Bob Bicknell-Knight We've Been Here Before, 2021 Single channel 4K video 6 mins 34 sec Commissioned by The Bass x Daata



We've Been Here Before is a CGI film by Bob Bicknell-Knight, concerning the boundaries between public and private space, forgotten histories, simulated worlds and apocalyptic futures. The work presents a series of digital replicas of real-life, physical spaces, virtually duplicated in architectural simulation software, alongside several 3D models of contemporary technologies that have been heavily eroded.

The three locations explored in the film are the headquarters of GCHQ, a government organisation responsible for digitally surveilling people in the UK and abroad; the headquarters of the social media website Facebook in Menlo Park, California and Fisher Island, Miami, a barrier island which has the highest per capita income of any place in the United States, and will be one of the first locations in the US to be swallowed by rising sea levels.

These visual elements are accompanied by an ominous computer-generated voiceover speaking about a fictionalised future where the coming climate crisis has forced the global oceans to rise, with human beings escaping into mountainous regions and digital worlds.

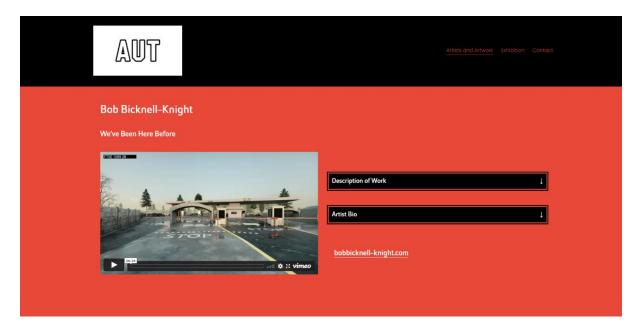
The work is available to purchase from Daata here - https://daata.art/art/bob-bicknell-knight-we-ve-been-here-before

Watch the film by going to https://youtu.be/p3aNQOf5b4c



Exhibited at Bob Bicknell-Knight X Keiken.

At Soundscape Park, New World Symphony, 400 17th St, Miami Beach, FL 33139, USA, 17th April 2021.



Exhibited at The World of Light, curated by David Yetton w/ Kate Aries, Jonathan Armour, David Ian Bickley, Bob Bicknell-Knight, Alex Billingham, Ayshia Taskin & Daniele Bongiovanni, Pale Blue Dot Collective, Aurelie Crisetig, Robert Jarvis, Caroline Areskog Jones, Bharati Kapadia, Hye Rim Lee, Nicola Rae, David Anthony Sant, Carol Sowden and Shahar Tuchner.

Online at theworldoflight.net, 5th -14th November 2021.



Exhibited at For Man is Coming Here, curated by Susan Lord.

At Bury Art Museum & Sculpture Centre, Moss Street, Bury, BL9 0DR, United Kingdom, 4th March - 21st October 2023.



Exhibited at Two Queens Two Screens w/ ACJ, Cos Ahmet, Rory Beard, Lara Beasley, Bob Bicknell-Knight, Shannon Butler, Citizen Bxtr, Musa Camp, Arianna Cheung, Victoria Clark, Emma Constantine, Kp Culver, Jane Domingos, Mateus Domingos, Ambie Drew, Pete Ellis, Maddie Exton, Shirine Shah & Matt Feldman, Beth Fox, Dominique Golden, Grime, Rowena Harris, Les Hayden, Stuart Hicking, Kate Liston, Lottie O'Neill and Andrew Jones, Elizabeth Keen, Ismail Khokon, Showna Kim, Jack Lewdjaw, Alison Lloyd, Natasha Macvoy, Izzy Mcevoy, Owain Train Mcgilvary, Juno Meazles, Meels, Annie Morrad, Lottie O'Neill, Krystle Patel, Duncan Poulton, Paul Raymond, Assunta Ruocco, Nick Smith, Agatha Smith, Anne Stansfield, Vitesh Vithlani, Kühle Wampe, Raisa Watkiss, Lozz Wilkins and Siân Williams.

At Two Queens, 2 Queen Street, Leicester, LE1 1QW, United Kingdom, 28th April 2023.