

MERLIN JAMES

Born 1960, Cardiff, Wales Lives and works in Glasgow, Scotland

EDUCATION

1983-86

1979-82	BA, Central School of Art, London, England (now Central St. Martins, University of the Arts London)
1978-79	University of Wales Institute, Cardiff, Wales
SOLO EXHIBIT	TIONS
2023	Merlin James, Chris Sharp Gallery, Los Angeles, CA, February 12 - March 18, 2023
	Merlin James: Piers and Other Structures, 20 Albert Road, Glasgow, Scotland, January 15 – 22, 2023
2022	Merlin James, Philadelphia Art Alliance at University of the Arts, Philadelphia, PA, January 15 – March 4, 2022
2021	Window, Kerlin Gallery, Dublin, Ireland, September 4 – October 9, 2021
2020	River, Sikkema Jenkins & Co., New York, NY, November 21 – January 23, 2021
	P420, Bologna, Italy, September 25 - November 7, 2020
2019	Untitled (Sex), SELECT, Berlin, Germany, April 27 - May 26, 2019
2018	A View of the Clyde River at Glasgow, 2018, A-M-G5, Glasgow, United Kingdom, September 15 – November 3, 2018
	Long Game, OCT Boxes Art Museum, Shunde, China, March 23 - May 20, 2018
2017	Paintings, Galleria Raucci/Santamaria, Napoli, Italy, March 30 – April 30, 2017
2016	Paintings for Persons, Sikkema Jenkins & Co., New York, NY, October 13 – November 12, 2016
	To the Present, Kerlin Gallery, Dublin, Ireland, May 13 – June 25, 2016
	Long Game, Centre for Contemporary Arts, Glasgow, United Kingdom, January 22 – March 13, 2016
2015	Meeting at the Building, Douglas Hyde Gallery, Dublin, Ireland, December 11, 2015 – February 24, 2016
	Genre Paintings, Sikkema Jenkins & Co., New York, NY, January 28 – February 28, 2015
2014	Merlin James, Paintings, Drawings, Prints, Aanant & Zoo, Berlin, Germany, May 3 – July 5, 2014
	In Penombra, Raucci/Santamaria, Naples, Italy, January 31 - March 7, 2014

Freestyle, Kunstverein Freiburg, Freiburg, Germany, January 17 - March 3, 2014

MA in Painting, Royal College of Art, London, England

	Black Paintings, Großbeerenstraße 56c, Berlin, Germany, 2014
	Kerlin Gallery, FIAC Officielle solo stand, Paris, France, 2014
2013	Signal Box, KW Institute for Contemporary Art, Berlin, Germany, September 18 – November 10, 2013
	Sex Paintings, OHIO, Glasgow, Scotland, July 5, 2013
	Merlin James, Parasol Unit Foundation for the Arts, London, United Kingdom, June 6 – August 10, 2013
	Painting, Galerie Les Filles du Calvaire, Paris, France, January 26 – February 23, 2013
2012	New Paintings, Kerlin Gallery, Dublin, Ireland, October 19 - November 24, 2012
	In the Gallery, Douglas Hyde Gallery, Dublin, Ireland, February 3 – March 28, 2012
2011	Sikkema Jenkins & Co., New York, NY, June 22 - August 12, 2011
2010	Frame Paintings, Mummery & Schnelle, London, United Kingdom, June 9 – July 31, 2010
2009	Sikkema Jenkins, ADAA Solo Stand, New York, NY 2009
2008	Merlin James: Paintings, Mummery & Schnelle, London, United Kingdom, November 27, 2008 – January 24, 2009
	Birds, Places, Other Things, Kerlin Gallery, Dublin, Ireland, October 24 – November 22, 2008
2007	Paintings of Buildings, Sikkema Jenkins & Co., New York, NY, November 28, 2007 – January 12, 2008
	Galerie les Filles du Calvaire, Paris, France, September 4 – September 26, 2007
	52 nd International Biennale di Venezia, Wales Pavilion, Venice, Italy, June 10 – November 21, 2007
	Painting to Painting, New York Studio School, New York, NY, February 8 – March 23, 2007
	<i>Merlin James: painting</i> , Galerie les Filles du Calvaire, Brussels, Belgium, January 20 – March 10, 2007
2006	Andrew Mummery Gallery, London, United Kingdom
2005	Sea, Kerlin Gallery, Dublin, Ireland, October 14 - November 15, 2005
	Sikkema Jenkins & Co., New York, NY
2004	Easel Paintings, Talbot Rice Gallery, Edinburgh, United Kingdom
	Easel Paintings, Bay Art, Cardiff, United Kingdom
	Recent Paintings, Vitamin Arte, Turin, Italy
2003	The Middle Distance, Kerlin Gallery, Dublin, Ireland, June 6 – July 19, 2003
	Brent Sikkema, New York, NY
	Prague Biennale, Prague, Czech Republic
	New Compositions, Andrew Mummery Gallery, London, United Kingdom

