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FRANK BOWLING OBE, RA CV

Born February 1934
Bartica, Essequibo, British Guiana

Education

1959-1962
Royal College of Arts, London
Slade School of Arts, London University

1957-1959
Regent Street Polytechnic, Chelsea School of Art

Solo Exhibitions

2019
Retrospective, Tate Britain, London, UK (forthcoming)
Hales London, UK (forthcoming)

2018
Christian Larsson, Stockholm
Make it New, Alexander Grey Associates, New York, USA
Mappa Mundi, Irish Museum of Modern Art, Dublin, Ireland (touring to Sharjah Art Foundation, Sharjah, UAE)

2017
Mappa Mundi, Haus der Kunst, Germany
Fishes, Wishes in Summertime Blue, Hales Gallery, London, UK
Metropolitanblooms, Hales Project Room, New York, USA

2016
New White Paintings, Hampstead School of Art, London, UK

2015
Frank Bowling: The Poured Paintings, Hales Gallery, London
Frank Bowling: Map Paintings, Dallas Museum of Art, USA
Frank Bowling: Right Here. Right Now. Triangle Space and Cookhouse Galleries, Chelsea College of Art, London, UK
Frank Bowling, Marc Selwyn Fine Art, California, USA

2014-2015
Traingone, Paintings by Frank Bowling 1979-96, Spritmuseum, Stockholm, Sweden

2014
Frank Bowling: At 80, Spanierman Modern, New York, USA

2013
The Map Paintings 1967-1971, Hales Gallery, London
Paintings 1967-2012, Spanierman Modern, New York, USA

2012
Drop, Roll, Slide, Drip... Frank Bowling's Poured Paintings 1973-8, Focus Display, Tate Britain, London, UK

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Frank Bowling New Paintings, Spanierman Modern, New York, NY, USA
Frank Bowling Recent Small Paintings, Chris Dyson Gallery, London, UK
Frank Bowling Recent Large Paintings, Hales Gallery, London, UK

2011

Frank Bowling Works on Paper, Royal Academy of Arts, UK (to celebrate the launch of Frank Bowling monograph by Mel Gooding)
Recent Works, Rollo Contemporary Art, London, UK
CROSSINGS – From New Amsterdam, Berbice to New Amsterdam, New York via Holland and London, Rollo Contemporary Art, London, UK
Enter the Dragon – Frank Bowling large works from the 80s, Hales Gallery, London, UK

2010

Frank Bowling Solo Survey Exhibition: Paintings 1974 - 2010, Spanierman Modern, New York, NY, USA
Frank Bowling - Recent Paintings, Rollo Contemporary Art, London, UK

2009

Frank Bowling, OBE, RA: Paintings, Winchester Discovery Centre, Winchester, Hampshire, UK
Light And Water; Frank Bowling RA Big Paintings, Clifford Chance, Canary Wharf, London, UK
Zippers, New Pictures 2009, Rollo Contemporary, London, UK

2008

Big Paintings, The Gallery, The Arts Institute at Bournemouth, Dorset, UK
University of Wolverhampton, School of Art
Pond life and other paintings, Poussin Gallery, London, UK
New York Works, Rollo Contemporary Art, London, UK
G. R. N'Namdi Galleries (Detroit, Chicago, New York), USA

2007

Peg Alston Fine Arts, New York, NY, USA
The Arts Club, Dover Street, London, in collaboration with Rollo Contemporary Art

2006-7

Franks Colour, Sir Hugh Casson Room for Friends of the Royal Academy, Royal Academy of Arts, London, UK

2006

G.R. N'Namdi Gallery, Chicago, USA
G.R. N'Namdi Gallery, New York, NY, USA
The White Paintings, Rollo Contemporary Art, London, UK
ArtSway, Sway, Hampshire, UK

2005

Peg Alston Fine Arts, New York, NY, USA
Full of Light, G.R. N'Namdi Gallery, Detroit, MI, USA

