

Lee Johnson

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Curriculum Vitae

EDUCATION

MA Fine Art Central Saint Martins School of Art, 2000 - 2001

BA (Hons) Graphic Arts & Design Leeds Metropolitan University, 1994 - 1997

COMPETITIONS & AWARDS

Contemporary British Painting Prize Finalist, Huddersfield Art Gallery, 2023

Lido Stores Open First Prize Winner, Lido Stores Margate, 2021

John Moores Painting Prize Exhibiting Artist, Walker Art Gallery, Liverpool, 2010

Arts Council England Touring Exhibitions Award, 2006; and Individual Artist Award, 2005

Lexmark European Art Prize UK Finalist, 2004

Centre of Attention Art Prize Finalist, London, 2004

Yorkshire Arts Year of the Artist Award, 2000; and Individual Artist Award, 1999

Pizza Express Art Prize Finalist, 1999

SELECTED EXHIBITIONS (* denotes solo exhibition, » denotes curated exhibition)

Prose Painters - The Euston Road School HYPHA Studios, London, upcoming November 2025»

Unsupported Networks Thames-Side Studios Gallery, London, upcoming September 2025»

Welcome to the Dementia Garden Halesworth Gallery, Suffolk, upcoming August 2025*

Blink And You Miss It 7 Felt, Safehouse 1, London, upcoming April 2025

Sunny-Side Up Close LTD, Somerset, upcoming March 2025

Cat Show Thames-Side Studios Gallery, London, upcoming March 2025

Clinging On TWO-PLUS-TWO, London, upcoming March 2025

Paper Tower Specific Objects Projects, London, January 2025

Nocturnes Lyndsey Ingram Gallery, Mayfair, London, January 2025

London Art Fair Circle Contemporary Gallery, London, January 2025

Winter Show The Lido Stores, Margate, 2024-25

Worlds Still On A Wire Canal Boat Contemporary, London, 2024

Autumn Circle Contemporary Gallery, Cornwall, 2024

Blink And You Miss It 6 At Home With The Copelands, Safehouse 1, London, 2024»

STEEP / SCATTER TWO-PLUS-TWO, London, 2024

Dancing About Architecture HYPHA Studios, London, 2024»

Touch-paper Terrace Gallery, London, 2024»

Unconsumed II The Shoe Factory, Norwich, 2024

Fierce Scandal The Lido Stores, Margate, 2024

A Room With A View Vardan Gallery, Los Angeles, USA, 2023-24

Design for a Sweater Paintings Paul Smith, Albemarle Street, London, 2023-24*

Contemporary British Painting Prize Thames-Side Studios Gallery, London, 2023

Poison OHS Projects, New Oxford Street, London, 2023

And One Day the Apple Fell BlackBox, University of Creative Arts, Farnham, 2023

Canal Boat Art Fair Broadway Market London, 2023

Contemporary British Painting Prize Huddersfield Art Gallery, Huddersfield, 2023

Darker Than A Blackbird's Retina Terrace Gallery, Huddersfield, 2023

Tailored Perspectives MAH Gallery x Drake's Savile Row, London, 2023

I'll Meet You There 571 Gallery, Reading, 2023

A Generous Space III Huddersfield Art Gallery, Huddersfield, 2023
Stone City Fringe Arts Bath, 2023
Post-Post-War OHS Projects, New Oxford Street, London, 2023
Dog Show Thames-Side Studios Gallery, London, 2023
Unconsumed The Shoe Factory, Norwich, 2023
Sugar Cube II Lido Stores, Margate, 2022
Conversations in Colour Pilgrims Contemporary, London, 2022
Cloversheaf Petersham Nurseries, London, 2022
Oxmarket Contemporary Open Oxmarket Contemporary, Chichester, 2022
People / Places / Objects Lido Stores, Margate, 2022*
A Rainbow's Edge TIN MAN ART, London, 2022
Worlds on A Wire Unit 3 Projects, London, 2022
The Art Of Manufacturing Paris (touring Munich, Amsterdam, Madrid, Dallas, London), 2022
A Generous Space Hastings Contemporary, Hastings, 2021-22
Studio Confetti Terrace Gallery, London, 2021
Between The Bliss And Me TIN MAN ART, London, 2021
Painting Show Christie's Education London, London, 2019
Depict The Mask Carlsberg Byens Galleri & Kunstsalon, Copenhagen, Denmark, 2018
Got It For Cheap Atlanta Contemporary, USA, 2018 (then touring)
Paper Cuts Saatchi Gallery, London (then touring), 2018
Art Language Location Kettle's Yard, Cambridge, 2016 (collaboration with Adam Bridgland)
Shots Off The Dices Nicholas Thompson Gallery, Melbourne, Australia, 2015
RadioCity - Internal Broadcast Tate Britain, London, 2015
We Are The Fragments The Tabernacle, London, 2012»
Bad Art Salon, Royal Festival Hall, London, 2011
John Moores Painting Prize Walker Art Gallery, Liverpool, 2010
Free Art Fair Barbican, London, 2009; and Seymour Place 2007 and 2008
The Works Of Others, Whitechapel Gallery, London, 2006
Reg Dwight Visits 1409 Sul Ross, St. Paul's Gallery, London, 2006* (works made in collaboration)
High Risk Painting Northern Gallery for Contemporary Art, Sunderland, 2006
Thirteen Stories Deptford X, London, and books launch Whitechapel Project Space, London, 2005
All At Once, Together, At The Same Time Colony Gallery, Birmingham, 2005
Twinned City Three Colts Gallery, London, 2005 * (works made in collaboration)
Unrealised Projects 1000000mph, London, 2004 (work made in collaboration)
Field Of Vision: New York The Lab Gallery, New York, 2004
Scenes In Perspective ArtTower Agora, Athens, 2003
Narcissism: Self Love To Death Gozo Contemporary, Malta, 2003
The Painting Class Lethaby Gallery, London, 2002

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Brief Artist Biography

Lee Johnson (b. 1975, Wiltshire), has lived and worked in London since 2000. He received his MA Fine Art from Central Saint Martins School of Art in 2001, and his works are held in the collections of Soho House; Kettle's Yard, Cambridge; University of the Arts London; and numerous private collections worldwide (including UK, Denmark, France, Germany, Italy, USA, and Australia).

Johnson was selected for the prestigious John Moores Painting Prize in 2010, and the Contemporary British Painting Prize in 2023, and was the winner of the inaugural Lido Stores Open, Margate in 2021.

Exhibitions in public institutions in the UK include Tate Britain; Hastings Contemporary; Kettle's Yard, Cambridge; Walker Art Gallery, Liverpool; Northern Gallery for Contemporary Art, Sunderland; and Huddersfield Art Gallery. Johnson has also exhibited in many private galleries worldwide, including Lyndsey Ingram, London; Nicholas Thompson Gallery, Melbourne, Australia; Carlsberg Byens Galleri & Kunstsalon, Copenhagen, Denmark; ArTower Agora, Athens, Greece; Gozo Contemporary, Malta.