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THE ARTY SEASON

If you are shopping for someone who would love nothing more than a frame-shaped gift in their stocking on Christmas morning, the Whitechapel is hosting a festive collector's evening on Wednesday night. The event will be a

chance to buy limited-edition pieces by the likes of Julian Opie, Franz West and Janet Cardiff, with prints, sculpture and signed photographs from just £75. In Westbourne Park, meanwhile, the artists at the Great Western Studios are opening their doors to sell off clothes, furniture, jewellery, textiles, screenprints and lights. The designer Zakee Shariff is



clearing out old and current season stock for buttons, with skirts, jumpers and belts (*above*) starting at just £5. *Whitechapel Art Gallery, 80-82 Whitechapel High Street, E1 (020-7522 7888), Dec 8, 6-9pm. Admission £12. Winter Open Studios, Great Western Studios, W9 (020-7221 0100), Dec 4-5, noon-6pm. Free*