2004

Heidi Cho Gallery, Chelsea, New York, NY, USA
4 Decades with Color, The Philips Museum of Art, Franklin & Marshall College, Lancaster, PA, USA
Sande Webster Gallery, Philadelphia, PA, USA
Broadbent Gallery, London, UK

2003

Outfitters gallery, Margate, Kent, UK

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G.R N'Namdi Gallery, Detroit, MI, USA
Bending the Grid, Aljira, A Centre For The Arts, Newark, NJ, USA
Skoto Gallery, Chelsea, New York, NY, USA
What's Underneath, Delibar, Charterhouse Street, London, UK

2002

Peg Alston Fine Arts, New York, USA

2001

Georgetown Gallery of Art, Washington, D.C, USA
UFA Gallery, Chelsea, New York, NY, USA
Rohde und Nerlich, Berlin, Germany

2000

G.R. N'Namidi Gallery, Chicago, USA
G.R. N'Namidi Gallery, Birmingham, MI, USA
Peg Alston Fine Arts, New York, NY, USA

1999

UFA Galley, Chelsea, New York, NY, USA

1998

Rush Arts Gallery, New York, NY, USA

1997

Gallery 11, University of Bradford, Bradford, Yorkshire, UK
DE LA WARR Pavilion, Bexhill on Sea, East Sussex, UK
South Hill Park Arts Centre, Bracknell, Berkshire, UK
The Herbert Art Museum & Gallery, Coventry, UK
Midlands Art Centre, Birmingham, UK
The Cut Gallery, Waterloo, London, UK
The YAA Asantewaa Arts Centre, Paddington, London, UK
Center for Arts & Culture, Skylight Gallery, Restoration Plaza, Brooklyn, New York, NY, USA
Camille Love Gallery, Atlanta, Georgia, USA
Christiane Nienaber Gallery, New York, NY, USA

1996

Bowling Through The Century, 6 Venues Leicester City Gallery, Leicester, UK

1995

AFTU/ Bill Hodges Gallery, New York, NY, USA
The Cut Gallery, Waterloo, London, UK

1993

National Academy of Sciences, Washington, D.C, USA
Heimatmuseum, Eckernforde, Schleswig Holstein, Germany

1991

Wilmer Jennings at Kenkeleba, New York, NY, USA

1990

The Royal West of England Academy, Bristol, UK

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1989

Tibor de Nagy Gallery, New York, NY, USA
Bowling Through The Decade, University Art Gallery, Reading, UK

1988

Castlefield Gallery, Manchester, UK
Municipal Art Gallery, Limerick, Ireland, UK
Crawford Art Gallery, Cork, Ireland, UK
The Senate House, University of Liverpool, UK

1986

Serpentine Gallery, London
Tibor de Nagy Gallery, New York, NY, USA
Arcade Gallery, Harrogate, UK

1983

Tibor de Nagy Gallery, New York, NY, USA

1982

Tibor de Nagy Gallery, New York, NY, USA

1981

Vecu, Antwerp, Belgium

1980

Tibor de Nagy Gallery, New York, NY, USA

1979

Tibor de Nagy Gallery, New York, NY, USA

1978

Frank Bowling Retrospective, Newcastle up Tyne Polytechnic Art Gallery, Newcastle, UK

1977

William Darby, London, UK
Acme Gallery, London, Selected Paintings 1976-77, UK

1976

Watson/ de Nagy & Company, Houston, Texas, USA

1975

Tibor de Nagy Gallery, New York, NY, USA
William Darby, London, UK

1974

Noah Goldowsky Gallery, New York, NY, USA

1973-74

Gallery Center for Inter-American Relations, New York, NY, USA

1971

Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, NY, USA

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1966

Terry Dintenfass, New York, NY, USA

1963

Grabowski Gallery, London, UK

1962

Grabowski Gallery, London, UK

Selected Group Exhibitions

2018

Seven, Newington Gallery, London, UK

Soul of a Nation: Art in the Age of Black Power, Crystal Bridges, Arkansas, USA (touring to Brooklyn Museum, New York, USA)

