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Died 2019, London, England

EDUCATION

St. Martin's School of Art, London, England
Royal College of Art, London, England

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2026

Leon Kossoff, Luhring Augustine, New York, NY

2024

Close Encounters: Paintings and Drawings, Xavier Hufkens, Brussels, Belgium

2023

Leon Kossoff: After Poussin, Timothy Taylor Gallery, London

Springing to Life: Drawings by Leon Kossoff, Annely Juda Fine Art, London, England

2021-2022

A Life in Painting, Annely Juda Fine Art, London, England; Mitchell Innes & Nash, New York, NY; L.A.
Louvre, Los Angeles, CA, USA

2019

Leon Kossoff: A London Life, Piano Nobile, London, England

Leon Kossoff: Everyday London, Timothy Taylor, New York, NY

2013-2014

Leon Kossoff: London Landscapes, Annely Juda Fine Art, London, England; Galerie Lelong, Paris,
France; Mitchell-Innes & Nash, New York, NY; L.A. Louvre, Los Angeles, CA

2010-2011

Leon Kossoff: Drawing from Painting, Annandale Galleries, Sydney, Australia

Recent Paintings, Annely Juda Fine Art, London, England; Mitchell-Innes & Nash, New York, NY; L.A.
Louvre, Los Angeles, CA

2009

Leon Kossoff: From the Early Years 1957-67, Mitchell-Innes & Nash, New York, NY

2008

Michael Richardson Contemporary Art, London, England

2007

Leon Kossoff: Drawing from Painting, National Gallery, London, England

2004-2005

Leon Kossoff: Selected Paintings 1956-2000, Louisiana Museum of Modern Art, Humlebaek, Denmark

2000-2001

Poussin Landscapes by Kossoff, J. Paul Getty Museum, Los Angeles, CA

Drawn to Painting Leon Kossoff: Prints & Drawings after Nicholas Poussin, Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Los Angeles, CA; National Gallery of Australia, Canberra, Australia

After Nicholas Poussin: New Etchings by Leon Kossoff, Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, NY

Leon Kossoff, Mitchell-Innes & Nash, New York, NY; Annely Juda Fine Art, London, England

Leon Kossoff, Annandale Galleries, Sydney, Australia

1997

Corner Exhibition, Copenhagen, Denmark

1995-1996

Leon Kossoff, British Pavilion, XLVI Venice Biennale, Venice, Italy; Düsseldorf Kunstverein, Germany, Stedelijk Museum, Amsterdam, The Netherlands

Leon Kossoff, Tate Gallery, London, England

1993

Leon Kossoff: Drawings 1985-1992, Anthony d'Offay Gallery, London, England; L.A. Louver, Los Angeles, CA

Leon Kossoff: Paintings, Robert Miller Gallery, New York, NY

1988

Leon Kossoff, Anthony d'Offay Gallery, London, England

1984

Leon Kossoff: Recent Drawings & Etchings, Bernard Jacobson Gallery, London, England

Leon Kossoff: Recent Work, Fischer Fine Art, London, England; L.A. Louver, Los Angeles, CA

1983

Hirschl & Adler Modern, New York, NY

1982

Leon Kossoff Paintings, L.A. Louver, Los Angeles, CA

1981

Leon Kossoff: Paintings from a Decade 1970-80, Museum of Modern Art, Oxford, England

Leon Kossoff, Graves Art Gallery, Sheffield, England

1980–1981

Recent Drawings, Riverside Studios, London, England

1979

Leon Kossoff, Paintings and Drawings, Fischer Fine Art, London, England

1975

Leon Kossoff, Fischer Fine Art, London, England

1974

Recent Paintings & Drawings, Fischer Fine Art, London, England

1973

Recent Paintings & Drawings, Fischer Fine Art, London, England

1972

Leon Kossoff: Recent Paintings, Whitechapel Art Gallery, London, England

1968

Marlborough Fine Art, London, England

1964

Leon Kossoff, A Selection of Paintings 1949-64, Beaux Arts Gallery, London, England

