chelsea School of Art, JAWS has been published by Intellect since 2015, and is the first academic arts journal entirely dedicated to current students’ and recent alumni’s work. It works to open new lines of discourse, showcase the best arts research through the practice of writing and publishing, and seeks to promote early career researchers across the academic community, demonstrating the ability, dedication, and professionalism of students. JAWS places great emphasis in the peer review process and relies on its network of interested researchers to deliver current and challenging reads. JAWS is keen to foster relationships with Art Schools and Colleges internationally to maintain our commitment to helping promote knowledge exchange and career prospects to our contributors.

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