

## **BIO**

### **The Guardian**

"Magical and exquisitely crafted, Davy and Kristin McGuire's universe is full of visual wonders."  
"Walk into the McGuire's' studio in Bristol and you enter a world that feels like a last outpost of a 19th-century realm of illusion and magic. "

### **Computer Arts Magazine**

"The award-winning husband-and-wife team have built a reputation for innovative, indelible works – blending animation, projection mapping, theatre, film, dance and *papercraft*."

Davy & Kristin McGuire are a multidisciplinary artist duo whose work has included The Icebook and an atmospheric stage adaptation of popular fantasy novel, Howl's Moving Castle.

Winners of The Oxford Samuel Beckett Theatre Trust Award 2013, their theatre production The Paper Architect premiered in July 2013 at the Barbican London. The McGuire's critically acclaimed projects have been invited to tour to more than 13 different countries over 3 continents. Davy and Kristin's commercial commissions include the Floating City for Barneys' iconic Madison Avenue Christmas windows, and Alchimie de Courvoisier, a bespoke paper diorama originally displayed at Harrods. Their renowned projection mapping installations have been exhibited, sold, published and screened internationally. Davy and Kristin have worked with Elle China, Cirque du Soleil, Microsoft Advertising, Canal+, Jay -Z, The Guillemots, Partizan, Courvoisier, Barneys and Harrods and their productions have featured internationally on the BBC, on TV in Japan, on Canal+ in France as well as being published in The Guardian, Kerrang, Digital Arts, Contagious Magazine, Time Out, Metro, Times, Elle Girl Korea, Crafts Magazine, Elephant and Computer Arts Magazine.

## **Awards and Residencies**

- REACT Prototype Fund
- Oxford Samuel Beckett Theatre Trust Award (2013)
- The Observers top 10 Best Theatre of 2013
- Strictly Paper - Top 25 Paper artworks of 2013
- Bursary for the 11th Quenington Sculpture Show (2011)
- Artist residency/stipend at the Künstlerdorf Schöppingen/Germany (2010)
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- Artist residency/stipend at the ACC Gallery Weimar/Germany (2009)
- BFI Future Film Award (2009)

## **Timeline**

Ongoing

### **The Icebook**

Miniature theatre production using projection mapping onto a pop up book set. Trailer received 400,000 hits on Vimeo and was screened on Blue Peter, CANAL +, NHK Japan. Magazine features included in Elle Girl Korea, Digital Arts and Contagious Magazine. It has currently toured to 32 locations including Japan, USA, Canada, Spain, Portugal, France, Holland, Denmark, The Royal Shakespeare Company and Wales Millennium Centre in the UK.

July 2014

Group Exhibition  
**Creating a Scene**  
**Oriel Davies Gallery**

May 2014

Group Exhibition  
**Beyond the Book**  
**Long and Ryle Gallery, London**

April 2014

Group Exhibition  
**A Thousand Cranes**  
**O3 Gallery Oxford**

March 2014

Solo Exhibition  
**The Hunter**  
**Shoreditch Town Hall**

January 2014

Group Exhibition  
**Creating a Scene**  
**National Centre for Craft and Design**

January 2014

Group Exhibition  
**Fairies Series**  
**Muriel Guepin Gallery at London Art Fair**

- Winter 2014 Commission  
**Sprite Symphony and The Haunted Dress**  
**Royal Shakespeare Company Commission**  
 Created two projection mapping installations.
- Dec 2013 Commission  
**Floating City**  
**Jay-Z and Barneys New York**  
 Large scale paper installation with video projections for Barneys iconic Christmas windows in Madison Avenue.
- Dec. 2013 Commission  
**The Hunter's Shed**  
**Enchanted Parks, Newcastle**  
 Projection mapping installation
- Aug 2013 Directors and Designers  
**Motorola Research and Development Project**  
 Details are confidential at this stage.
- Aug 2013 Commission  
**Journey to Wonderland**  
**Animation for Elle China 25th Anniversary.**  
 Directed actress Zhou Xun in Shanghai. Video to be released in September/October 2013
- July 2013 Group Exhibition  
**The World of Projection Mapping**  
**Takamatsu, Japan**  
 International projection mapping exhibition.
- July 2013 Commission  
**The Paper Architect**  
**Commissioned by The Barbican**  
 Multimedia Theatre Production

★★★★★ One Stop Arts *“a piece that speaks to our imagination and challenges our notions what theatre can be. A very inspiring forty-five minutes.”*