1963

Leon Kossoff, Paintings & Drawings, Beaux Arts Gallery, London, England

1961

Leon Kossoff, Paintings, Beaux Arts Gallery, London, England

1959

Leon Kossoff, Paintings and Drawings, Beaux Arts Gallery, London, England

1957

Leon Kossoff, Paintings, Drawings, Lithographs & Etchings, Beaux Arts Gallery, London, England

GROUP EXHIBITIONS**2025**

Auras: Portraits of Women by British Artists, Lévy Gorvy Dayan, London, England

Beyond the Canvas, Rugby Art Gallery and Museum, Rugby, England

British Art – Convergence, Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation, Lisbon, Portugal

L.A. Louver Celebrates 50 Years, L.A. Louver, Venice, CA

Once Upon a Time in London, Saatchi Yates, London, England

Seeing Each Other: Portraits of Artists, Pallant House Gallery, Chichester West Sussex, England

Studio Prints, The New Art Gallery Walsall, Walsall, England

2024

Drawing the Unspeakable, Towner Eastbourne, Eastbourne, England

2023

On Foot, Offer Waterman, London, England

Soutine | Kossoff, Hastings Contemporary, Hastings, England

2022

Postwar Modern: New Art in Britain 1945-1965, The Barbican Gallery, London, England

The Soul as Sphere, Maximillian William, London, England

2020-2021

45 at 45: L.A. Louver Celebrates 45 Years with 45 Artists, L.A. Louver, Los Angeles, CA

2020

Marlborough Graphics, London, England

Summer Exhibition, Annely Juda Fine Art, London, England

2019

Friends and Influences, Ben Uri Gallery and Museum, London, England

Summer Exhibition, Annely Juda Fine Art, London, England

2018-2019

50 Years, 50 Artists, Annely Juda Fine Art, London, England

2018

All Too Human: Bacon, Freud and A Century of Painting Life, Tate Britain, London, England

Bacon, Freud, and the London Painters, ARoS Aarhus Art Museum, Aarhus, Denmark

London Painters, Ordovas, London, England

2017

The Figure in Contemporary Art, Rosenfeld Porcini, London, England

2016

London Calling: Bacon, Freud, Kossoff, Andrews, Auerbach, and Kitaj, The Getty Museum, Los Angeles, CA

2014-2015

Bare Life: Bacon, Freud, Hockney and Others – London Artists Working from Life 1950-80, Museum für Kunst und Kultur, Münster, Germany

Kunstkabinet: School of London, Jewish Historical Museum, Amsterdam, The Netherlands

2014

I Cheer a Dead Man's Sweetheart, De La Warr Pavilion, Bexhill, England

2013-2014

A Dialogue with Nature: Romantic Landscapes from Britain and Germany, The Courtauld Gallery, London, England

2013

Radical Figures: Post War British Figurative Painting, Manchester Art Gallery, Manchester, England

2011-2012

The Mystery of Appearance: Conversations Between Ten British Post-War Painters, Haunch of Venison, London, England

Loose Canon, L.A. Louver, Los Angeles, CA

2009-2010

Paint Made Flesh, Frist Center for the Visual Arts, Nashville, Tennessee; Phillips Collection, Washington, DC; Memorial Art Gallery, Rochester, NY

2008-2009

A Guest of Honour: From Francis Bacon to Peter Doig, Museum der Moderne, Salzburg, Austria

Goya y el mundo moderno, Museo de Zaragoza, Zaragoza, Spain

Let Us Face the Future: Art Britànic 1945-1968, Fundació Joan Miró, Barcelona, Spain

Other Men's Flowers, Hugh Lane Gallery, Dublin, Ireland

Thresholds: Selected by Paula Rego, Whitechapel Art Gallery, London, England

2007-2008

The Naked Portrait: 1900-2007, Scottish National Portrait Gallery, Edinburgh, Scotland; Compton Verney, Warwickshire, England

