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Solo Exhibition

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Six years after his celebrated debut at the Catto Gallery in 2007, sculptor Philip Jackson returns with a fabulous collection of haunting new works.

Philip has a worldwide reputation for his public commissions, which include high-profile works such as Queen Elizabeth on the Mall, Bobby Moore at Wembley Stadium and of course the recent Bomber Command Memorial in Green Park. But in parallel with this glittering career, the artist has built an oeuvre of outstanding 'gallery' sculpture, many of which are inspired by post-renaissance Venice. These form the centre-piece of this new show.

Venice is a theme that has occupied the sculptor since his first visit there nearly forty years ago. He was inspired by the art of giants such as Canaletto, Bellotto, Guardi and Longhi (all of whom included masked figures in their paintings) to analyse the masked tradition further. Philip's sculpture seems to rise organically from the ground. He draws on natural forms such as tree bark, rock or lava flow in these impressionistic sculptures. But as the eye moves from the body to the hands and face, the finish becomes gentler and more delicately worked. This is where the drama is to be found.

And what drama. In this exhibition there is refined elegance in *The Last Ball of Summer*; and a certain athletic grace in the *Sword Master*. But the darker side of the masked tradition is revealed in a work such as *The Magistrate*, in which beauty co-exists with a quiet severity. For all his experimentation with organic forms, Philip remains firmly in a figurative tradition that goes back to the Greeks.

Twenty-five years ago Philip entered a competition for a public sculpture in Manchester; he won the competition ahead of 40 others. Thus began a career in public work that has brought him great acclaim and a CVO (Commander of the Royal Victorian Order) in 2009. Today, Philip is arguably the most in-demand of any sculptor alive when it comes to public commissions.

There is another reason why Philip is one of the foremost sculptors in Britain today; he is never satisfied and is always striving to improve the flaws he sees in his work. He will even try to avoid passing his sculptures when travelling through London. It is a pretty extraordinary admission. Thankfully, it is not a sentiment shared by those wishing to commission works.

Or the rest of us, standing before his work in awed admiration.

BOMBER COMMAND

On June 28th 2012, six thousand veterans and their families gathered on a sweltering day in Green Park to see the Queen unveil the Bomber Command Memorial sculpture by Philip Jackson. They were unanimous in their praise for a monument to a fighting force whose contribution had never been formally recognised in the United Kingdom before.

The memorial has certainly changed perceptions of Bomber Command. Indeed just a year after its unveiling, a survey of visitors to London ranked the memorial first of 883 attractions.

Twenty limited edition maquettes of this astonishing piece are available as part of Philip's exhibition at the Catto Gallery. A proportion of the sale price will be donated to the Bomber Command Association for the long term care of the memorial.



WORKING MODEL FOR MAQUETTE OF BOMBER COMMAND
Height 48cm | 19" Width 40cm | 16" Depth 24cm | 10"



SKITTLES WITH SCARLATTI
Height 200 cm | 79"



GALE FORCE NUN II, EDITION 8
Height 185 cm | 74"



AFTER THE BALL, EDITION 8
Height 74 cm | 29"



THE SWORD MASTER, EDITION 8
Height 22 cm | 9"



BOWLING WITH BOCCHERINI, EDITION 8
Height 34 cm | 13"



BOWLING WITH BOCCHERINI, EDITION 8
Height 163 cm | 64"



VENETIAN WHISPERS, EDITION 8
Height 42 cm | 16.5"



LE ASTUZIE FEMMINILI, EDITION 8
Height 40 cm | 15.5"



LAST BALL OF SUMMER, EDITION 8
Height 55 cm | 21.5"



LAST BALL OF SUMMER, EDITION 8
Height 206 cm | 81"



FRA ANGELICO'S PALETTE, EDITION 8
Height 30 cm | 12"



THE DOGE, EDITION 8
Height 63 cm | 25"



GALE FORCE NUN II, EDITION 8
Height 69 cm | 27"



BOTH ALIKE IN DIGNITY, EDITION 8
Height 37 cm | 14.5"



THE CHAPERONE, EDITION 8
Height 44 cm | 17"



THE CHOIRMASTER, EDITION 8
Height 46 cm | 18"



DIVINE OFFICE, EDITION 8
Height 41 cm | 16"



MAKING AN ENTRANCE, EDITION 8
Height 56 cm | 22"



PAS DE BASQUE, EDITION 8
Height 190 cm | 75"



QUEEN OF THE NIGHT, EDITION 8
Height 145 cm | 57"



UN BALLO IN MASCHERA, EDITION 8
Height 175cm cm | 69"



LA DONNA E MOBILE, EDITION 8
Height 49 cm | 19"



THE MAGISTRATE, EDITION 8
Height 58 cm | 23"



SERENISSIMA, EDITION 8
Height 25 cm | 10"



