

JOHN BLACKBURN

(b.1932 - 2022)

1932	Born Luton, Bedfordshire, UK
1950-52	Maidenhead School of Art
1952-54	National Service Royal Air Force
1954-62	Lived in New Zealand and the Pacific Islands

- Short-listed for the Gregory Fellowship in Painting at University of Leeds
- Completed 3,400 Mile Charity Walk around coast of England, Scotland and Wales
- Has taught at Thanet School of Art and Canterbury College of Technology
- Creation of Manufacturing Company in 1979, Canterbury Bears
- Elected Fellow of The Chartered Society of Designers, 1994
- Elected Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts 1995

SELECTED EXHIBITIONS:

2024	Reminisce, ARTIS Gallery, Auckland, New Zealand
2023	90 Years, ARTIS Gallery, Auckland, New Zealand
2022	An Unbroken Duality – Blackburn & Lovell, ARTIS
2021	Extended Stay - ARTIS
2020	Parallel Reflections - Blackburn & Fountain, ARTIS
2019	All Fired Up – Blackburn & Lovell, ARTIS
2018	Two Modernists – Blackburn & Panyoczki, ARTIS
2017	Mayfair to Muriwai, ARTIS Gallery, Auckland
2016	Intimate Works ARTIS Gallery, Auckland, NZ
	Osborne Samuel Gallery, Mayfair, London, UK
	The Open Eye Gallery, Edinburgh
	Ronnie Duncan Gallery, Ilkley, Yorkshire UK
2015	Inspiration ARTIS Gallery, Auckland, NZ
2014	<i>In Absentia</i> ARTIS Gallery, Auckland, NZ
2013	Osborne Samuel Gallery, Mayfair, London, UK
2012	Mt Maunganui Paper Suite, ARTIS Gallery, Auckland NZ
2011	In the Shadow of the Mount, ARTIS Gallery, Auckland NZ
2010	The Muriwai Paintings, ARTIS Gallery, Auckland NZ
	John Blackburn: Paintings, Lemon Street Gallery, Truro, Cornwall
2009	Back After All These Years, ARTIS Gallery, Auckland NZ
	Osborne Samuel Gallery, London
	Paulnache Gallery, Gisborne NZ
2007	Metropole Gallery Folkestone
	Osborne Samuel Gallery, London



SOLO & GROUP EXHIBITIONS: 1960-1980:

Circle Gallery, Auckland, New Zealand Woodstock Gallery, London Arnolfini Gallery, Bristol Dillwyn Gallery, Swansea Benet Gallery, Cambridge (twice) Absolom and Centre Designs, Bath Clare College Music Room, Cambridge Halifax House, Oxford Rutherford College, University of Kent at Canterbury Dunelm House, Durham Senior Staff Common Room, University of Bristol Traverse Theatre Club, Edinburgh Gulbenkian Theatre, University of Kent at Canterbury Dorset Institute of Higher Education, Weymouth The Midland Group, Nottingham Benet Gallery, Cambridge

PRIVATE COLLECTIONS:

Included in Private Collections in England, Scotland, Ireland, Wales, Finland, Switzerland, France, New Zealand, USA and Sweden.

PUBLIC COLLECTIONS:

Cambridge University: Kings; Magdelene; Clare; Jesus; Girton; Gonville & Caius, University of Kent: Rutherford College, Royal College of Physicians - London
The British Embassy in Paris (on loan from Kettles Yard)
Linacre House - Oxford, Essex University, Newcastle University, Dublin University - Kettles Yard, University of Cambridge (permanent and loan collections) The Bank of Ireland - London