2002	New Paintings 2002, Kerlin Gallery, Dublin, Ireland, January 10 - February 9, 2002
	Pictures, Ceribelli, Bergamo, Italy
	Pictures, Brent Sikkema, New York, NY
	New Compositions, Andrew Mummery Gallery, London, United Kingdom
2001	Andrew Mummery Gallery, London, United Kingdom
	Galerie Yves Hoffmann, Paris, France
1998	Painting (with artist-curated inclusions: Alex Katz; William Nicholson), Wooster Gardens (Brent Sikkema), New York, NY
1997	Francis Graham-Dixon Gallery, London, United Kingdom
	Critical Pictures, Andrew Grant Gallery, Edinburgh College of Art, Edinburgh, United Kingdom
	Wooster Gardens (Brent Sikkema), New York, NY
1996	Kettle's Yard, Cambridge, United Kingdom
	Critical Pictures, Picker Gallery, Kingston University, London, United Kingdom
1995	Poussin's Phocion, National Museum of Wales, Cardiff, United Kingdom
	Poussin's Phocion and Other Works, Standpoint Studios, London, United Kingdom
1991	Albemarle Gallery (Mark Glazebrook), London, United Kingdom
GROUP EXHIE	BITIONS
2023	Merlin James & Victoria Morton, Kerlin Gallery, Dublin, Ireland, June 2 – July 8, 2023
	I MET: Recent Painting Acquisitions, MUT, Mutina, Fiorano Modenese, Italy, February 3 – July 21, 2023
	I've never met anyone quite like you before, Queens Park Railway Club, Glasgow, Scotland, January 21 – March 2023
	Come a Little Closer, DC Moore Gallery, New York, NY, January 12 - February 11, 2023
2022	Sea Show, Winter Street Gallery, Edgartown, MA, July 30 - August 28, 2022
	To be a giant and keep quiet about it, Margot Samel, New York, NY, July 14 - August 17, 2022
	Di semplicità e di brivido, P420, Bologna, Italy, April 9 – June 11, 2022
	Their Private Worlds Contained the Memory of a Painting that had Shapes as Reassuring as the Uncanny Footage of a Sonogram, Matthew Brown, Los Angeles, CA, January 8 – February 5, 2022
2021	Mixing It Up: Painting Today, Southbank Centre, Hayward Gallery, London, United

Kingdom, September 9 – December 12, 2021

Double-M, Double-X, Kerlin Gallery, Dublin, Ireland, October 17, 2020 – January 16, 2021

2019	sotto voce, Bortolami, New York, NY, November 15 – December 20, 2019, curated by Robert Bordo
	Slow Painting, Leeds Art Gallery, United Kingdom, October 25, 2019 – January 12, 2020; The Arts Institute at University of Plymouth, Plymouth, United Kingdom, January 24 – March 28, 2020; Andrew Brownsword Gallery at The Edge at University of Bath, Bath, United Kingdom, [DATES TBD]; Inverness Museum and Art Gallery, Inverness, Scotland, [DATES TBD]
	Uptown Painting, Peter Freeman, Inc., New York, NY, June 5 – July 20, 2019, presented by Alex Katz
	Merlin James, Elizabeth Magill and Stephen McKenna: last day of May, Kerlin Gallery, Dublin, Ireland, May 31 – July 6, 2019
	last day of May, Kerlin Gallery, Dublin, Ireland, May 31 – July 6, 2019
2018	Painting Amongst Other Things, Drill Hall Gallery at Australian National University, Canberra, Australia, August 10 – October 7, 2018
	Salon 007, Saatchi Gallery, London, United Kingdom, 2018
2017	Il Paesaggio Invisibile, Rauchi e Santamaria, Naples, Italy, May 25 – June 30, 2017
	Park, Guangzhou, Holly's Gallery, Guangzhou, China, February 28 – March 31, 2017
	Material Life, The Goma, Madrid, Spain, January 21 - March 12, 2017
	Park, G/F, Hong Kong, 2017
2016	Towards Night, Towner Art Gallery, Eastbourne, United Kingdom, September 24, 2016 – January 22, 2017
	Ghosts of Other Stories: The British Council Collection, The Model, Sligo, Ireland, September 17 – November 27, 2016
	Outside, Karma, Amagansett, NY, September 3 – 25, 2016
	The Public Body .01, Art Space, Sydney, Australia, August 25 – October 23, 2016
	Vital Signs, Museo Della Grafica, Pisa, Italy, July 8 – September 2016
	Shapes, Cuts and Breaks, Seventeen, London, United Kingdom, March 4 - April 9, 2016
2015	Intimacy in Discourse: Reasonable-Sized Paintings, Mana Contemporary, Jersey City, NJ, October 18 – December 22, 2015, curated by Phong Bui
	Painting is Not Doomed to Repeat Itself, Hollis Taggert Galleries, New York, NY, September 24 – October 31, 2015, curated by John Yau
	Out There, Thataway, Centre for Contemporary Art Derry-Londonderry, United Kingdom, August 8 - September 26, 2015
	basal, Aanant & Zoo, Berlin, Germany, February 21 - April 11, 2015
2013	Parergon and Gutter, David Risley Gallery, Copenhagen, Denmark, December 6 – 31, 2013
	SS Blue Jacket, KARST, Plymouth, United Kingdom, October 31 - November 17, 2013
	The Room and its Occupants, Susan Hobbs Gallery, Toronto, Canada, October 17 – November 23, 2013

