

Tamsin Relly

## Artist Biography and CV

Tamsin Relly's multi-disciplinary practice includes painting, printmaking and photography. South Africa born, she moved to London in 2009 and received her MA in Fine Art at City & Guilds of London Art School in 2011.

Relly's work reflects on the increasingly disrupted environmental conditions of a shifting global climate, and considers the erasure and construction of wilderness, whether for industry or leisure. Recent projects explore the preservation of arboreal and botanical environments through conservation, urban parks, and memory – be it personal, collective or held within the land. Drawing on both found media imagery and first-hand observations, Relly works with the fluid and unpredictable qualities of her materials and processes to present impressions of natural and urban spaces in states of uncertainty or impermanence. As part of her research, she has visited and studied diverse locations such as Svalbard in the Arctic Circle, The Eden Project in Cornwall, and the fabricated oasis of the Las Vegas Strip.

Relly's work has been exhibited and collected widely in the United Kingdom and internationally, appearing in group exhibitions at *The Royal Academy of Arts*, *The National Maritime Museum* and *Oliver Projects* in London; *SMITH*, Cape Town and *Galerie Rue Visconti*, Paris. Her work is held in collections such as Spier and Ellerman House in South Africa, and Hogan Lovells, Simmons Contemporary and the National Maritime Museum in London. She has had solo exhibitions hosted by *The House of St Barnabas*, *The Place Downstairs* and *Brocket Gallery* in London. Artist residencies include *Arteles*, Finland (2016), *RE·THINK: Environment*, National Maritime Museum, London (2015), *Pocantico*, Rockefeller Brother Fund, New York (2015), and *The Arctic Circle*, Svalbard (2014).

Relly has been commissioned twice (2018 and 2019) by award winning curatorial charity Hospital Rooms to create permanent work for locked and secure mental health units in the UK. During 2017 she donated a share of the proceeds from all her sales towards World Land Trust for the purchase and protection of tropical rain forest.

## EDUCATION

**2011 – 2012**

· **CITY & GUILDS OF LONDON ART SCHOOL**  
Masters in Fine Art.

## ARTIST RESIDENCIES

**2018**

· **HOGCHESTER ARTS**  
Dorset, United Kingdom

**2016**

· **SILENCE AWARENESS EXISTENCE**

Arteles, Finland

**2015**

· **POCANTICO**

Rockefeller Brothers Fund, New York.

· **RE THINK: ENVIRONMENT**

National Maritime Museum, London.

**2014**

· **GERSON ZEVI LAND ART ROAD TRIP**

Nevada and Utah.

· **THE ARCTIC CIRCLE**

Svalbard, Norway.

**SOLO EXHIBITIONS**

**2017**

· **FOREST MEMORY**

Brocket, London.

· **IMAGINING THE AMAZON**

The Collective, The House of St Barnabas, London. Curated by Alteria Art.

**2014**

· **JUNGLE SNOW**

The Place Downstairs, London. Curated by Stuart Evans.

**2012**

· **TIPPING POINT**

ASC Window Space, London.

· **RECENT WORK**

Salon 91, Cape Town.

**2007**

· **INTERFACE**

Guga S'Thebe, Langa, Cape Town.

**2004**

· **SOURCE**

Sandbaai, South Africa.

**1999**

· **BENEATH THE SURFACE**

Le Bon Ton, Cape Town.

**SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS**

**2020**

· **SUMMER (WINTER) EXHIBITION**

Royal Academy of Arts, London

· **HOSPITAL ROOMS AUCTION**

Hauser & Wirth, London

· **DRAWING CLOSER**

Oliver Projects, London

· **WOOLWICH CONTEMPORARY PRINT FAIR – THE ONLINE EDITION**

London

· **WORK ON PAPER**

Blue Shop Cottage, London

**2019**

· **POLAR WORLDS (ON GOING)**

National Maritime Museum, London.

· **SITE WORKS**

Experimental Gallery, Cornell University, New York

· **ONE OF ONE**

After Projects, London

· **HOSPITAL ROOMS AUCTION**

Hauser & Wirth, London

· **HOSPITAL ROOMS – EXETER PHOENIX**

Exeter Phoenix, Devon.

