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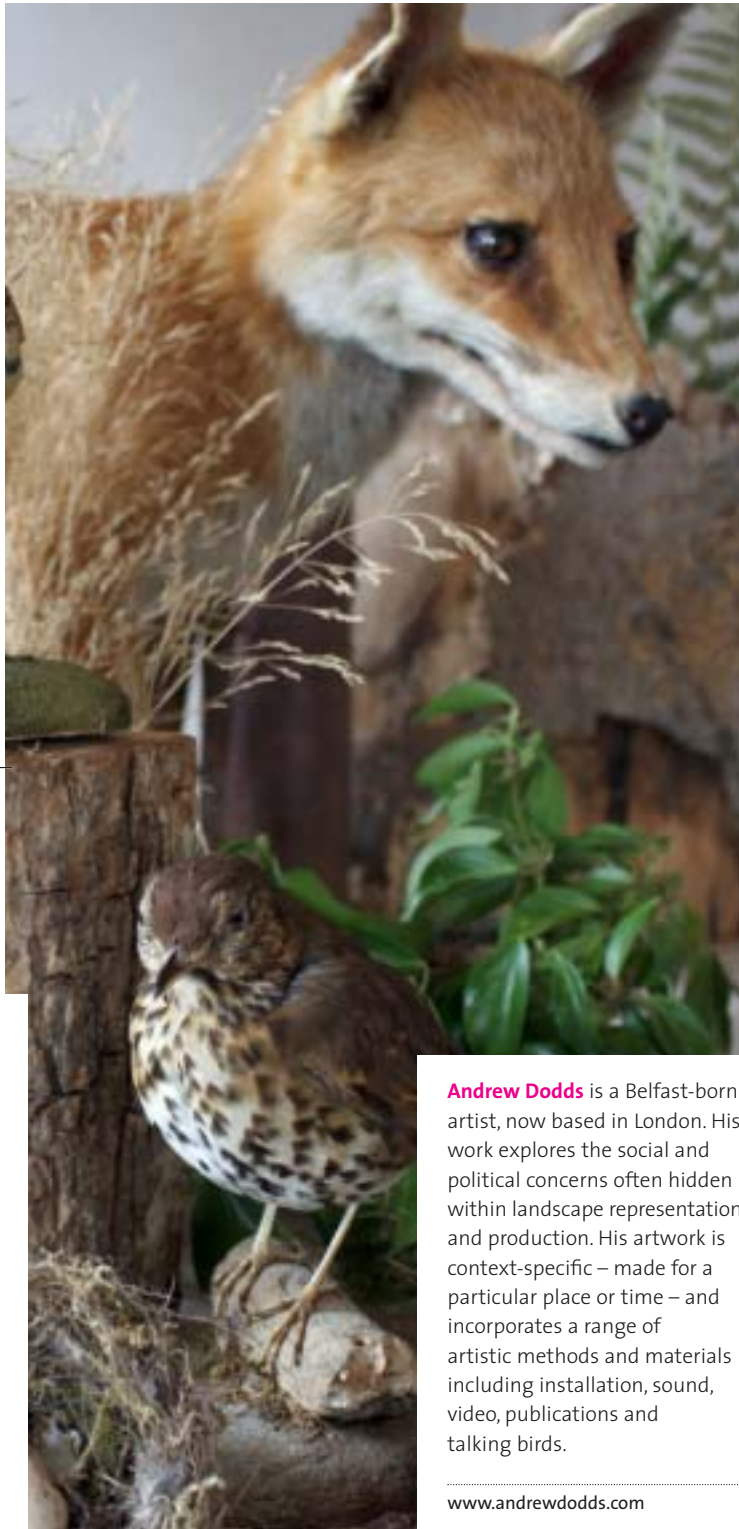
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dlr Arts and Airfield invited artist Andrew Dodds to take up a summer residency to create a new artwork in response to Airfield's rich history and beautiful surroundings. We now invite you to visit Airfield and see the results of his time there.

'Wunderkammer' sees Andrew develop a kind of Cabinet of Curiosities to house selected artefacts from Airfield's archive and grounds. Within the space of a 'social sculpture' the artist has created a place that lies somewhere between the past and an imaginary, yet realisable future. Mixing fact and fiction the space is part sci-fi tale, part time-capsule.



The Wunderkammer, or Cabinet of Curiosities, came to prominence in the sixteenth century partly as a means of display for objects gathered by wealthy individuals whilst travelling abroad. The presentation and contents of the cabinets would often reveal as much about the collector as they did about the places visited. Crucially, the cabinets and their contents became talking points, more the focus of the social connections between people than the associations between things.



Andrew Dodds is a Belfast-born artist, now based in London. His work explores the social and political concerns often hidden within landscape representation and production. His artwork is context-specific – made for a particular place or time – and incorporates a range of artistic methods and materials including installation, sound, video, publications and talking birds.

www.andrewdodds.com



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Airfield

Airfield is a farm and gardens situated on a 35 acre estate in Dundrum. It was the former summer retreat and eventual home of the Overends, a wealthy solicitor's family from Dublin. Airfield supports artists who work in the context of the natural world. It endeavours to provide opportunities for the whole community to connect with and learn about the natural world. Its activities encompass a sense of play and discovery in keeping with Airfield's ethos and uniqueness.

Airfield Opening Times:
Monday-Sunday & Bank Holidays
10 am-5 pm

'Wunderkammer' Opening Times:
Monday-Friday 11 am-4 pm
Weekends 10 am-5 pm

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