A Picture Show, Gallery of Modern Art, Glasgow, United Kingdom, July 18, 2013 - February 2, 2014

Inevitable Figuration, Museo Pecci, Prato, Italy, March 24 – July 8, 2013

Building Materials, Real Art Ways, Hartford, CT

Gallery 400, University of Illinois, Chicago, IL

2012 Interior Visions: Selections from the Collection by Alex Katz, Colby College Art Gallery, Waterville, ME, July 14 - October 7, 2012

> A Bucolic Frolic: Distractions from the Modern, Mummery + Schnelle, London, United Kingdom, June 29 - August 18, 2012

The Big Picture, Sikkema Jenkins & Co., New York, NY, June 8 – July 27, 2012

The Man Don't Give a Fuck, Motorcade/Flash Parade, Bristol, United Kingdom, April 27 – 29, 2012

Broken/Window/Plane, Tracy Williams Gallery, New York, NY, February 16 – March 17, 2012

Les Misérables, OHIO, Glasgow, Scotland

One Night Stand, Goat Major Projects, Cardiff, Wales; Trade Gallery, Nottingham, United Kingdom

2011 White Columns Benefit Auction, New York, NY, April 29 – May 14, 2011

> Between My Head and My Hand, There is Always the Face of Death, Philip Feldman Gallery & Project Space at the Pacific Northwest College of Art, Portland, OR, January 17 – March 26, 2011

Royal Hibernian Academy, Dublin, Ireland

2010 The Beholder's Share, Mummery & Schnelle, London, United Kingdom, September 8 – October 9, 2010

Long, Long Gone, Koenig and Clinton, New York, NY, July 8 - August 21, 2010

Le Tableau: French Abstractions and Its Affinities, Cheim and Read, New York, NY, June 24 - September 3, 2010, curated by Joe Fyfe

Self-Conscious, Veneklasen Werner, Berlin, Germany, June 2010, curated by Peter Doig and Hilton Als

Another Country: London Painters in Dialogue with Modern Italian Art, Estorick Collection, London, United Kingdom, April 28 – June 20, 2010

Merlin James, Andrew Taylor, Tom Varley, Southside Studios, Glasgow, United Kingdom, curated by Gregor Johnstone

Fairfield Building, Glasgow, United Kingdom

Building on a Cliff, Sikkema Jenkins & Co., New York, NY, December 10, 2009 - January 23, 2010

