Jenny Hughes-Cummins creates hand printed and digital print textiles for fashion and interior and mixed media works on paper exploring themes of memory, trace and history.

**About the Exhibition**

The textiles and drawings for the Dream Space exhibition have been inspired by myriad sources such as Italo Calvino’s ‘Invisible Cities’ , travels real and imagined and an ongoing fascination with the natural world. Afterimage, memory and traces of the past explored through hand drawn imagery, collage and bricolage . Personal narratives are unraveled , journeys taken to imagined destinations, histories fragmented and reconstructed. Large scale mixed media drawings on watercolour paper and digitally printed textiles on silk crepe de chine and silk satin are shown alongside smaller scale silk scarves and cushions.

**About Jenny Hughes-Cummins**

Born in 1964 , Jenny studied at Central Saint Martins and Nottingham Trent University followed by post graduate study at Goldsmiths College specialising in textiles design. She was awarded a British Council post graduate scholarship to study printed textiles and costume at the Applied Arts Academy in Budapest and also spent time at Danmarks Designskole in Copenhagen. These intensive periods of study abroad had a profound effect on her work and ignited an interest in exploring other cultures and travel; a wanderlust that continues to inspire and inform her work.

 Jenny has exhibited her textiles at Premier Vision, Paris and 100% Design London and continues to explore new ways of working within the textile medium. Based in London she has worked as a freelance textile designer; designing fabrics for Ralph Lauren, Jean Paul Gaultier , Jigsaw and Marks and Spencer. Current work includes private commisions and the development of a range of digital print scarves and interior accessories .

Alongside her creative practice Jenny has extensive experience within the sphere of education. She is a Senior Lecturer in Fashion/Textiles at University for the Creative Arts in Rochester on the Pre Degree course.