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TWENTY-TWO THOUSAND POSTER SITES ACROSS THE UK CREATE THE WORLD’S LARGEST ART SHOW

The nation’s favourite British art selected from a longlist from the UK’s public collections is announced today and will be part of a vast exhibition, entitled Art Everywhere, that will go on display on thousands of poster and billboard sites across the UK from 12-25 August 2013.

With over 30,000 Facebook likes and over a thousand individual donations, people from around the world have helped to create the world’s largest art show. Votes and donations came from far and wide including Europe, North and South America and Asia as well as the UK.

A projected audience of 90% of the UK’s adult population, from Banff & Buchan in Scotland to Torbay in Devon, and from Lowestoft in Suffolk to Belfast in Northern Ireland, will enjoy beautiful art instead of advertising for two weeks this summer.

Cities, towns and villages of England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland will see poster sites ranging from billboards to bus stops transformed into artworks across high streets, major roads, tube, train and metro stations, supermarkets, shopping malls, office buildings, cinemas, health clubs and bars. 2000 London buses and 1000 black cabs will transport the artworks around the city on view for passengers as they navigate the streets.

Using image-recognition and augmented reality technology via Blipparr, each physical poster will be interactive, enabling the public to point their phones at the art to access instantaneous information about each piece, visit the collection and socially share their favourites. Prints of many of the artworks can also be bought through the site via project partner, Easyart, with all profits going to the artist and Art Everywhere.

The public’s top 10 artworks in the final list of works range from two outstanding 19th century paintings, Waterhouse’s The Lady of Shalott and Millais’ Ophelia, to Turner’s, The Fighting Temeraire, L. S. Lowry’s Going to the Match and the sculptural installation, Cold Dark Matter, by Cornelia Parker.

Cornelia Parker, the only living artist in the top ten said: “I am absolutely delighted that the British public have voted my work Cold Dark Matter: An Exploded View into the top ten. It’s a fantastic project and to see my work reproduced on posters across the UK is fulfilling a long held fantasy!”
The project is supported by many leading artists including Damien Hirst who said: “Art is for everyone, and everyone who has access to it will benefit from it. This project is amazing and gives the public a voice and an opportunity to choose what they want to see on their streets”

Contemporary artist Bob & Roberta Smith supported Art Everywhere by designing limited edition artworks as rewards for donations to the project through the crowd-funding scheme, exclusively available through the campaign. Bob and Roberta Smith said: “Art Everywhere is an amazing project. Quietly it marks a revolution in the reach and relevance of art. Art Everywhere is not just for people in the know, or for artists or for gallery goers. Art Everywhere is for everyone. I think Art Everywhere is the most important initiative in visual art since the opening of Tate Modern. In one hour the number of people who will see Art Everywhere will exceed the number of people who visited our great public art galleries in the whole of last year! People will discover new artists. I hope kids will be inspired to study art and to go to art school.”

Art Everywhere is a collaborative project between Richard Reed, (co-founder of Innocent Drinks), the Art Fund, Tate, the poster industry, and 101 creative agency. Working with Posterscope and Vizeum, the poster industry has donated tens of thousands of sites; media owners involved include Clearchannel, CBS Outdoor, JC Decaux, Ocean Outdoor and Primesight.

Richard Reed initiated the idea for Art Everywhere. His passion for the arts led to the idea of having a public celebration across Britain. He said: “This is a joyful project with no agenda other than to flood our streets with art and celebrate the creative talents and legacy of the UK”. Tate Director, Sir Nicholas Serota said: “Tate is delighted to have partnered with Art Everywhere to reach audiences across the UK with much-loved art from public collections. It is a huge achievement made possible by the generosity of the poster advertising industry and the enthusiasm of Richard Reed. This ambitious project has given everyone the chance to take part in a national celebration of British art.”

Stephen Deuchar, Director of the Art Fund said: “The Art Fund is all about thousands of people coming together to bring great art into people’s lives. Based on the same premise, Art Everywhere is putting beautiful images of the best of British art directly onto the streets of towns and cities across the nation. It's a celebration of national creative talent - our artists across the centuries, and the hundreds of museums and galleries who show their work to the public.”

Notes for Editors


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LADY OF SHALOTT IS THE PUBLIC’S FAVOURITE PAINTING

Leading artist, Sir Peter Blake, creator of the Sgt Pepper album cover, will launch Art Everywhere, which will showcase the nation’s favourite British art on tens of thousands of poster sites across the UK for two weeks from 12 – 25 August 2013.

Cities, towns and villages across England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland will become the world’s largest gallery when poster sites ranging from billboards to bus stops will become artworks on high streets, major roads, tube and train stations, supermarkets and shopping malls.

Sir Peter will unveil his work, The Meeting or Have a Nice Day Mr Hockney on the giant outdoor billboard at Westfield Shopping Centre to launch the project.

The works, which have been selected by the public from the national collection of British art, include popular favourites by artists including Holbein, Turner, Gainsborough, Constable, Millais, Lowry, Whistler, Bacon, Freud, Tracey Emin and Damien Hirst. The top 10 ranges widely from two outstanding Pre-Raphaelite paintings, The Lady of Shalott and Ophelia to Turner’s masterpiece, The Fighting Temeraire, and LS Lowry popular Going to the Match. More surprising choices are Gassed by John Singer Sargent and Francis Bacon’s Head VI. The list includes 23 contemporary works.

