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KEITH FARQUHAR

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Reviewing **Farquhar**'s recent show at Inverleith House in Edinburgh, Iain Gale wrote "...*It is impossible not to feel sympathy for Farquhar's fabric hoodies and in so doing empathise with their flesh and blood cousins. This is as strong a work of socio-political art as you will ever see and in its dagger thrust, deep into the heart of contemporary mores, it marks out its creator as an artist on the rise.*"

This exhibition confirms that view, and then some. This time the hoodies are accompanied by free-standing cut-outs; figures engaged in a most stylish and mysterious tale; figures exposed, vulnerable but unashamed; the sheer panache and bare economy with which **Farquhar** fashions the cheapest, the most common, the most socially typecast, into striking and stylish images is quite breathtaking. The hoodies are the height of fashion, their fashion; they are cool as cool can be. But they are essential to our culture. This is where fear meets fashion, the ugly meets beauty, the faceless meets the viewer full-face, where *The Strange Case of the Boar in the Gallery* meets its Sherlock Holmes.

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