

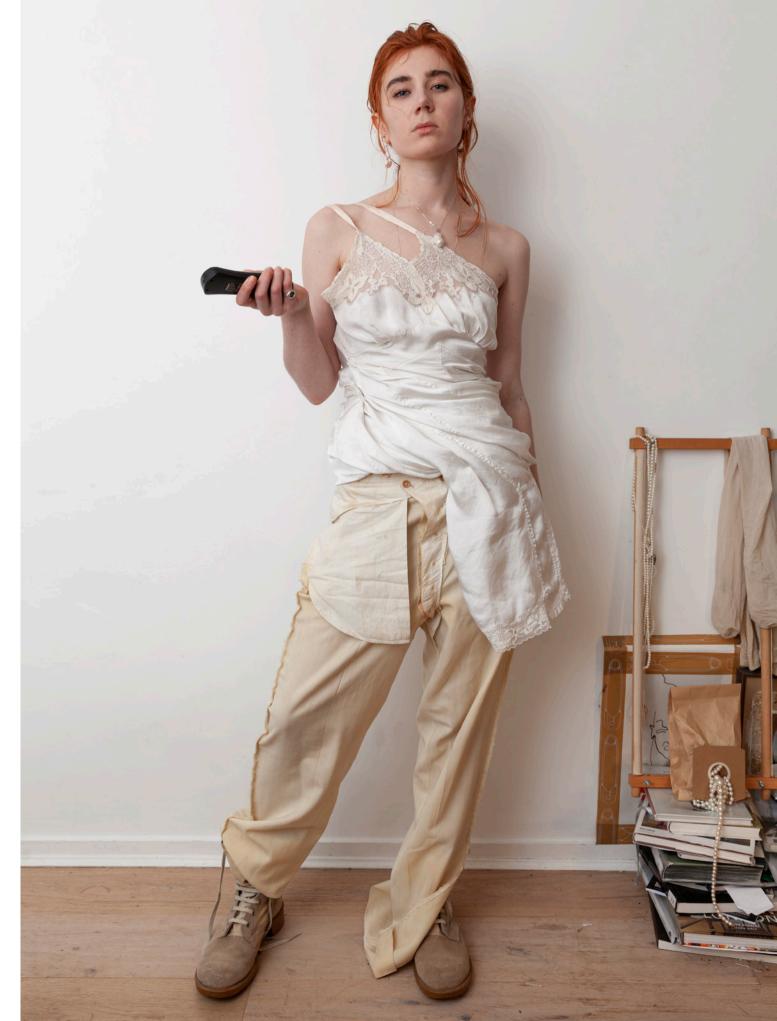
# Smoke and Mirrors

CENTRAL SAINT MARTIN'S MA COLLECTION 2021

My collection Smoke and Mirrors presents a fever-dream of feminine imagination in which the act of playing dress-up, with only a mirror and the objects found around me, transforms garment making into a form of alchemy.

It is a deeply personal and intimate record exploring garments as the activators of memory, eroticism, and delight, deifying the disgarded.





## Look 1 Twisted Slip



"Getting dressed in a hurry, my slip is twisted and tucked into an Edwardian riddle."  $\,$ 









Look 2 Peeling Dress

"My art teacher's dress comes to life and unpeels itself again and again."



# Look 3 Peeling Jacket



"My plaid jacket flops open at the sleeves, exposing  ${\tt my}$  bare shoulders."





Look 4 Hooverbug Dress

"A hoover bag sucks up a pink slip."







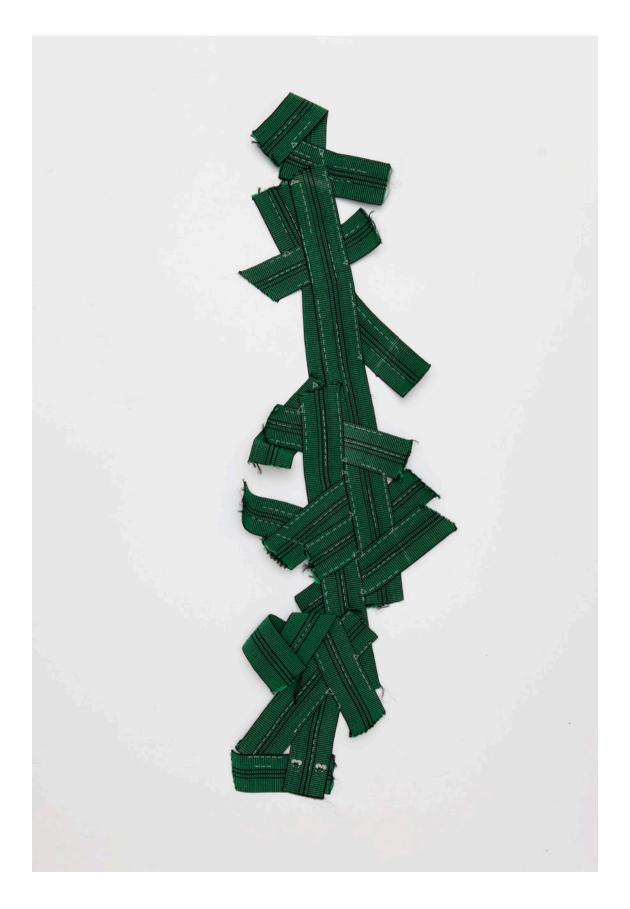




Look 5 Sofa Bodice

"The sofa reveals green straps that corset me as sheer curtains drape across my knees."