**2018**

· **POLAR WORLDS**

National Maritime Museum, London.

· **ART FOR THE BARBICAN**

The Barbican Centre, London.

· **SUMMER EXHIBITION**

Royal Academy of Arts, London.

· **HOSPITAL ROOMS & EILEEN SKELLERN 1**

Griffin Gallery, London.

· **PAPER CUTS**

Kristian Day, Saatchi Gallery, London.

· **40° CELCIUS**

ASC Gallery, London.

· **9 ARTISTS**

Curated by Katherine Oliver, London.

· **SUMMER EXHIBITION**

The Concept Space, London.

· **WOOLWICH CONTEMPORARY PRINT FAIR**

London.

· **PLACES FACES SPACES**

New Arts Project, London.

**2017**

· **PAPER CUTS**

Trip Gallery, London. Curated by Kristian Day

· **CONTROL TO COLLAPSE**

Blyth Gallery, London. Curated by Paint Union

· **PLANET ON FIRE**

Two-person exhibition with Henry Hussey. TM Lighting, London. Curated by Jo Baring, Ingram Collection.

· **PIY PAINT LOUNGE**

Sluice Biennial, London.

· **WISDOM & NATURE**

PHILLIPS – London, Paris, New York.

· **SUMMER EXHIBITION**

Royal Academy of Arts, London.

· **A SENSE OF PLACE**

Simmons Contemporary, London. Curated by Stuart Evans.

· **GREEN CREATES**

Fundraising Auction for the Green Party of England and Wales, Hoxton Arches, London.

· **UNCOMMON GROUND**

Royal Geographical Society, London.

· **WOOLWICH ORIGINAL PRINT FAIR**

London.

**2016**

· **DENTONS ART PRIZE**

Dentons Law Firm, London. Curated by Niamh white.

· **THE TERRARIUM DRAWN**

jaggedart, London. Curated by Katherine Jones.

· **SUMMER EXHIBITION**

Royal Academy of Arts, London.

· **ARCADIA**

Smith Gallery, Cape Town.

· **VISTA**

Coates & Scarry, London.

· **LONDON ART FAIR / JOHN JONES**

Business Design Centre, London.

**2015**

· **WHISPERS**

Ronchini Gallery, London. Curated by Adeline de Monseignat.

**2014**

· **RA ART SALES / PAINTER PRINTMAKERS**

Royal Academy of Arts, London.

· **TIME TO HIT THE ROAD**

Curated by Gerson Zevi. Leila Heller Gallery, New York.

· **CHRISTIE'S MULTIPLIED ART FAIR / ALTERIA ART**

Christies, London.

· **PUBLISH/CURATE**

T J Boulting, London

· **FNB JOBURG ART FAIR / COMMUNE 1**

Johannesburg.

· **ROYAL ACADEMY OF ARTS IN YORKSHIRE**

Zillah Bell Gallery, North Yorkshire. Curated by Norman Ackroyd.

· **CITY & GUILD OF LONDON ART SCHOOL**

Zillah Bell Gallery, North Yorkshire.

· **TRACE**

HONORE, Paris.

· **SUMMER EXHIBITION**

- Royal Academy of Arts, London.  
· **LONDON ORIGINAL PRINT FAIR**  
Royal Academy of Arts, London.  
· **BAINBRIDGE OPEN**  
The Tea Gallery, London  
· **LANDSCAPE TO A BLINDMAN'S EYE**  
Slate Projects, London.  
· **OCEANA JUNIOR COUNCIL LAUNCH**  
Phillips Auction House, Curated by Stitch Projects, London.
- 2013**
- **SUMMER EXHIBITION**  
Royal Academy of Arts, London.  
· **LONDON ORIGINAL PRINT FAIR**  
Royal Academy of Arts, London.  
· **POP-UP AT 87A LOWER MARSH**  
Curated by Samia Calbayrac, London.
- 2012**
- **BITE**  
– Artists Making Prints, Mall Galleries, London.  
· **SUMMER EXHIBITION**  
Royal Academy of Arts, London.  
· **SHOULDER2SHOULDER**  
Royal Marines Barracks, London.  
· **LONDON ORIGINAL PRINT FAIR**  
Royal Academy of Arts, London.
- 2011**
- **POST GRADUATE PRINTMAKING IN LONDON**  
Clifford Chance, London.  
· **SPACE FOR CHANGE**  
Parlour Gallery Project Space, London.  
· **LET YOURSELF LOVE A WILD THING**  
Salon 91, Cape Town.
- 2010**
- **SUMMER EXHIBITION**  
Vitrine Gallery, London.
- 2008**
- **PLAY WITH IMAGINATION**  
The premises Gallery, Johannesburg.  
· **THE BIJOU BURND'S AGAIN**  
Urban Contemporary Art, Cape Town.
- 2007**
- **THOUGHT TRAFFIC**  
The premises Gallery, Johannesburg.
- 2006**
- **CHOICE ASSORTMENT**  
WhatiftheWorld, Cape Town.