2017

Impulse!, Pace, London, UK

Soul of a Nation: Art in the Age of Black Power, Tate Modern, London, UK

Summer Exhibition, Royal Academy of Arts, London, UK

Thinking Out Loud: Notes for an Evolving Collection, The Warehouse, Dallas, USA

2016

Circa 1970, Studio Museum Harlem, New York, USA

Land, Sea and Air, New Art Gallery Walsall, West Midlands, UK

Postwar - Art between the Pacific and Atlantic 1945-65, Haus der Kunst, Munich

2015

Pretty Raw: After and Around Helen Frankenthaler, The Rose Art Museum, Brandeis University, Massachusetts, USA

A Marriage of Styles: Pop to Abstraction, Mascalls Gallery, Paddock Wood, UK

Affecting Presence and the Pursuit of Delicious Experiences, The Menil Collection, Houston, Texas, USA

2014

I Cheer a Dead Man's Sweatheart, De la Warr Pavilion, Bexhill on Sea, UK

Caribbean: Crossroads of the World, Perez Art Museum Miami, USA

Witness: Art and Civil Rights in the Sixties, Brooklyn Museum, Brooklyn USA

2013

Grit to Gold: Collaging the Abstract, Frank Bowling OBE, RA, John Bunker, Scott O'Rourke, Standpoint Gallery, London, UK

BP Walk Through British Art, Tate Gallery, London, UK

2012

Fifteen Contemporary Artists represented by Spanierman Gallery, Spanierman Gallery, New York, NY, USA

British Design 1948-2012. Innovation in the Modern age, Victoria and Albert Museum, London, UK

Frank Bowling and Dennis DeCaires, University of Glyndwr, Wrexham, North Wales, UK

A Family Affair, Cello Factory, London, UK

Bowling's Friends, Cello Factory, London, UK

Migrations, Tate Britain, London, UK

New Possibilities: Abstract Paintings from the Seventies, The Piper Gallery, London, UK

Solomon. Boxer: Bowling, Syd Simon, Stanley Boxer and Frank Bowling, Spanierman Modern, New York, NY, USA

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2011

Bowling'screw, Painters, The Cello Factory, London, UK
Frank Bowling & Graham Miles: Paintings, The Cello Factory, London UK
Royal Academy Summer Exhibition, Burlington House, London, UK

2010

Abstract Relations, University of Delaware, University Museums Mechanical Hall Gallery, Delaware, USA
African American Masters of Abstraction, Anita Shapolsky Gallery, New York, NY, USA
Afro Modern: Journeys through the Black Atlantic, Tate Liverpool, Liverpool, UK
Poussin Review 2010: New to sight, Poussin Gallery, London, UK
Pinta - The Modern & Contemporary Latin America Art show, London Earls Court Exhibition Centre, London, UK
Pinta - The Modern & Contemporary Latin American Art Show, New York, NY, USA
The London Group Annual Exhibition 2010, the Cello Factory, London, UK

2009

Mark of the Hand, Spanierman Modern, New York, NY, USA
Royal Academy Summer Exhibition, Royal Academy, London, UK
Gallery Selections, Spanierman Modern, New York, NY, USA
Expanding Boundaries: Lyrical Abstraction, Boca Raton Museum of Art, Boca Raton, Florida, USA
British Subjects: Identity & Self-Fashioning 1965-2009, Neuberger Museum of Art, Purchase College, State University of New York, Purchase, NY, USA
Sound: Print Record: African American Legacies, University of Delaware, University Museums Mechanical Hall Gallery, Delaware, USA

2008

Redemption Song, Jubilee Library, Brighton, UK
The London Group, 95th Anniversary Exhibition, Menier Gallery, Southwark Street, London, UK
Rollo Preview 08, Rollo Contemporary Art, London, UK

2007

25th Anniversary Exhibition: Forms of Abstraction, G.R. N'Namidi Galleries (New York, Detroit, Chicago)
(C)artography - Map-Making as ARTFORM, Crawford Art Gallery, Cork, Ireland
Swingujacy London, Kolekcja Grabwskiego [Swinging London, Grabowski Collection], Muzeum Aztuki, Lodz, Poland

