

# Craigie Aitchison CBE RA RSA

1926 EDINBURGH - 2009 LONDON



- 1944 University of Edinburgh, studying Law
- 1948 Middle Temple, City of London, studying Law
- 1952 Slade School of Art, London
- 1999 Awarded CBE in Queen's birthday honours

## SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 1970 Compass Gallery, Glasgow
- 1975 Rutland Gallery, London
  - 'Craigie Aitchison: Recent Paintings', Scottish Arts Council, Edinburgh
- 1977 M. Knoedler and Co, London
- 1979 Kettle's Yard, Cambridge
- 1981 David Grob Fine Art, London
- 1981-1992 Arts Council Retrospective Exhibition, Serpentine Gallery, London
  - Midland Group, Nottingham
  - City Museum and Art Gallery, Old Portsmouth
  - Central Library Exhibition Gallery, Milton Keynes
  - Museums and Art Gallery, Bolton
- 1985 Artis Monte Carlo, Monaco
- 1987 Albemarle Gallery, London
- 1989 'Craigie Aitchison: Recent Paintings', Albemarle Gallery, London
- 1993 'Craigie Aitchison: New Paintings', Thomas Gibson Fine Art, London
- 1994 'Spirit of Lamash: Paintings of Craigie Aitchison 1954-1994' Terrace Gallery, Harewood House, Leeds
- 1996 'Craigie: The Art of Craigie Aitchison', Gallery of Modern Art, Glasgow
- 1998 Timothy Taylor Gallery and Waddington Galleries, London
- 2000 'New Paintings', Ramis Barquet Gallery, New York
- 2001 'Craigie Aitchison', Museum of Modern Art, Wales, Powys
  - 'Craigie Aitchison: Italian and other Paintings', Waddington Galleries, London
- 2003 'Craigie Aitchison', Ingleby Gallery, Edinburgh
  - 'Works on Paper', The Royal Academy of Arts, Friends Room
  - 'Out of the Ordinary', The Royal Academy of Arts, Sackler Wing
  - 'The Print Retrospective', Advanced Graphics London
- 2004 'Pictures', Timothy Taylor Gallery, London
- 2005 'Prints 2000 - 2005', Advanced Graphics London
- 2006 'Recent Work', Waddington Galleries, London
- 2008 'The Art of Craigie Aitchison', Paul Smith 'Space', Tokyo, Japan
  - 'Craigie Aitchison', Cyril Gerber Fine Art, Glasgow
  - 'The Prints 1969 - 2008' (in collaboration with Advanced Graphics London), Abbot Hall Art Gallery, Kendal, Cumbria
- 2009 'Craigie Aitchison: Paintings', Timothy Taylor Gallery, London
  - Current Prints, Advanced Graphics London
- 2010 'Craigie Aitchison', Talbot Rice Gallery, Edinburgh
  - 'Craigie Aitchison', University of Bath, Bath

## SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 1954 'Six Young Contemporaries', Gimpel Fils, London
- 1956 'Three Romantic Painters', Gallery One, London
- 1958-1961 'New Paintings', Arts Council Touring Exhibition
- 1964 Gulbenkian Foundation, Tate Gallery, London
- 1967 'Il Tempo dell'Imagine', Second International Biennale, Bologna
- 1969-1970 Cunard Marlborough London Gallery (on board QE2)
- 1974 'British Painting '74', Hayward Gallery, London
- 1975 Contemporary Art Society Art Fair, Mall Galleries, London
  - 23rd Salon Actualite de l'Esprit, Centre d'Accueil de l'Universite de Paris
- 1979 Artists' Market, London