NIGHT, Alexander Gallery, New York, NY

Nus, Fortes Valeca, Sao Paolo, Brazil

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	Galerie Marabini, Bologna, Italy
	New Ideas in Abstraction, Austin Peay State University, Clarkesville, TN
	Doppo Gobbo, Fluxia Gallery, Milan, Italy
2008	21: Selections of Contemporary Art from the Brooklyn Museum, Brooklyn, NY, September 19, 2008 – August 2, 2009
	Purdy Hicks Gallery, London, United Kingdom
	Mummery + Schnelle, London, United Kingdom
2007	An Eclectic Eye: Selections from the Dan Leach Collection, Tucson Museum of Art, Tucson, AZ
	Mutineer, Atelierhaus Mengerzeile, Berlin, Germany
	Things We Lost in the Fire, Leicester City Art Gallery, Leicester, United Kingdom
2006	Full House, Kunsthalle Mannheim, Mannheim, Germany
	Things We Lost in the Fire, Transition Gallery, London, United Kingdom & tour
	M di Mare, Galleria Fabjbasaglia, Rimini, Italy
2005	Galleria Fabjbasaglia, Rimini, Italy (catalogue)
	Things We Lost in the Fire, Art Space Gallery, London, United Kingdom
	Interested Painters, Gallery 400, University of Illinois, Chicago, IL
	Seeing Things: New British Painting, Galleria Fabjbasaglia, Rimini, Italy
	Short Stories About Painting, Art Space, London, United Kingdom
	Sidelonging, 117 Commercial Road, London, United Kingdom
2004	Painting Direct, Kunsthalle Mannheim, Mannheim, Germany
	No Particular Place to Go, APT Gallery, London, United Kingdom
	The Edge of the Real, Whitechapel Gallery, London, United Kingdom
	The Five Corners of Painting, artconnexionlille, Lille, France
	Contemporary Painting, Colby College Museum of Art, Waterville, ME, curated by Alex Katz
2003	Selected Paintings, Max Wigram Projects, London, United Kingdom
	Dirty Pictures, Approach Gallery, London, United Kingdom
	Yes! I am a long way from home, Herbert Read Gallery, KIAD, Canterbury, United Kingdom; The Nunnery, London, United Kingdom
	The Lazarus Effect, Prague Biennale, Prague, Czech Republic
2002	The Embarkation for Cythera, Andrew Mummery Gallery, London, United Kingdom
	Landscape, (catalogue) Saatchi Gallery, London, United Kingdom
	Merlin James, Alex Pollard, Michael Fullerton, Felixleiter Raum für Kunst, Berlin, Germany (with Alex Pollard and Michael Fullerton)

Yes! I am a long way from home, Huddersfield Art Gallery, Huddersfield, United Kingdom and tour (catalogue)

Approach Gallery, London, United Kingdom

Selected Paintings, Max Wigram Projects, London, United Kingdom

2000 Pure Paint, Stephen Lacey Gallery, London, United Kingdom

The Nunnery, London, England

Andrew Mummery Gallery, London, England

Brent Sikkema, New York, NY

Not Enough, Velan Centre for Contemporary Art, Turin, Italy

Painters Painting, (Stuart Cumberland, Merlin James, Kevin Knox), The Approach, London, United Kingdom

1999 Stephen Lacey Gallery, London, United Kingdom

Another Country, Lawrence Rubin Greenberg Van Doren, New York, NY

Don't Smoke in my House, Vicki Tarrant, London, United Kingdom

River Deep, Mountain High, Westland Place, London, England; University of Dundee, Scotland (catalogue)

Merlin James, James Hyde, Joe Fyfe, Thomas Korzelius Gallery, New York, NY (three person drawings show with James Hyde and Joe Fyfe)

1998 EAST international, Norwich University College of the Arts, Norwich, UK

Raum, (catalogue) Künstlerhaus, Vienna, Austria

Critical Faculty, (catalogue) Grand Valley State University, Grand Rapids, MI

Open Drawing, Cheltenham and Gloucester College of Higher Education, Cheltenham, England

Open Drawing, DSKG, Berlin, Germany

1996 East End Academy, Whitechapel Gallery, London, England

1993 Quoi de Neuf?, Delsol et Innocenzi, Paris, France

1990 Albemarle Gallery (Mark Glazebrook), London, England

CURATORIAL PROJECTS

2019	Prunella Clough: Paintings, 42 Carlton Place, Glasgow, United Kingdom, March 23 – April 28, 2019
2018	Charchoune: 1930s/1960s, 42 Carlton Place, Glasgow (Glasgow International), United Kingdom, April 19 – May 7, 2018, co-curated by Andrew Mummery
2016	Louis Michel Eilshemius, Glasgow International, 42 Carlton Place, Glasgow, United Kingdom, April 8 – May 15, 2016, co-curated with Carol Rhodes
2015	Adrian Morris: New Foundations, 42 Carlton Place, Glasgow, United Kingdom, September

	26 – October 25, 2015, co-curated with Carol Rhodes
	Serge Charchoune, Kunstsaele, Berlin; Douglas Hyde Gallery, Dublin, Ireland
	Ballet of the Palette (10-artist collaboration), Gallery of Modern Art, Glasgow, United Kingdom
2014	Christina Ramberg, Glasgow International, 42 Carlton Place, Glasgow, United Kingdom, co- curated with Carol Rhodes
2012	Other Modernisms: Serge Charchoune (1889-1975), Smart Museum of Art, University of Chicago, Illinois; Talbot Rice Gallery, University of Edinburgh, Scotland, United Kingdom
	Ever since I put your picture in a frame, Glasgow International, 42 Carlton Place, Glasgow, United Kingdom
2009	Primitif Compliqué, Galerie Les Filles du Calvaire, Brussels, Belgium
2008	Serge Charchoune, Mummery & Schnelle, London, United Kingdom
2005	Incorrigible, Sentimental, Kerlin Gallery, Dublin, Ireland