2006

Energy/Experimentation: Black Artists 1964- 1980, The Studio Museum in Harlem, NY, USA
Unstitched, Unbound: Imprints for Change, The Nathan Cummings Foundation, NY, USA

2005

The London Group Annual Exhibition, Bankside Gallery, London, UK

2004

Something to Look Forward to: An exhibition featuring abstract art by 22 distinguished Americans of African descent, Curated by Bill Hutson, The Phillips Museum Of Art, Franklin & Marshall College, Lancaster, Pennsylvania.
Exhibition Travelled to the Hecker Museum of Art, New York [2005], Beach Museum of Art, KSU, Kansas [2006], California African-American Museum, Los Angeles, CA [2006], Museum of Texas Tech University, Texas [2007], Flint Institute of Arts, Michigan [2008], Morris Museum of Art, Georgia [2008], HUB-Robeson Galleries, Penn State University, Pennsylvania [2008], USA
This Was Tomorrow: Art and the 60s, Tate Britain, London, UK
A Century of American Art: The Paul R Jones Collection, University of Delaware, USA

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2002

Forms of Abstraction III: Abstract Works from the 60s, 70s, & 80s: Bowling, Clark, Edwards, Gilliam, Hunt, Huston, Loving, Pindell. Whitten, G.R. N'Namdi Gallery, Detroit, USA
Six American Masters - Bowling, Cater, Clark, Huston, Loving, Pindell, Sugar Hill Art Centre, Harlem, New York, NY, USA
Tate Unseen, Living Artists from the Tate Storeroom, Gallery, Lincoln, UK
No Greater Love, Abstraction, Jack Tilton/ Anna Kustera Gallery, Soho, New York, NY, USA
London Group, Woodlands Gallery, Greenwich, London, UK
The Painted Path, Broadbent Gallery, Notting Hill, London, UK
Fault Lines: Contemporary African Art and Shifting Landscapes, Curated by Gilane Tawadros, Director Institute of International Visual Arts, London, 50th Venice Biennale 2003, Venice, IT
Not Just For Christmas: Visual Art with Life and Soul, Outfitters Gallery, Margate, Kent, UK
Confluence, Pilgrim Gallery, London, UK

2001

Jazz and Visual Improvisation, Katonah Museum of Art, Katonah, New York, NY, USA
Take Five, G.R. N'Namdi Gallery, Chicago, IL, USA
Group Show 2002, Peg Alston Fine Arts, New York, NY, USA

2000

19th & 20th Century: African American Art, Kenkeleba Gallery, New York, NY, USA
In A Marine Light, The Custom House Gallery, Mill Dam, South Shields, Trine and Wear, UK
African American Abstraction, City East, Atlanta, Georgia

1998

The Faneli show, O.K. Harris Gallery, New York, NY, USA
The African-American Fine Arts Collection of the New Jersey State Museum, New Jersey State Museum, Trenton, New Jersey, USA

1997-98

Skylight Gallery Holiday Exhibition, Skylight Gallery, Centre for Art and Culture, Brooklyn, New York, NY, USA
In the Spirit, Cinque Gallery, New York, NY, USA
Space, Time and Object – Black Abstractionists, IRADAC, Institute For Research On the African Diaspora in the Americas and the Caribbean, NY, USA
Celebration (Significant Smaller Works), Judith Klein Gallery, New York, NY, USA
A year in the Life of Present Modernism, curated by Piri Halasz, Tribes Gallery, New York, NY, USA

1996-97

For The Young Collector, a k a Small Gems, curated by Randy Bloom, Tribes Gallery, New York, NY, USA

1996

Harlech Biennale 1996, Wales, U.K.
The Discerning Eye, Mall Galleries, London, UK

1995

Abstract in Black, School 33 Art Centre, Baltimore, MD, USA
Skoto Gallery (with Larry Mohr), New York, NY USA

