

## Johannes Phokela

Born 1966, Soweto, South Africa. Lives and works in Johannesburg, South Africa

### EDUCATION

- 1993 MA, Royal College of Art, London, UK  
1988 BA, Camberwell College of Art, London, UK  
1987 Foundation course, Central St. Martins: University of the Arts London, UK

### SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2023 Gallery 1957, Accra, Ghana (forthcoming)  
2021-3 *Only Sun in The Sky Knows How I Feel (A Lucid Dream)*, Zeitz MOCAA, Cape Town, South Africa  
2015 *A World Sacred and Profane*, Gallery AOP, Johannesburg, South Africa  
2014 *Dossier*, Gallery AOP, Johannesburg, South Africa  
2012 *Collateral*, Oliewenhuis Art Museum, Bloemfontein, South Africa  
2009 *I like My Neighbours*, Momo Gallery, Johannesburg, South Africa  
*I like my neighbours*, Standard Bank Gallery, Johannesburg, South Africa  
*Johannes Phokela*, Johannesburg Art Gallery (JAG), Johannesburg, South Africa  
2007 *Compendium*, KwaZulu Natal Society of Arts, Durban, South Africa  
2006 *Translation*, Johannesburg Art Gallery, Johannesburg, South Africa  
2005 *Imagine Where You'll Be*, Gallery MOMO, Johannesburg, South Africa  
*Landlord of the Lion*, Stephen Lawrence Gallery, London, UK  
2003 *Age of Enlightenment*, Gallery MOMO, Johannesburg, South Africa  
2002 International touring exhibition commissioned by the Institute of International Visual Arts (INIVA) in collaboration with The Gallery, Cafe Gallery Projects, London, UK

### GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2016 *Still (the) Barbarians*, EVA Limerick Open, Limerick, Republic of Ireland  
2006 New Painting at the KwaZulu Natal Society of Arts in Durban, UNISA Art Gallery in Pretoria and Johannesburg Art Gallery in Johannesburg, South Africa  
*Body of Evidence*, National Museum of African Art, Smithsonian Institute, Washington D.C.

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*Erase Me From Who I Am: Elvieda Quin Soy*, Centro Atlantico de Arte  
Moderno, Las Palmas

- 2004 *Tremor*, Palais des Beaux-Arts de Charleroi, Brussels  
*Personal Effects*, Museum for African Art and The Cathedral of St John the  
Divine, New York
- 2001 *Unpacking Europe*, Museum Boijmans Van Beuningen, Rotterdam  
*Figure of*, Battersea Pump House, London, UK

## FAIRS

- 2020 Art Basel Miami, online viewing, Miami Beach, CA, USA
- 2015 1-54 London, UK
- 2013 South African Pavilion, the Venice Biennale, Italy
- 2009 10th Biennial de La Habana, La Biental de La Habana, Havana, Cuba
- 2007 TRANS CAPE - contemporary African art on the move, Trans Cape Africa,  
Cape Town, South Africa
- 2001 Open ev+a 2001, eva international, Limerick, Republic of Ireland
- 1997 2nd Johannesburg Biennale titled Trade Routes: History and Geography,  
Johannesburg, South Africa

## RESIDENCIES AND AWARDS

- 2022 Residency at Gallery 1957, Accra, Ghana
- 2004 Decibel Award from the Arts Council of England, UK
- 1997 Residency programme in Senegal through the British Council, Senegal
- 1993 Delfina Studio Trust, London, UK

## COLLECTIONS

### *Public Collection*

National Museum of African Art, Smithsonian Institute, Washington D.C., USA  
London at the Delfina Studio Trust, UK  
London Arts Council Collection, UK  
South African High Commission  
Johannesburg Art Gallery, South Africa  
Iziko South African National Gallery, South Africa  
Unisa Art Gallery, Pretoria, South Africa

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## *Private Collections*

BHP Billeton, South Africa

Southern Collection, South Africa

Scheryn Art Collection, South Africa

## **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

1994-2005 One of the founding members of the Gasworks Studios, London

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