SOLO EXHIBITION PUBLICATIONS

2020	A View of the Clyde River at Glasgow, 2018. Glasgow: A-M-G5, 2020.
2018	Merlin James: Long Game. Interview with Christina YZ, text by Declan Long. Shenzhen/Dublin: OCT/Kerlin Gallery, 2018.
2014	Merlin James: Signal Box. Interivew with Ellen Blumenstein. Berlin: Kunst-Werke, 2014.
2013	Merlin James. Interview and reprinted review texts. London: Parasol Unit, 2013.
2012	James, Merlin. Merlin James: In the Gallery. Dublin: Douglas Hyde Gallery, 2012.
2007	Firth, Hannah. Merlin James. Venice Biennale Wales Pavilion, 2007.
2004	Bonacossa, Ilaria. Merlin James: Recent Paintings. Turin: Vitamin arte, 2004.
	Merlin James: Easel Paintings. Edinburgh: Talbot Rice Gallery, 2004.
2002	Boncassa, Ilaria. Pictures. Bergamo/New York: Lubrina Editore/Brent Sikkema, 2002.
1996	Cruz, Juan. Merlin James: Critical Pictures. Kingston University: Picker Gallery, 1996.
	Merlin James. Interview by Simon Wallis. Cambridge: Kettle's Yard, 1996. Exhibition leaflet.
1995	James, Merlin. Poussin's Phocion. National Museum of Wales, 1995.
	James, Merlin. <i>Poussin Phocion and other work</i> . London: Standpoint Studios, 1995. Limited edition print.
1991	James, Merlin. Merlin James. London: Albemarie Gallery, 1991.

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2019	Herbert, Martin. Slow Painting. Hayward Gallery Publications, 2019.
2018	Alwast, Peter. <i>Painting Amongst Other Things</i> . Canberra, Australian National University, 2018.

2017	Hogan, Darragh. PARK. Guangzhou: Holly's Gallery, 2017.	
2016	Affiliate Yearbook. Edited by Tina Fisk. University of Glasgow, 2016.	
2015	Vital Signs. London, 2015.	
	Yau, John. Painting is Not Condemned to Repeat Itself. New York, Hollis Taggart, 2015.	
2014	Parasol Unit London 2004-2014. Parasol Unit, 2014.	
	SS Bluejacket. Plymouth, KARST, 2014.	
2013	Bazzini, Marco and Davide Ferri. Inevitable Figuration. Prato, Fondazzione Pecci, 2013.	
2012	Schwartz, Sanford. Interior Visions. Colby College, 2012.	
2011	Kennedy, Kirsten. Between My Head and My Hand There is Always an Image of Death. PNCA Portland, 2011.	
2010	Prenderville, Brendan. Another Country. London, Esotorick Collection, 2010.	
2009	Francesconi, Luca. Kallat. Milan: Fluxia Gallery, 2009.	
2006	Tiboni, Fabio. M di Mare. Rimini, Galleria Fabibasaglia, 2006.	
2005	Ferri, Davide. Seeing Things: New British Painting. Rimini, Galleria Fabjbasaglia, 2005.	
	James, Merlin. Contemporary Painting. Colby College, 20015. Artist's statement.	
	Lauter, Rolf and William Feaver. Painting Direct. Kunsthalle Mannheim, 2005.	
	Lee, Jane. White Window. Canterbury, 2005.	
2003	The Lazarus Effect. Prague, 2003.	
	Yes! I am a long way from home. Huddersfield Art Gallery, 2003.	
1999	James, Merlin. East International. Norwich, UK, 1999. Artist's statement.	
	Landscape. London, Saatchi Gallery, 1999.	
	Smith, Kier. River Deep, Mountain High. London, Westland Place, 1999.	
1998	James, Merlin. Raum. Kunstlerhaus, Vienna, 1998. Notebook texts by artist.	
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2021	Ebony, David. "Merlin James at Sikkema Jenkins & Co." Art in America, Mar. 2021, pp. 69.	
2020	"Merlin James with Louis Block." <i>The Brooklyn Rail</i> , 7 Mar. 2020, brooklynrail.org/2020/04/art/MERLIN-JAMES-with-Louis-Block.	
2019	Bradway, Todd, et al. Landscape Painting Now. New York, D.A.P., 2019. Print.	
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- 2018 Hopkins, David. Art After Modernism. Oxford University Press, 2018.
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