1994

Gala, Breanu University, Gainesville, GA, USA
Clove Gallery, Butlers Wharf, London, UK
Skoto Gallery (with Richard Baye), New York, NY, USA
Dimensions of Guyana (with Donald Locke) Camille Love Gallery, Atlanta, GA, USA

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Caribbean Visions: Contemporary Painting and Sculpture, Centre for Fine Arts, Miami, FL, New Orleans Museum of Art, LA, The Wadsworth Athenaeum, Hartford, conn, USA

1993

Landscape as Metaphor: The Transcendental Vision, Fitchburg Museum, MA, Newport Art Museum, Newport, RI, Farnsworth Museum, Rockland, ME, USA

1992

2nd Coming, South London Gallery, London, UK
Whitechapel Open, Whitechapel Gallery London, UK
A/ Cross currents, Synthesis in African American Abstract Painting, Dakar Biennale, Dakar, Senegal, West Africa touring to Abidjan, Ivory Coast

1991

The Search for Freedom, African American Abstract Painting 1945-75, Kenkeleba House, New York touring to the Cleveland Institute of Art, State University of New York, New Paltz, USA
Affinities in Paint, Crane Gallery, London, UK
Greenwich Citizens Gallery (with Graham Mileson), London, UK
Lanchester Gallery, (with Graham Mileson) Coventry Polytechnic, UK

1990

Summer Exhibition, Royal Academy, London

1989

Whitechapel Open, Whitechapel Gallery, London, UK
National Mid-Year Exhibition, The Butler Institute of American Art, Youngstown, Ohio, USA
Recent Painting & Sculpture, South London Gallery, London, UK
The Other Story, Afro-Asian Artists in Post-War Britain, Hayward Gallery, London touring to Wolverhampton and Manchester, UK
Summer Exhibition, Royal Academy, London, UK
Tibor de Nagy Gallery, Chicago Art Fair, USA
198 Gallery, Herne Hill, London, UK
Jouvert, Touring to Swindon, Huddersfield, Bradford, and Cheltenham, UK
My Generation: 10 Contemporary Abstract Artists, Atkinson Art Gallery, Stockport, touring to Skelmersdale Library Art Centre, Lancashire, UK
The Umana Yana (with Dennis deCaires), Georgetown, Guyana

1988

Exhibition Road, Painters at the Royal College of Art, Royal College of Art, London, UK
Summer Exhibition, Royal Academy, London, UK
Whitechapel Open, Whitechapel Gallery, London, UK
The Presence of Painting, aspects of British Abstraction, Mappin Art Gallery, Sheffield, Hatton Gallery, Newcastle, Ikon Gallery, Birmingham, UK
Fuse Gallery, Charterhouse Street, London, UK

1987

Variations in Matter Painting, Anita Shapolsky Gallery, New York, NY, USA
Kingsborough Community College Gallery [CUNY], New York, NY, USA
On a Plate, Serpentine Gallery, London, UK
Painting and Sculpture, Trelawney Road, Bristol, UK
The Day Book, Smiths Gallery, Covent Garden, London, UK
The First American: Selections from the Nancy Sayles Day Collection of Latin American Art, Americas Society, New York, NY, EL Paso Museum of Art, Texas, Boston University Art Gallery, MA, University of Florida, Gainesville, Museum of Art, Rhode Island School of Design, Providence, RI, USA

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1986

Caribbean Expressions in Britain, Leicester Museum, Leicester, UK

1984

Colby College Art Gallery, Maine, USA

1983

Place I, Gimpel Fils, London

1982

Bowling, Loving, Mohr; The Currier Gallery, Manchester, NH, The Heckscher Museum, Huntington, NY, Kresge Art Center, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI, USA

1981-83

Mapped Art, Galleries of the University of Texas, Austin, Toledo Museum of Art, Ohio, USA

1980

Hayward Annual, Hayward Gallery, London, UK
Maps, John Michael Kohler Art Center, Sheboygan, WI, USA
Summer Exhibition, Royal Academy, London, UK