British Vision: Observation and Imagination in British Art, 1750-1950, SMAK, Ghent, Belgium

The Mirror and the Mask: Portraiture in the Age of Picasso, Museo Thyssen Bornemisza, Madrid, Spain; Kimbell Art Museum, Fort Worth, TX

2007

A Celebration, Annely Juda Fine Art, London, England

2006

Passion for Paint, Bristol City Museum and Art Gallery, Bristol, England; Laing Art Gallery, Newcastle upon Tyne, England; National Gallery, London, England

2005-2006

Self Portraits: Renaissance to Contemporary, National Portrait Gallery, London, England; Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney, Australia

How to Improve the World: 60 Years of British Art, Hayward Gallery, London, England

2002-2004

New: Recent Acquisitions of Contemporary British Art, National Galleries of Scotland, Edinburgh, Scotland

Blast to Freeze: British Art in the 20th Century, Kunstmuseum, Wolfsburg, Germany

Das Recht des Bildes: Jüdische Perspektiven in der modernen Kunst, Museum Bochum, Germany

Transition: The London Art Scene in the Fifties, Barbican Art Gallery, London, England

2000-2001

The School of London and Their Friends: The Collection of Elaine and Melvin Merians, Yale Center for British Art, New Haven, CT; Neuberger Museum of Art, Purchase College State University of New York, Purchase, NY

La Mirada Fuerte: Pintura Figurativa de Londres, Museo de Arte Moderno, Mexico City, Mexico; MCA Monterrey, Monterrey, Mexico

1998-2001

Head First: Portraits from the Arts Council Collection, City Gallery, Leicester, England; travelled to Southampton, Kendal, Newcastle, Bath, Sheffield and Kingston upon Hull, England

Sublime: The Darkness and the Light: Works from the Arts Council Collection, John Hansard Gallery, Southampton, England; travelled to Lancaster, Nottingham, Stoke-on-Trent, Newcastle-upon-Tyne and Ipswich, England

1999

Close Encounters: New Art from Old, The National Gallery, London, England

L'école de Londres: de Bacon à Bevan, Fondation Dina Vierny-Musée Maillol, Paris, France

1995-1996

Identity and Alterity: Figures of the Body 1985-1995, XLVI Venice Biennale, Palazzo Grassi, Venice, Italy

From London: Bacon, Freud, Kossoff, Andrews, Auerbach, Kitaj, Scottish National Gallery of Modern Art, Edinburgh, Scotland; travelled to Luxembourg, Lausanne, Switzerland and Barcelona, Spain

1994-1995

An American Passion: The Susan Kasen Summer and Robert D. Summer Collection of Contemporary British Painting, Glasgow Museums, Glasgow, Scotland; Royal College of Art, London, England

1992-1993

British Figurative Painting of the 20th Century, British Council, Israel Museum, Jerusalem, Israel

1991-1992

From Bacon to Now: The Outsider in British Figuration, Palazzo Vecchio, Florence, Italy

Transformation of Appearance: Andrews, Auerbach, Bacon, Freud, Kossoff, Tate Gallery, London, England

1989-1990

Leon Kossoff / Bill Woodrow, Saatchi Collection, London, England

The Pursuit of the Real: British Figurative Painting from Sickert to Bacon, City Art Gallery, Manchester, England; Barbican Art Gallery, London, England; Glasgow City Art Gallery, Glasgow, Scotland

Glasgow's Great British Art Exhibition, Glasgow Museums and Art Galleries, Glasgow, Scotland

Picturing People, British Figurative Art Since 1945, British Council, National Art Gallery, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

1988

Exhibition Road: Painters at the Royal College of Art, Royal College of Art, London, England

Past and Present: Arts Council of Great Britain, Manchester City Art Gallery, Manchester, England