- 1982 'Prophecy and Vision', Arnolfini Gallery, Bristol
- 1984 'The Proper Study', British Council Exhibition, Lalit Kala Akademi, Delhi
- 1984-1985 'The Singular Vision', Royal Albert Memorial Museum, Exeter
- 1985 'The Hard-Won Image', Tate Gallery, London
- 1987 'The Glass of Vision', Chichester Cathedral
- 1988 'Graven Images: Art, Religion and Politics', Harris Museum and Art Gallery, Preston  
'Jeffrey Camp: A Personal Choice', Nigel Greenwood Gallery, London
- 1989 'Faces of Britain: an Exhibition of Figurative Painting 1949-89 for China', British Council  
'New Ikons', Mead Gallery, University of Warwick (touring)  
'A Spiritual Dimension', Peterborough Museum and Art Gallery (touring)
- 1991 Castlefield Gallery, Manchester; 'Art in Worship', Tewkesbury Abbey, Worcester Cathedral
- 1992 'British Figurative Painting of the 20th Century', Israel Museum, Jerusalem, British Council
- 1993 'Images of Christ', Northampton Museum and Art Gallery;  
St Paul's Cathedral, London, Arts Council touring exhibition
- 1994 'Five Protagonists: Craigie Aitchison, Anthony Eyton, Patrick George, Myles Murphy, Euan Uglow',  
Browse and Darby, London
- 1999 'Baby 2000', Atlantis Gallery, London (for Tommy's Campaign)
- 1999-2009 Various Art Fairs and Exhibitions represented by Advanced Graphics London including:  
London Art Fair, Islington, London  
Contemporary Print Show, Barbican Centre, London  
London Original Print Fair, Royal Academy of Arts, London  
Art on Paper, Royal College of Art, London  
Glasgow Art Fair, George Square, Glasgow  
20/21 British Art Fair, The Royal College of Art and the Commonwealth Institute  
The Print Fair, IFPDA Members, Park Avenue Armory, New York  
Summer Exhibition, Royal Academy of Arts, London
- 2000 'New Publications', Advanced Graphics London; 'Advanced Graphics', Blackheath Gallery, London  
'Yellow', Advanced Graphics London; Summer Exhibition, Royal Scottish Academy, Edinburgh  
'Contemporary Prints from Advanced Graphics London', Roger Billcliffe Gallery, Glasgow  
'Connections 2000', Royal Scottish Academy, Edinburgh
- 2001 'Paintings and Prints by six Royal Academicians', Curwen Gallery, London
- 2003 'London Calling: Screenprints from Advanced Graphics London', Glasgow Print Studio, Glasgow  
'Creeside - Nine Royal Academicians', Advanced Graphics London  
'Advanced Graphics Print Exhibition', West Cork Arts Centre, Skibbereen
- 2004-2009 'New Publications', Advanced Graphics London  
'Paintings in Hospitals Print Portfolio', Friend's Room, Royal Academy of Arts, London (touring)
- 2006 'Little Pictures', Advanced Graphics London  
'Prints from Advanced Graphics London', Friend's Room, Royal Academy of Arts, London
- 2008 'Prints from Royal Academicians', Compass Gallery, Glasgow (in collaboration with Advanced Graphics)
- 2009 'Collectors Prints', Bohun Gallery, Henley on Thames (in collaboration with Advanced Graphics London)  
'Craigie Aitchison with John D Edwards and Jane Poulton', Wet Paint Gallery, Cirencester  
'Advanced Graphics London', Caterham School, Surrey
- 2010 "A Critic's Choice selected by Andrew Lambirth," Browse & Darby, London  
"Easter Image: Craigie Aitchison & Maggi Hambling," The Kentish Barn, Canterbury Cathedral, Kent  
"Cross Purposes; shock and contemplation in images of the crucifixion," Mascalls Gallery, Paddock Wood, Kent
- 2019 'Craigie Aitchison and the Beaux Arts Generation', Piano Nobile, London

#### AWARDS

- 1953 Slade School of Art, annual prize for best still-life
- 1955 British Council Italian Government Scholarship
- 1965 Arts Council of Great Britain, purchase award
- 1970 Edwin Austin Abbey Premier Scholarship
- 1974 John Moores Exhibition, Walker Art Gallery, Liverpool, prizewinner
- 1974-1975 Lorne Scholarship
- 1976 Arts Council of Great Britain bursary
- 1984 First Johnson Wax Prize, Royal Academy of Arts
- 1989 Korn Ferry International Award, Royal Academy of Arts
- 1994 The Jerwood Prize
- 2000 AXA Art Award for printmaking, Royal Academy of Arts

SELECTED COLLECTIONS

Aberdeen Art Gallery and Museum; Arts Council of Great Britain; British Council; Contemporary Art Society; De Beers Contemporary Art Collection; Glasgow Museums and Art Galleries; Grundy Art Gallery; Harewood House, Leeds; Jerwood Foundation; Lillie Art Gallery, Scotland; National Art Collections Fund; Newcastle Region Art Gallery, New South Wales, Australia; Newport Art Gallery; Nottingham Castle Museum and Art Gallery; Robert Fleming Holdings; Royal Academy of Arts; Rugby Borough Council; Scottish Arts Council; Scottish National Gallery of Modern Art; South African National Gallery; Tate Gallery; University College, London; Truro Cathedral commission, Cornwall; University of Liverpool Art Gallery and Collections