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Art Everywhere: The Public’s Choice

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2. Sir John Everett Millais, Ophelia, 1851-2, Tate
3. Francis Bacon, Head VI, 1949, Arts Council Collection
4. John Singer Sargent, Gassed, 1919, Imperial War Museum
5. Lucian Freud, Man’s Head (Self Portrait I), 1963, Whitworth Art Gallery
7. Alfred Wallis, Five Ships, Mount’s Bay c 1928, Kettle’s Yard, Cambridge
8. L. S. Lowry, Going to the Match, 1953, Professional Footballers’ Association
10. Cornelia Parker, Cold Dark Matter: An Exploded View, 1991, Tate
11. Patrick Caulfield, After Lunch, 1975, Tate
12. Lucian Freud, *Girl with a Kitten*, 1947, Tate
15. Tacita Dean, *Majesty*, 2006, Tate
17. Edward Burra, *The Snack Bar*, 1930, Tate
22. George Frederic Watts and assistants, *Hope*, 1886, Tate
23. Barbara Hepworth, *Pelagos*, 1946, Tate
25. Chris Ofili, *No Woman, No Cry*, 1997, Tate
27. Peter Blake, *Sgt Pepper’s Lonely Hearts Club Band*, 1967, V&A
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Glen Wilson, Managing Director, Posterscope

“Out of Home advertising is part of our everyday lives in the UK. It’s our journey to and from work, whether it by road, rail or foot. It’s our weekly shopping trip, our visit to the gym and our nights out. In this context, the big idea of taking works of art that, as citizens, we all own,
and literally putting Art Everywhere proved irresistible. For the first time virtually the entire UK Out of Home industry has collaborated together to celebrate the fantastic creative heritage of our country in the country’s most democratic medium.”

Richard Morris, Managing Director, Vizeum

“Vizeum is proud and excited to be part of this incredible idea. Transforming advertising spaces into art spaces is a wonderful concept and one we’re confident will put a smile on the face of the nation”

Mark Elwood, Creative Director, 101 Creative Agency

“The Art Fund were a founding client of 101, we’ve also had a deep involvement with TATE for many years, so you could say arts marketing is in our DNA. So when Richard Reed approached us to get involved it was an easy decision. We’re passionate about ideas so being able to contribute to the project and produce beautiful creative work has made being a part of Art Everywhere truly special. It’s a great celebration of British creativity and being able to respond to the public’s love of great British artists' work.”

Marc Lickfett, Managing Director, Easyart

“What Art Everywhere is doing on a massive scale is really an art lovers dream and we were immediately eager to take part in the project. Being the UK’s leading art printer and retailer we already work with most of the UK’s major museums and are perfectly set up to support Art Everywhere. Our staff loved the weeks they spent working on the project pro bono and building the Art Everywhere website. Donating our profit on sales of the Art Everywhere images from easyart.com to help make the exhibition happen was really a no brainer.”

Jess Butcher, Co-founder and CMO, Blippar

“Blippar is thrilled to be part of such an ambitious, exciting campaign to bring the best of British art to everyone in the UK. We are proud to have been invited to contribute our cutting-edge technology to the campaign - enabling each of the famous, iconic works of art to be instantaneously brought to digital life via mobile image-recognition/ augmented reality technology simply by 'looking at them' through a smart device. “
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Fact Sheet

Artists, artworks and collections

There are 23 contemporary, 15 modern and 19 pre-20th century works in the final list.

21% of the artists are female - 12 in total.

The works in the final list come from 28 UK public collections.

Museums and galleries across the UK have been extremely generous in giving permission for works to be displayed – including the National Gallery, National Portrait Gallery, Whitworth Gallery, Manchester Galleries, National Gallery of Scotland and many more.

Full list:

- Aberdeen Art Gallery
- Arts Council Collection
- Birmingham Museum & Art Gallery
- Derby Museum and Art Gallery
- Government Art Collection
- Imperial War Museum
- Kettle's Yard, University of Cambridge
- Laing Art Gallery
- Manchester Art Gallery
- Manchester City Galleries
- mima Middlesbrough Institute of Modern Art
- National Galleries of Scotland
- Professional Footballers' Association
- Royal Albert Memorial Museum
- Scottish National Gallery of Modern Art
- Stanley Spencer Gallery
- Tate
- The National Gallery
- The New Art Gallery Walsall
- The Royal Agricultural University
- The Royal Collection
- UCL Art Museum
- Victoria and Albert Museum
- Walker Art Gallery
- WAVE: Wolverhampton Art Gallery
- Whitworth Art Gallery

Project reach
There are 22K sites in total, of which 18,000 are poster sites.

90% of the UK’s adult population will have 15 opportunities each to see the artworks.

There are posters in every country in the United Kingdom: England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland.

The ad space used for the project has an estimated value of over £3,000,000

**Fundraising**

The project has raised £131,343 and the British public donated the biggest share of £35,982 - 28% (figures true of 6th August).

There have been over 1000 individual donations to Art Everywhere.

The money raised through public donations following the launch of the project will go towards print production costs and back to the UK’s museum and galleries via the Art Fund.

The public were invited to become a patron by donating as little as £3 to the project through the Art Everywhere website and by text donations

The different donation levels and their rewards through the crowd-funding scheme are:

- 3+ – downloadable PDF campaign poster
- £15+ - limited edition badges by artist Bob & Robert Smith
- £21+ - limited edition tote bag by artist Bob & Robert Smith
- £30+ - limited edition T-Shirt by artist Bob & Robert Smith
- £75+ - limited edition print by artist Bob & Robert Smith
- £60+ - a large 6-sheet poster
- £450+ - a billboard sized poster

All the project partners – Richard Reed, the Art Fund & Tate contributed £15 to the project

**Selection of works:**

There were 30,000 Facebook likes in total

The public was invited to choose their favourite artworks from a long list published on the Art Everywhere site by liking them via Facebook.

The long list was selected by a committee taking 50 works from each of the selected UK public collections and reducing them to a long list of just over 100.

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