

## Woolwich Contemporary Print Fair 21 – 24 November 2024

*Woolwich Works, The Fireworks Factory, Royal Arsenal, London SE18 6HD*



***'From major names (think Tracey Emin, Grayson Perry, David Shrigley, Paula Rego, and the Chapman Brothers) to rising stars, there are a host of inspiring prints to peruse and purchase—many at accessible price points for budding art enthusiasts'—Tatler***

The 9th Edition of Woolwich Contemporary Print Fair will open 21-24 November 2024 at Woolwich Works in London's historic Royal Arsenal. The largest international art fair dedicated to highly collectible contemporary print, WCPF continues to be the pioneer in the world of original print, pushing the boundaries of this diverse medium and situating it within the wider context of contemporary art.



"We are so excited to be welcoming back old friends and introducing new faces for 2024. In anticipation of our big 10th year in 2025, we are working with some exciting partners to give a taster of what's to come with new releases and big names, while the introduction of a very special VIP programme has really refined our offering for this autumn. We are delighted to partner up for a second year with interior design charity, United in Design, whose outreach and objectives very much parallel our own in providing a platform for young people and emerging creatives; while our philanthropic project, Young London Print Prize will expand again to deliver fine art workshops to over 2000 primary school children across some of London's poorest boroughs." – Lizzie Glendinning, Co-Founder

Visitors can look forward to leading galleries and highly collectible names from **Tracey Emin** and **David Hockney** to **Grayson Perry** and **Gavin Turk**; exclusive launches from the likes of **David Shrigley**, while the annual Curated Hang is comprised of artwork by successful applications from an international artist open call. The Fair creates a curated and accessible platform for all types of collectors to discover the very best in original print from living artists.

Returning to the Fair in 2024 are Anise Gallery, Atelier Rose & Gray, Brocket Gallery, Blue Shop Gallery, Eames Fine Art, East London Printmakers, Graphic Studio Dublin, Jealous, Julian Page, Oliver Projects, Paul Stolper Gallery, Paupers Press, Rabley Gallery, Rhodes Editions, TAG Fine Arts, Thames-Side Studios and Bonhams, with more galleries to be announced.





The open call for this year's annual Curated Hang will launch from 1 April – 26 May with shortlisted artists announced 18 June, bringing high quality, new and unexpected work into the Fair, while platforming independent, up-and-coming, global artists. To keep the selection completely democratic and fresh for each edition, the selection panel of industry experts changes annually, and the works are carefully reviewed individually, anonymously on a piece-by-piece basis. This year they welcome a truly international panel including interior designer, Tolu Adèckó, celebrated US artist, Simonette Quamina as well as leading international collectors and institutions including the Royal College of Art and Bonhams.

This year sees the return of Fair favourites, and welcomes some new exhibitors including Soho Revue. The hotly anticipated Launch Space will introduce collectors to exclusive limited edition prints from some of the world's leading galleries, with names to be announced. WCPF will host its New Collectors Evening on Thursday 21 November, offering an inclusive experience for both new and seasoned collectors to take in the Fair with walking tours, a live DJ set and a return performance from the popular Art Laughs collective.

The 9th edition will also bring many firsts for the Fair, with the inception of the WCPF Public Art Trail. Launching one week prior to the opening, free for all and featuring exceptional installation works presented locally in the area around Woolwich Works the trail gives visitors and local residents the chance to enjoy groundbreaking public art in the historic surroundings of London's Royal Arsenal.

Visitors can also anticipate the addition of an expanded VIP programme, with extra perks for VIP ticket holders including a VIP lounge area, exclusive events and early access to limited edition releases.

As a leading platform for revolutionising print within the art world, November's Fair will share the most exciting new developments in print technology, from 3-D printed work, automated reality, and traditional paper and fabricated pieces, showcasing the most pioneering, boundary-pushing creative work in this field.



After a hugely successful debut in 2023, WCPF will once again partner with United in Design. Showcasing an exclusive booth, designed and presented by an emerging interior design talent, the collaboration with UiD amplifies the diversity and inclusivity at the heart of WCPF's ethos.

Established by designers Alexandria Dauley and Sophie Ashby, United in Design's ongoing mission is to offer an equal opportunity pathway for entry into the Interior Design industry for people from Black, Asian, ethnic minority and socio-economically disadvantaged backgrounds.

The UiD partnership with WCPF works to platform emerging design talent, selected by a panel of industry experts, by providing support in the creative process and a booth at the annual Fair to showcase their design vision. The 2023 WCPF X UiD design booth platformed the impressive talents of Yeji Son, following her placement with David Collins Studio earlier in the year.

***"We always look forward to when a United in Design apprentice joins the studio, as we know that we are going to be working alongside some incredible talent." – David Collins***

Each year, Woolwich Contemporary Print Fair offers international open call applicants the opportunity to present a proposal for an ambitious, large-scale print-based installation that pushes the possibilities of printmaking, challenges preconceptions of what a print is, and discovers new innovative approaches to print display and exhibition. This year Atlanta based multi-disciplinary artist Sergio Suarez, whose practice spans ceramics, painting and printmaking, will be working on a bespoke piece that will be unveiled at the Fair.

Established by gallerists Jack Bullen and Lizzie Glendinning, WCPF presents a truly distinctive art fair environment, as accessible as it is specialist, catering to budding art enthusiasts and seasoned art collectors alike. Located at London's historic Royal Arsenal, the Fair is now easily reachable from Central London via the Elizabeth Line. The go-to destination for all things contemporary print. Where Art Meets Life.

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