- **UNTITLED**  
WhatiftheWorld, Cape Town.
- 2005**
  - **SPRING FLING**  
Whatiftheworld, Cape Town.
  - **BLACK AND WHITE POSTER PROJECT**  
Dirt, Cape Town.
  - **MEMBERS EXHIBITION**  
Association of Visual Arts, Cape Town.
- 2003**
  - **BRETT KEBBLE ART AWARDS**  
Cape Town.
  - **SASOL ART AND WAX**  
Sasolburg, South Africa.
  - **YDESIRE**  
, 4rth Soft serve party, The Castle, Cape Town.
  - **A REFLECTION OF WOMENS LIVES**  
Durban Art Gallery, Durban.
  - **ICONS**  
Ants Nest, Cape Town.
  - **ABSOLUTE MAGIC**  
Association for Visual Arts, Cape Town.
- 2002**
  - **WOMANS ISSUES**  
Durban Art Gallery, Durban.
  - **FAMILY TREES**  
Bang the Gallery, Cape Town.
  - **ABSOLUTE VOYER**  
Association for Visual Arts, Cape Town.
- 2001**
  - **THUPELO INTERNATIONAL**  
S A N G, Cape Town.
  - **THUPELO REGIONAL**  
S A N G, Cape Town.
  - **SOCIETE NATIONAL DES BEAUX ARTS**  
Carrousel du Louvre, Paris.
  - **ABSOLUTE SECRET**  
Association for Visual Arts, Cape Town.
- COLLECTIONS**
- 2020**
  - **SIMMONS & SIMMONS**  
London, UK.
- 2019**
  - **NATIONAL MARITIME MUSEUM**  
London, UK.
- 2018**

- **HOGAN LOVELLS**  
London, UK.
- **DENTONS**  
London, UK.
- 2016**
- **YELLOWWOODS ART**  
South Africa.
- 2013**
- **SPIER**  
Stellenbosch, South Africa.
- 2012**
- **ELLERMAN HOUSE**  
Cape Town, SA.
- 2007**
- **HOLLARD**  
Johannesburg, SA.
- **TOKARA**  
Stellenbosch, SA.
- 2006**
- **HOLLARD**  
  
Johannesburg, SA.
- 1999 -2020**
- Private Collections in South Africa, Europe, North America, United Kingdom & Australia.
- PRESS**
- 2016**
- SA Art Times, South Africa (Interview)
- Kensington & Chelsea Review, United Kingdom (Interview)
- Cape Argus, Cape Town, SA (Interview)
- Bolander, Somerset West, SA (Interview)
- 2014**
- City Solicitor, UK (Interview)
- 2013**
- Tremors, UK (Review)
- Rookie Creative, UK (Review)
- 2012**
- The New Age, South Africa. (Review)
- The Jackdaw, UK (Profile)
- 2010**
- Elle, Holland. (Profile)
- 2009**
- Elle Décor, SA. (Project Feature)
- Top Billing Magazine, SA. (Project Feature)
- 2007**
- House and Garden, SA. (Profile)
- Garden and Home, SA. (Profile)

- Absolute Cape Town, SA. (Profile)
- Time Out, Cape Town, SA. (Profile)
- Sunday Independent, SA. (Profile)

**2006**

- The Art Times, SA. (Profile)
- The Cape Times, SA. (Review)
- Obrigado, SA. (Review)

**1999**

- The Cape Times, SA. (Review)
- Die Burger, SA. (Review)