# **Press Release**

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No One Has Taught Me This – Blackdot Gallery at London Design Festival 2025

### 19 – 21 September 2025

Blackdot Gallery, 9 Caledonian Road, London N1 9DX

## What happens when making begins where instruction ends?

This question lies at the heart of *No One Has Taught Me This*, a major exhibition presented by **Blackdot Gallery** as part of the London Design Festival 2025.

Featuring **70** emerging artists from across the globe, the exhibition spans jewellery, sculpture, ceramics, wearables, digital installation, photography, and furniture. Each work explores inherited wisdom, intuitive skill, and the quiet knowledge gained through care, survival, and experimentation.

Running from **19 to 21 September 2025** at **9 Caledonian Road**, the show offers a vibrant and intimate look at the ways contemporary design is shaped not only by what we know — but by what we feel, remember, and imagine.

# **Highlights**

- A diverse international line-up of **70 artists** presenting innovative works that cross disciplines and traditions.
- A focus on design as instinct, emotion, and lived experience rather than instruction.
- Works born of grief, migration, hybrid identities, speculative tools, and hacked-together solutions — reflecting design's poetic, political, and deeply personal sides.
- An Award Ceremony on 19 September (20:30) during the Private View, presenting six awards including the Rising Star Jewellery Award (in partnership with AUTOR) and the Material Innovation Award (with Art and Materials Lab).

#### **Curatorial Statement**

"No One Has Taught Me This asks: What knowledge do we carry in our hands? What cannot be taught in schools or textbooks? And how do we design from instinct, emotion, and experience? This exhibition is a celebration of making as a deeply human act — one that lives beyond rules and instruction." – Sara Chyan, Curator, Blackdot Gallery

### **Event Details**

Dates: 19-21 September 2025

**Opening Hours:** 

19 Sept (Fri): 12:00–19:0020 Sept (Sat): 12:00–19:0021 Sept (Sun): 12:00–17:00

Location: Blackdot Gallery, 9 Caledonian Road, London N1 9DX

# Private View (Invite Only):

19 Sept (Fri), 19:00–21:00 (Award Ceremony at 20:30)

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