1987-1988

British Art in the 20th Century: The Modern Movement, Royal Academy of Arts, London, England

Current Affairs: British Painting and Sculpture in the 1980's, Museum of Modern Art, Oxford, England; travelled to Budapest, Prague and Warsaw

A School of London: (Six Figurative Painters), Kunsternes Hus, Oslo, Norway; travelled to Humlebaek, Denmark, Venice, Italy and Düsseldorf, Germany

Art of Our Time: Saatchi Collection, The Royal Scottish Academy, Edinburgh, Scotland
British Figurative Painting: A Matter of Paint: David Bomberg, Leon Kossoff, Frank Auerbach, John Lessore, Kevin Sinnott, Simon Edmondson, California State University Art Gallery, San Bernardino, CA; travelled to Santa Cruz, CA, USA and Rohnert Park, Santa Barbara, CA
Works on Paper, Anthony d'Offay Gallery, London, England

1986

Forty Years of Modern Art, Tate Gallery, London, England

1985

The British Show, Art Gallery of Western Australia, Perth, Australia; travelled to Sydney and Brisbane, Australia

Human Interest: Fifty Years of British Art About People, Cornerhouse, Manchester, England

1981-1984

Eight Figurative Painters: Michael Andrews, Frank Auerbach, Francis Bacon, William Coldstream, Lucian Freud, Patrick George, Leon Kossoff, Euan Uglow, Yale Center for British Art, New Haven, CT; travelled to Santa Barbara, CA

13 Britische Künstler eine Ausstellung über Malerei, Neue Galerie, Aachen- Sammlung Ludwig, Germany; travelled to Mannheim and Braunschweig, Germany

Hard-Won Image: Traditional Method and Subject in Recent British Art, Tate Gallery, London, England

The British Art Show: Old Allegiances and New Directions 1979-1984, Birmingham Museum and Art Gallery and Ikon Gallery, Birmingham, England; travelled to Edinburgh, Scotland; Sheffield and Southampton, England

The Proper Study: Contemporary Figurative Paintings from Britain, Lalit Kala Akademi, Delhi, India; Jehangir Nicholson Museum of Modern Art National Centre for Performing Arts, Bombay, India

1979

Hayward Annual 1979: Current British Art, Hayward Gallery, London, England

1977

British Painting 1952-1977, Royal Academy of Arts, London, England

1976

Human Clay: An Exhibition Selected by R.B. Kitaj, Hayward Gallery, London, England

1974

British Painting '74, Arts Council of Great Britain, Hayward Gallery, London, England

1972

English Explorations: An Exhibition of Recent Works by Seven Artists Living and Working in London, Fischer Fine Art, London, England

1967

Recent British Paintings from the Peter Stuyvesant Foundation Collection, Tate Gallery, London, England

1964

Painting and Sculpture of a Decade 1954-1964, Tate Gallery, London, England

1963

British Painting in the 60's: An Exhibition Organized by The Contemporary Art Society, Tate Gallery, London, England; Whitechapel Art Gallery, London, England

1961-1962

The John Moores Liverpool Exhibition 1961: 3, Walker Art Gallery, Liverpool, England

SELECTED BIBLIOGRAPHY: MONOGRAPHS

2026

Leon Kossoff, exh. cat. New York: Luhring Augustine, 2026.

2023

Springing to Life: Drawings by Leon Kossoff, exh. Cat. London: Annely Juda Fine Art, 2023.

2021

Leon Kossoff: A Life in Painting, exh. cat. London: Annely Juda Fine Art, 2021.

Leon Kossoff: Catalogue Raisonne of the Oil Paintings. London: Modern Art Press, 2021.

2014

Leon Kossoff: Drawing Paintings, Frieze Masters 2014. London Annely Juda Fine Art, 2014.

2013

Leon Kossoff: London Landscapes, exh. cat. London: New York: Annely Juda Fine Art; Mitchell-Innes & Nash, 2010.