1979

British Art Show, Mappin Art Gallery, Sheffield, touring to Newcastle and Bristol, UK
Contemporary Caribbean Artists – African Expressions, Bronx Museum, New York, USA
The Russell Coates Modern Artists Exhibition, Russell Coates Art Gallery & Museum, Bournemouth, UK
Another Generation, The Studio Museum, Harlem, New York, UK

1978

Selected Works from Tibor de Nagy Gallery, Mint Museum, Charlotte, N.C, USA

1977

Artists' Maps, Philadelphia College of Art, PA, USA
25 Years of British Painting, Royal Academy, London, UK

1976

The Golden Door, Artist Immigrants of America, 1876-1976, Hirshhorn Museum & Sculpture Garden, Washington, D.C. UK

1972

Two Guyanese Painters, Phillip Moore and Frank Bowling, Guyana Consulate, New York, NY, USA

1971

Whitney Biennial: Contemporary American Art, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, NY, USA
Contemporary Black Artists in America, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, NY, USA

1970

Some American History, Rice University, Houston, Texas, USA
Afro-American Artists, Boston-New York, Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, MA, USA

1969

5 + 1, The Art Museum, Princeton University, NJ, State University of New York at Stony Brook, NY, USA
Whitney Annual Contemporary American Painting, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, NY, USA

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1968

The Obsessive Image, Institute of Contemporary Arts, London, UK

1964

The London Group, Tate Gallery, London, UK

Selected Collections

American Telephone and Telegraph Corporation, New York
Arts Council of Great Britain
Boca Raton Museum, Boca Raton, FL
Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation, Lisbon, Portugal
Chase Manhattan Bank, New York
Dallas Museum of Art, USA
Eli and Edythe Broad Art Museum, Michigan State University, Michigan, USA
Franklin and Marshall College, The Phillips Museum of Art, Lancaster, Pennsylvania
G.R. N'Namdi Collection, Detroit, USA
Guyana National Collection, Castellani House, Georgetown, Guyana
Herbert F. Johnson Museum, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, USA
Herbert Art Gallery and Museum, Coventry, England
John Simon Guggenheim Foundation
Lloyds of London
London Borough of Southwark
London Lighthouse
Lucienne de Wulf, New York, New York, USA
Menil Foundation, Houston, Texas, USA
Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York
Museum of Modern Art, New York
Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, MA
Michigan State University, Kresge Art Center, East Lansing, MI
N'Namdi Contemporary Miami, Detroit, USA
National Gallery of Jamaica, Kingston, Jamaica
National Gallery of Wales
New Jersey State Museum, Trenton, NJ
Neuberger Museum, State University of New York at Purchase, N.Y
Owens-Corning Fiberglass Corporation, Toledo, OH
Port Authority of New York, World Trade Center, New York
Rhode Island School of Design, Providence, RI
Rivercross Tenants Corporation, New York
Royal Academy of Arts, London
Royal College of Art, London
Saint Louis Art Museum
Tate Gallery, London
University of Liverpool
University Museums, Delaware, USA
Unilever PLC, UK
Victoria and Albert Museum, London
Westinghouse Corporation
Whitney Museum of American Art, New York

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Awards, fellowships, grants

2011

Bowling painting Lettice's Choice used as cover image for The Routledge, Companion to World Literature. Edited by Theo D'haen, David Damiosch & Djilal Kadir
Publication of monograph: Frank Bowling monograph written by Mel Gooding published by the Royal Academy of Arts

2008

OBE: Order of the British Empire. Painter and writer and Services to Art

2007

Honorary Doctorate, University of Wolverhampton, England, UK

2006

Honorary Fellow, The Arts Institute at Bournemouth, Dover, UK

2005

Member Royal Academy of Art, UK

1996

Absolut Bowling, Absolut Vodka Commission

1992, 1998

Pollock Krasner Award

1977

Arts Council of Great Britain Award

1975

New York State CAPS Award

1973

John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Fellowship

1972

Visiting Artists Program, New York State Council of the Arts

1968-69

Artist in Residence, New York State Council of the Arts, Critics Choice Program

1967

Painting Prize, Edinburgh Open 100, Edinburgh, Scotland, UK
John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Fellowship