Look & Centain Skirt

"Caught behind a pink velvet curtain, I twist it around my body and pull my tights up high."



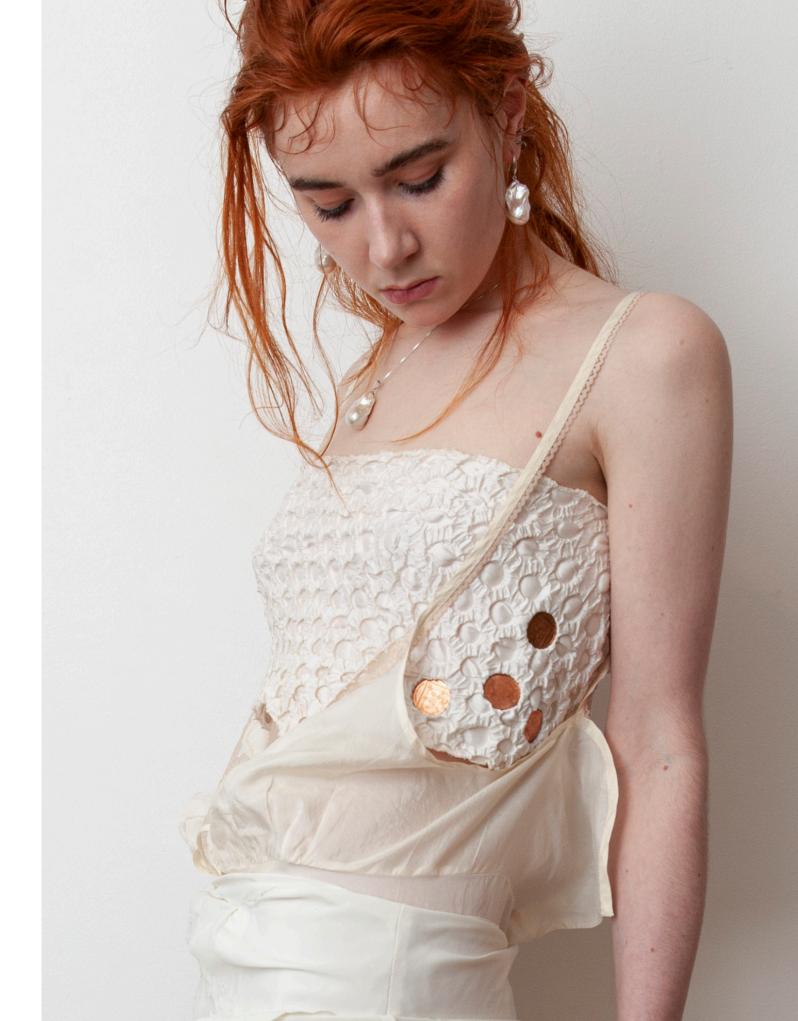




### Look 7 Drunkards Shikori



"Bottle caps hold on to my pennies in a scrap of white silk shibori and tiers slips down to the ground."





Look 8 Fodhpur Sailor

"Antique jodhpurs turned upside-down and transposed into a sailor's jacket."





Look 9 Bankbag Skirt

"Bank bags drop down from the weight of my Grandmother's pearls, hanging on to the lining of a red skirt."









## Look 10 Velvet Sheet



"Rust-coloured velvet flies through the air and wraps against my body like a sheet of newspaper."





#### Twisted Slip



My silk slip suspended in a twist. Edwardian trousers turned in on themselves hinting at their past life. Lover's boots.

#### Peeling Dress



My art teacher's dress, (who taught me how to wind a spool) transformed and peeled away from the lining, held up with my Grandmother's pearls. Lover's boots.

Peeling Jacket



Jacket that I wore to my Central Saint Martin's interview taken apart and reconfigured. Man's Trousers with flipped waistband and peek-a-boo bum. Lover's boots.

Hooverbag Dress



A silk slip is sucked into a hoover bag, threatening to reveal the wearer. Pantyhose guarding the body. Lover's boots.

Sofa Bodice



Supports ripped out of a gutted sofa and strapped around the body with an urgency. Sheer curtains cut into trousers. Lover's boots.

#### Curtain Skirt



Pink velvet curtains ripped down from the window to conceal or reveal. Tights pulled up high. Lover's boots.

#### Drunkards Shikovi



A scrap of silk shibori wrapped around the body, held with pearl necklace straps, beer caps cradling coins. Bent over négligée on top of a déshabillé slip with straps that are too long. Lover's boots.

Todhpur Sailor



Antique riding jodhpurs formed into sailor top blushing with pillowcase velvet. Man's Trousers with flipped waistband and peek-a-boo bum. Lover's boots.

Bankbag Skirt



Bank bags holding pearls and precious objects stitched into a mermaid-tail skirt fallen and clinging to a lining. Pantyhose pulled up to her chest. Lover's boots.

#### Valvet Sheet



Sheet of rusty velvet caught on the body and held with butcher's apron straps. Man's Trousers with flipped waistband and peek-a-boo bum. Lover's boots.



