

## **Alban Low**

Alban Low is the curator of an unusual art exhibition involving more than a dozen artists and as many writers, called Love Tokens and Bad Pennies, which you can explore by walking the streets of London in February. He tells Andrew Stuck, producer of *Talking Walking*, he is like an absent party host, arranging experiences and artistic interventions in public space for everyone to enjoy, while himself, keeping to the shadows. A publisher of chap books, illustrator and cartographer, he has a lot of projects on the go, for which walking and walks are integral. 15'39" 7.3MB

Notes from the podcast interview by **Andrew Stuck**: Recorded in February 2019 on a walk around Richmond Green, London. Published in February 2019 on <a href="http://www.talkingwalking.net">http://www.talkingwalking.net</a>

Alban Low http://www.albanlow.co.uk/

"Love Tokens and Bad Pennies" <a href="http://www.thelondongroup.com/love-tokens-bad-pennies/">http://www.thelondongroup.com/love-tokens-bad-pennies/</a> - a collaboration called Collect Connect <a href="http://collectconnect.blogspot.com/">http://collectconnect.blogspot.com/</a>

"Small World Futures" https://www.a-n.co.uk/events/small-world-futures/

Francesca Albini https://www.eastfinchleyopen.org.uk/francesca-albini.html

Walking maps include one commissioned by Barts (St Bartholomew's), The Royal London and Mile End hospitals: <a href="https://sampsonlow.co/2018/11/20/before-the-nhs-a-walk-through-east-londons-medical-past/">https://sampsonlow.co/2018/11/20/before-the-nhs-a-walk-through-east-londons-medical-past/</a>

Being Human Festival <a href="https://beinghumanfestival.org/">https://beinghumanfestival.org/</a> NHS anniversary <a href="https://www.england.nhs.uk/nhs70/">https://www.england.nhs.uk/nhs70/</a>

Magnet artwork on Brighton Sea front and in Cambridge with collection of community Blue Plaques <a href="https://sampsonlow.co/2014/09/18/cambridge-blue-plaque-walk/">https://sampsonlow.co/2014/09/18/cambridge-blue-plaque-walk/</a>

Walked across London to write LONDON in five mile high letters

Publishing other people's Tweets in Greenford and Perivale as @smartwalks https://twitter.com/smartwalks

Alban is artist in residence at the School of Nursing at Kingston University <a href="https://www.healthcare.ac.uk/mental-health-nursing-team-collaborates-with-artist-alban-low-to-promote-awareness-into-this-often-hidden-world/">https://www.healthcare.ac.uk/mental-health-nursing-team-collaborates-with-artist-alban-low-to-promote-awareness-into-this-often-hidden-world/</a> and <a href="https://www.kingston.ac.uk/news/article/1091/01-aug-2013-artist-draws-on-challenges-of-mental-health-nursing-for-latest-exhibition/">https://www.kingston.ac.uk/news/article/1091/01-aug-2013-artist-draws-on-challenges-of-mental-health-nursing-for-latest-exhibition/</a>

Carry on films <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Carry">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Carry</a> On (franchise)

Alban does work for jazz musicians doing album cover work <a href="http://artofjazz.blogspot.com/">http://artofjazz.blogspot.com/</a>, and public engagement work for universities especially around mental health.

Chap books <a href="https://www.bl.uk/romantics-and-victorians/articles/chapbooks">https://www.bl.uk/romantics-and-victorians/articles/chapbooks</a> Sampson Low publishers of maps and chap books: <a href="https://sampsonlow.co/">https://sampsonlow.co/</a>

Spotlight <a href="https://www.spotlight.com/">https://www.spotlight.com/</a>

Jack Clapper - saxophonist <a href="https://www.nationaljazzarchive.org.uk/search?q=Jack+Clapper&action=search&qt=a">https://www.nationaljazzarchive.org.uk/search?q=Jack+Clapper&action=search&qt=a</a>

**Alban recommends:** Seek out an old directory in a second hand bookshop or junk shop, and us that as the catalyst for rediscovering places on foot.