1966

First World Festival of Negro Art, Dakar, Senegal
Grand Prize for Contemporary Art

1964

Shakespeare Quarto-Centenary, Stratford-on-Avon, UK, three canvases commissioned: 15'x10', 15'x35', 15'x10'

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1963

Calouste-Gulbenkian Foundation, Painting Purchase Award

1962

Associate of the Royal College of Art [MFA]

Royal College of Art, Silver Medal

Other activities

1969-72

Contributing Editor and Critic for Arts Magazine

1965

Vice-Chairman of the London Group

1962

Member of the London Group

1958-63

Founder of the Young Commonwealth Artists Group with Billy Apple, Jonathan Kingdon, Neil Stocker and others

Teaching

1984

Artist in Residence, Skowhegan School of Painting and Sculpture Maine

1975-86

Tutor, Byam Shaw School of Painting and Sculpture, London

1975-76

Lecturer, School of Visual Arts, New York

1974-75

Artist in Residence, Rhode Island School of Design

1969-71

Assistant Professor, Massachusetts College of Art, Boston

1969-70

Assistant Professor, Douglass College, Rutgers University, NJ

1968-69

Instructor, Columbia University, New York

1964-66

Lecturer, Reading University

1963-83

Tutor, Camberwell School of Arts and Crafts, London

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Selected articles, reviews, books and catalogues

2017

Emily Steer, "5 Questions with Frank Bowling", Elephant, January.

Imelda Barnard, "Interview with Frank Bowling", Apollo, June.

2016

Alexander Keefe, "Frank Bowling: Marc Selwyn Fine Art", ArtForum, January.

Seph Rodney, "Gathering the work of Guyanese artists far from home", Hyperallergic, September.

Bridget Galton, "Frank Bowling's New White Paintings reflects the Thames and new housing complexes", Ham&High, October.

Frank Bowling: New White Paintings, exh. cat. (London: Hampstead School of Art)

Four Generations: The Joyner/Giuffrida Collection of Abstract Art, ed. Courtney J. Martin (New York:

Gregory R. Miller & Co.)

Darby English, 1971: A Year in the Life of Color (Chicago and London: The University of Chicago Press)

2015

David Pagel, "Frank Bowling at Marc Selwyn Fine Art: Discipline meets delight", Los Angeles Times, September.

Mark Godfrey, "Reciprocal Gestures: Melvin Edwards and Frank Bowling in Dallas", ArtForum, May.

Mel Gooding, Frank Bowling, 2nd ed. (London: Royal Academy of Arts)

Frank Bowling: Right Here. Right Now. exh. cat. (London: Chelsea College of Arts)

Frank Bowling: The Poured Paintings, exh. cat. (London: Hales Gallery)

2014

Amy Macpherson, "10 minutes with... Frank Bowling RA", RA Blog, September.

Karen Wright, "In the studio: Frank Bowling", The Independent, November.

Frank Bowling: Traingone, exh. cat. (Stockholm: Spritmuseum)

2013

"Frank Bowling's Forgotten Painting", Artsy, March.

Julia Halperin and Pac Pobric, "It's never too late... to build a market", The Art Newspaper, April.

Colin Gleadell, "Art Market News", The Telegraph, October.

Giulia Viganò, "African American Art Exhibitions", Made In Shoreditch, October.

Frank Bowling: The Map Paintings 1967-1971, exh. cat. (London: Hales Gallery)

2012

Courtney J Martin, "The Middle of the Day", Frieze, May.

Mel Gooding, "Coffee Break: Frank Bowling RA", RA Magazine Issue 115, July.

Laura Barnett, "Frank Bowling and the politics of abstract painting", The Guardian, July.

Charlotte Bonham-Carter, "Frank Bowling: Drop, Roll, Slide, Drip", Time Out London, July.