2010

Leon Kossoff, exh. cat. London: New York: Annely Juda Fine Art; Mitchell-Innes & Nash, 2010.

2009

Leon Kossoff: From the Early Years 1957-1967, exh. cat. New York: Mitchell-Innes & Nash, 2009.

2007

Leon Kossoff: Drawing from Painting, exh. cat. London: National Gallery, 2007.

2004

Leon Kossoff: Selected Paintings, 1956-2000, exh. cat. Humlebæk: Louisiana Museum, 2004.

2000

Leon Kossoff, exh. cat. New York: London: Mitchell-Innes & Nash; Annely Juda Fine Art, 2000.

1996

Leon Kossoff, exh. cat. London: Tate Gallery, 1996.

1995

Leon Kossoff: Recent Paintings, exh. cat. London: British Council, 1995.

1988

Leon Kossoff, exh. cat. London: Anthony d'Offay Gallery, 1988.

1984

Leon Kossoff: Recent Work, exh. cat. London: Fischer Fine Art, 1984,

1983

Leon Kossoff, exh. cat. New York: Hirschl & Adler Modern, 1983.

1981

Leon Kossoff: Paintings from a Decade 1970–1980, exh. cat., Museum of Modern Art Oxford, 1981.

1979

Leon Kossoff: Paintings and Drawings 1974-1979, exh. cat. London: Fischer Fine Art, 1979.

1974

Leon Kossoff: Recent Paintings and Drawings, exh. cat. London: Fischer Fine Art, 1974.

1972

Leon Kossoff: Recent Paintings, exh. cat. London: Whitechapel Art Gallery, 1972.

1968

Leon Kossoff, exh. cat. London: Marlborough Gallery, 1968.

PUBLIC COLLECTIONS

Alfred East Art Gallery, Kettering, Northampton, England
Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney, Australia
Art Gallery of South Australia, Adelaide, Australia
Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL
Arts Council England, Manchester, England
Birmingham Museum and Art Gallery, Birmingham, England
British Council, London, England
British Museum, London, England
Cecil Higgins Art Gallery and Museum, Bedford, England
Cleveland Museum of Art, Cleveland, OH
Ferens Art Gallery, Hull, England
Fundação de Arte Moderna e Contemporânea - Coleção Berardo, Lisbon, Portugal
Government Art Collection, London, England
Guildhall Art Gallery, London, England
Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden, Washington, DC
Israel Museum, Jerusalem, Israel
J. Paul Getty Museum, Los Angeles, CA
Jewish Museum, New York, NY
Leeds Art Gallery, Leeds Museums and Galleries, Yorkshire, England
Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Los Angeles, CA
Louisiana Museum of Modern Art, Humlebæk, Denmark

Malmö Konsthall, Malmö, Sweden
McMaster Museum of Art, Hamilton, Canada
Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, NY
Miejska Galeria Sztuki ul Wólczańska, Lodz, Poland
Museo Thyssen-Bornemisza, Madrid, Spain
Museum of Contemporary Art, Los Angeles, CA
Museum of London, London, England
Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY
Museum Würth, Künzelsau, Germany
National Museum Wales, Cardiff, Wales
National Gallery of Art, Washington, DC
National Gallery of Australia, Canberra, Australia
National Portrait Gallery, London, England
New Walk Museum and Art Gallery, Leicester, England
Royal College of Art, London, England
Rugby Art Gallery and Museum, Warwickshire, England
Santa Barbara Museum of Art, Santa Barbara, CA
Scottish National Gallery of Modern Art, Edinburgh, Scotland
Southampton City Art Gallery, Hampshire, England
Swindon Museum and Art Gallery, Wilshire, England
Tate Gallery, London, England
The New Art Gallery Walsall, Walsall, England
Touchstones Rochdale, Lancashire, England
University of Reading Art Collection, Reading, England
Whitworth Art Gallery, University of Manchester, Manchester, England
Yale Centre for British Art, New Haven, CT