★★★★ Metro *“It’s a show with a gossamer touch that leaves you shivering.”*

★★★★ The Times *“The Paper Architect is a remarkable, quietly thrilling show that I would urge anyone to make the effort to see... What follows makes the jaw drop and the head whirl...”*

★★★★ The Sunday Times *“The McGuire’s have created a world of trembling delicacy” On The Paper Architect.*

*“The Paper Architect is as delicate as a poem by Keats, like someone pressing on a pressure point you didn’t know you had”.* The Londonist

- June 2013      Group Exhibition  
**Fresh Air 2013**  
 Biennial sculpture exhibition, *Quennington*,
- May 2013      Group Exhibition  
**Form and Substance**  
**Brooklyn, New York.**  
 International projection mapping exhibition.
- Dec 2012      **The Icebook**  
 Mar 2013      Toured the Icebook to Florida, Tokyo, Vancouver and The Royal Shakespeare Company.
- Nov 2012      Commission  
**L'Alchimie de Courvoisier**  
**Commissioned by Courvoisier exhibited in Harrods**  
 Paper diorama and projection mapping installation. The documentation video received 40.000 plays on Youtube and was publicised in Computer Arts Magazine, Digital Arts and PSFK. The installation currently resides in Courvoisier HQ in Jarnac.
- 'The award-winning husband-and-wife team have built a reputation for innovative, indelible works – blending animation, projection mapping, theatre, film, dance and papercraft.' *Computer Arts Magazine (28/01/2013)*
- Oct 2012      Commission  
**The Hunter, Psycho and Homage to Hitchcock**  
**Oxford Samuel Beckett Theatre Trust Award Winners**  
 These 2 installations were shown at Shoreditch Town Hall in the finals of the Oxford Samuel Beckett Theatre Trust Award. The subsequent video documentations was a Vimeo staff pick and received over 50.000 hits. The productions won us the Award.
- Sept 2012      Commission  
**Music Video for Atakan Ilgazdag**  
 This music video received 48.000 hits on Youtube.
- July 2012      Group Exhibition  
**Shadowside - Bo- Lee Gallery,**  
**Blackall Studios, London**
- June 2012      Visiting Artists / Lecturers  
**University College Falmouth**
- May 2012      Group Exhibition  
**Artspace, Barn Galleries, Henley, UK**
- Mar 2012      Solo Exhibition  
**The McGuire's Showcase**  
**Burdall's Yard, Bath**
- Feb 2012      Commission  
**As Told By**  
**Viral Advertising Campaign for Microsoft**

- Jan 2011 Visiting Artists /Lecturers  
**University of the West of England**
- Dec 2011 Commission  
**Howl's Moving Castle - Multimedia Theatre  
Production for Southwark Playhouse.**  
The production featured Stephen Fry as Narrator and Fyfe Dangerfield as Composer. And incorporated animated projections. It became Timeout Critic's Choice.
- 'Diana Wynne Jones's tale gets a startlingly imaginative staging from directors and designers Davy and Kristin McGuire... sophisticated projections transform the stage with speed and grace... the performers and projections interact seamlessly... technical wizardry is matched by colorful performances. ★★ ★ Metro
- 'Is it a play? Is it a film? Is it an installation? No, it's super-theatre! ... Howl's Moving Castle - a triumph of theatrical imagination' - Westend Broadway World
- '... a Christmas extravaganza with a difference... nothing short of breathtaking throughout... Fyfe Dangerfield's stirring score compliments the stunning visuals perfectly... undeniably ground-breaking and technically dazzling' - Whatsonstage
- Aug 2011 Commission  
**Parting**  
**Short Film Commission for CANAL+**  
Commissioned film to commemorate September 11th.
- July 2011 Commission  
**I Must Be A Lover**  
**Music Video for Guillemots**  
Produced by Partizan.
- June 2010 Visiting Artists/Lecturers  
**Bath Spa University**
- May 2010 Commission  
**Magnets Caught in a Metal Heart**  
**Music Video for Thursday**  
"... they've made this stunning artistic video ..." (Kerrang)
- Mar. 2010 Group Exhibition  
**Die Unvollendete -**  
**ACC Gallery Weimar, Germany.**
- Oct 2009 Artist in Residence  
**Kuenstlerdorf Schoepingen, Germany**
- Sept 2009 Group Exhibition  
**Kunstfehler Fehlerkunst**  
**Halle 14, Leipzig, Germany.**

Jun 2009      Artist in Residence  
**ACC Galerie - Weimar, Germany**

June 2008      Directors and Designers  
**Silent Movie**  
**Theatre Production**  
Performed at the Macau Arts Festival in China.