2011

Emily Sack, "Journeys & Location: Frank Bowling RA, ROLLO Contemporary Art, London", Aesthetica, May.

Mel Gooding, Frank Bowling, 1st ed. (London: Royal Academy of Arts)

2010

Piri Halasz, "The Ultimate Proof of his Freedom: Frank Bowling's abstract painting", artcritical, October

Frank Bowling, exh. cat. (New York: Spanierman Modern)

Afro Modern: Journeys through the Black Atlantic, exh. cat. (London: Tate Publishing)

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2009

Frank Bowling paintings, exh. cat. (Winchester, UK: The Gallery at Winchester Discovery Centre)

2008

Leon Wainwright, 'Frank Bowling and the Appetite for British Pop', Third Text, 22.2, March.

Pond Life and Other Paintings. New York by Frank Bowling, Robin Greenwood, Martin Gayford, exh. cat. (London: Poussin Gallery)

2007

Maya Jaggi, "The weight of colour", The Guardian, February.

Julian Kreimer, Art in America, April

Big Paintings, exh. cat. (Bournemouth, UK: text and work)

2006

Frank Bowling RA Full of Light, Spencer A. Richards, Catalogue essay G.R.N'Namdi Galleries

Energy/Experimentation: Black and Abstraction, 1964-1980 Art, Domenick Ammirati, Forum [Summer]: Review

Black Atlantic Abstraction: Aubrey Williams and Frank Bowling, Kobena Mercer, Discrepant Abstraction (Cambridge, Mass.: MIT Press)

Contemporary Magazine, Richard Dyer

Frank Bowling at Rollo Contemporary art, London, Matthews Collings, Modern Painters

To be perfectly Frank, Laura Gascoigne, RA, Royal Academy of Arts Magazine No 90/Spring

[An Appropriate Distance] From The Mayor's Doorstep, No.71, Dec. 1, Piri Halasz

Critic & artist argue color, Ben Widdicombe, New York Daily News, Oct.28

The New York Times, Friday April 7, 2006 Review "Energy and Abstraction, 1964-1980", Holland Cotter
Abstraction gets the needle, Alison Oldham, H & H Series, April 7

2005

Shining Through, Frank Bowling paints light, Dennis Alan Nawrocki, Detroit Metro Times, Dec.7

2004

Frank Bowling at Heidi Cho Gallery, N.Y, Grace Glueck, The New York Times, November 5

Frank Bowling 4 Decades with Color, Spencer A. Richards, Catalogue essay, Phillips Museum of Art, Franklin & Marshall College, Lancaster, Pa.

'Neglected' black artist recognized at last, Jonathan Brown, The Independent, August 29

Guyanese artist Frank Bowling part of major Tate exhibition in London, John Mair, Guyana Stabroek News, Wednesday July 21

Tuned in, turned on, still far out – Artists from the 60s art scene in London, Geraldine Bedell, The Observer, Sunday 6 June

Frank Bowling at Aljira, a Center for Contemporary Art and Skoto, Jonathan Gilmore, Art in America, March

Frank Bowling at G.R. N'Namdi Gallery, Chicago, Fred Camper, Chicago Reader, February 27

2003

[An Appropriate Distance] From The Mayor's Doorstep. No.50 December 1, DeLuxe Print Edition, Piri Halasz

[An Appropriate Distance] From The Mayor's Doorstep. No.49; October 15, Piri Halasz

A career in color, Dan Bischoff, New Jersey Sunday Star Ledger, Spotlight Section 4

BENDING THE GRID: Black Identity and Resistance in the art of Frank Bowling, Dorothy Desir,

Exhibition held at Aljira, A Center for Contemporary Art, Newark, New Jersey,

Frank Bowling Map Paintings, Kobena Mercer, Catalogue essay for FAULTLINES : Contemporary African Art and Shifting Landscapes, 50th Venice Biennale

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2002

NKA Journal [109], Winter / Fall, Carl Hazlewood
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