



Tris Vonna-Michell Finding Chopin: In Search of Holy Quail

My father claimed that because of Henri Chopin I am an Essex-Boy. I asked my parents why was I born in Essex of all places, and my father's response was: don't ask me - ask Henri Chopin. All you need to know is that he loved quail eggs and lived in Paris ... We were having dinner at a Chinese restaurant in Ambleside; earlier during the day we visited Kurt Schwitters's home which functions now as a small museum. However, there was a clause that had to be respected ... I could search for him, but I couldn't find him.

Hence I appropriated many of the creative methodologies used by both men, including my father, and began weaving a method to search for Chopin and question my sense of origins. Similar to the workings of a trou badour, this project will be casually performed over the duration of the weekend within the context of the installation. I will story tell in the communal environment using a collection of mini props.

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