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# fabric and matter;

## conversations in concrete

#### Objectives

The aim of this project is to establish new ways to construct decorative surfaces using concrete as the main component.

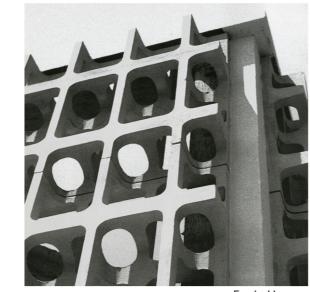
- \* Use a systematic approach to the investigation of material sample making, exploring various models of practice.
- \* Document information in a reflective journal, in a range of media.
- \* Produce new compositions using textiles, yarns, glass, pigments and plastics, as intrinsic constituents of the structure, or as moulding making materials.

Key words: material properties, casting, tactility, curing times, expose, visual aesthetic, embedded structures.

#### Inspiration

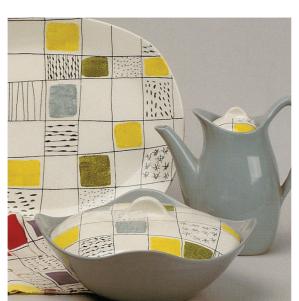






Explore and analyse; previous work, current trends and creative excellence that relates to the research aims and objectives.





Peter Lanyon Midwinter pottery

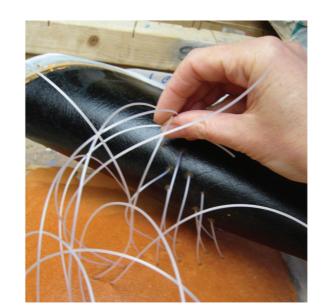
#### Material inquiry



Research and carry out processes and techniques appropriate to the research project and materials.
Taking inspiration from the material and the way it behaves.

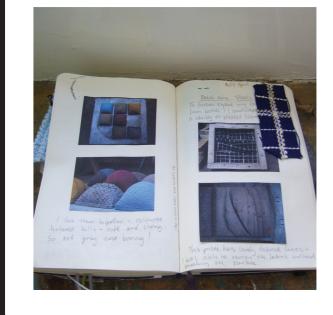








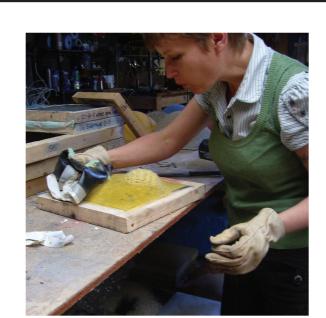
### Collecting data







Record findings through sketching, photography and annotation. Collate thoughts, ideas and feelings. Feeding these back into the research.





## Recording results









Exploit the unique qualities of the concrete surfaces to create compositions suitable for more domestic and informal settings.