DANTE - LOOKING FOR PARADISE, EDITION 8
Height 45 cm | 18"



IN FAIR VERONA, EDITION 8
Height 28 cm | 11"



NEWTON'S APPLE, EDITION 8
Height 24 cm | 9.5"



FIRST SNOW OF WINTER, EDITION 8
Height 54 cm | 21"

PUBLIC WORKS



ST RICHARD,
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MONUMENT



HM QUEEN
ELIZABETH



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FERGUSON



ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST,
PORTSMOUTH



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WATERLOO STATION



THE YOMPER



THE YOUNG
MOZART



WALLENBERG
MONUMENT



HM THE QUEEN



THE UNITED TRINITY,
MANCHESTER

EXHIBITION HISTORY

Current Works:

- Sculpture of Joan Littlewood for the Theatre Royal, Stratford East. To be unveiled in early 2014
- Sculpture of Sir Simon Milton, One Tower Bridge, London
- Sculpture HRH the Duke of Edinburgh, Great Park, Windsor

Significant Public Sculptures & Monuments:

- Sculpture of Sir Alex Ferguson, for Manchester United FC, unveiled November 2012
- The Bomber Command Memorial Sculpture, Green Park, London. A group of seven figures, depicting the crew of a Heavy Bomber; unveiled by HM The Queen, 28th June 2012
- National Memorial Sculpture to HM Queen Elizabeth, the Queen Mother The Mall, London, unveiled by HM The Queen
- Sculpture of Lord Glenconner, Mustique
- Sir Alf Ramsay, Wembley Stadium.
- Arch Angel Gabriel sculpture, for South Harting Church
- Sculpture of St John the Evangelist, for Portsmouth RC Cathedral
- 'The United Trinity' sculpture (George Best, Denis Law, Bobby Charlton), Manchester United.
- Relief sculpture for the Foreign & Commonwealth Office
- Bobby Moore sculpture for the New Wembley Stadium, London
- 'Don Ottavio' installed in the Courtauld Institute of Art, London
- Sculpture of Terence Cuneo, unveiled by The Princess Royal, Waterloo Station, London
- Sculpture of The Founders, St Margaret's Convent, Birmingham
- HM The Queen's Equestrian Sculpture, Windsor Great Park, unveiled by HM The Queen
- Sculpture of King George VI, Britannia Royal Naval College, Dartmouth, unveiled by The Princes Royal
- The 'In Pensioner' sculpture for The Royal Hospital, Chelsea, London, unveiled by The Duke of Westminster
- 'St Richard' sculpture, Chichester Cathedral
- 'St George' sculpture, for the Linch War Memorial
- The Gurkha Memorial, Horse Guards Avenue, London, unveiled by HM The Queen
- The Wallenberg Monument, London, unveiled by HM The Queen
- The Wallenberg Monument, unveiled in Buenos Aires, Argentina
- Constantine the Great, York Minster, unveiled by Lord Coggan
- Christ in Judgment, Chichester Cathedral, unveiled by Lord St John of Fawsley
- 'Sissi', Empress Elisabeth of Austria, Geneva, unveiled by Prince Marcus of Austria
- 'Jersey Liberation Sculpture', Jersey, unveiled by HRH The Prince of Wales
- 'The Young Mozart' sculpture, Mayfair, unveiled by HRH Princess Margaret
- 'The Yomper' The Falklands War Memorial Sculpture, Portsmouth, unveiled by Baroness Thatcher
- 'The Peace' sculpture, Manchester

One-man Exhibitions (multiple):

- One-man exhibition, Chichester Festivities, Chichester Cathedral, July 2012
- The Portland Gallery, Mayfair, London
- The Catto Gallery, London
- Sotheby's Monumental Sculpture, Isleworth, USA
- The Bishop's Palace, Wells
- Savill Gardens, Windsor Great Park
- Palace House & Abbey Cloister, Beaulieu
- West Dean College & Gardens
- Chichester Cathedral
- Samares Manor, Jersey
- Ryman's, Chichester
- Naples, Florida USA
- Pashley Manor, East Sussex
- Parkview Gallery Bristol
- Casanova Gardens, Venice, Italy
- Jersey Museum, Channel Islands
- Chichester Festivities, Chichester Cathedral
- Stansted Park Foundation
- Solothurn, Switzerland

Appointments & Awards:

- 2009 Appointed Commander of the Royal Victorian Order
- 2008 Appointed Deputy Lieutenant of West Sussex
- 2007 Appointed to the Fabric Committee of Chichester Cathedral
- 2005 Awarded Honorary Master of Arts Degree, University of Chichester
- 2001 Elected member of the Art Workers Guild
- 1993 Awarded Otto Beit Medal for Sculpture
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- 1990 Awarded Silver Medal Royal Society of British Sculptors
- 1989 Elected Fellow, Royal Society of British Sculptors



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