

## **TOM PHILLIPS**

### **SELECTED BIOGRAPHY**

1937            Born in London  
                  Educated St Catherine's College Oxford  
                  Camberwell School of Art, London  
                  Lives and works in London

### **ONE MAN EXHIBITIONS**

1965            AIA Gallery, London  
1968            Elizabeth Gallery, Coventry  
                  Ikon Gallery, Birmingham  
1970            Angela Flowers Gallery, London  
1971            City Art Gallery, Wolverhampton  
                  Welsh Arts Council Gallery, Cardiff  
1973            "Tom Phillips Printed Works", Hatton Gallery, Newcastle upon  
Tyne,           coinciding with the World Premiere of his Opera "Irma",  
produced for    Ceolfrith Arts Centre  
                  Marlborough Fine Art, London  
                  "A Humument", the complete work, ICA, London  
                  "Retrospective of Graphics 1963-73", Marlborough Graphics,  
London  
1974            Gallery 101, Johannesburg  
                  Marlborough Gallery Inc., New York  
                  Down Town Gallery, New Orleans  
1975            Gemeentemuseum, The Hague  
                  Galleria Massimo Valsecchi, Milan  
                  Museum am Ostwall, Dortmund  
                  Galerie Bama, Paris  
                  Centre d'Art et Communication, Vaduz Kunsthalle, Basle  
                  ARC 2, Musee d'Art Moderne de la Ville de Paris, Palais de  
l'Athenee,        Salle Croisnier, Geneva  
1976            Serpentine Gallery, Arts Council of Great Britain  
                  Fabian Fine Art, Cape Town  
                  Durban Municipal Art Gallery  
                  New Gertrude Posel Gallery, University of Witwatersrand,  
                  Johannesburg  
                  National Museum and Art Gallery, Gaborone  
                  Midland Group Gallery, Nottingham  
                  City Art Gallery, Wolverhampton  
                  Arts Centre, Durham  
                  Mappin Art Gallery, Sheffield  
                  Oriel Gallery, Welsh Arts Council  
1977            Recent Prints, Waddingtons  
                  Arts Council Travelling Exhibition, Delta Gallery, Holland,  
                  Kunstverein, Mannheim

- 1978 British Council/AIFACS, New Delhi  
Lefevre Gallery, New York  
Galerie Bama, Paris
- 1979 Centre Cultural du Marais, Paris  
Marlborough Gallery, London
- 1980 Massimo Valsecchi, Milan  
Galerie Bama, Paris  
Graphic Work, British Council Touring Exhibition
- 1981 Stadia Graphics Gallery, Paddington, N. S. W.  
British Council Touring Exhibition, Tom Philips Graphics(to  
Klooster Ter Appel, Netherlands).
- 1982 Waddington Galleries, London  
British Council Touring Exhibition to :  
Ivrea, Italy  
Bologna, Italy  
Verona, Italy  
Trieste, Italy  
Udine, Italy
- 1983 Victoria and Albert Museum, London.  
Waddington Galleries, London
- 1984 British Council Touring Exhibition to :  
Madrid, Spain.  
Mostoles, Spain.  
Leon, Spain.  
Vigo, Spain.  
Zemora, Spain.  
Bilbao, Spain.  
Segovia, Spain.  
Aranjuez, Spain.  
Granada, Spain
- 1985 Wingfield College, Suffolk, Artist in Residence.  
Nailsworth Festival, Gloucestershire.  
British Council Touring Exhibition to :  
Bogota, Columbia.
- 1986 Recent Prints, Angela Flowers Gallery, London  
Book Works, New York  
British Council Touring Exhibition to :  
Lima, Peru.  
Trujillo, Peru.  
Quito, Ecuador.
- 1987 Prints, Graphics, Turnpike Gallery, Manchester  
Fifty years of Tom Phillips, Angela Flowers Gallery, London  
Van Dyck Gallery, Bath  
Simone L' Hermitte, Rouen, France.  
The Turnpike Gallery, Wigan  
Angela Flowers Gallery, London  
Mappin Art Gallery, Sheffield.  
Nailsworth Library & Mortimer Rooms, Gloucestershire  
  
British Council Touring Exhibition to :

- Kingston, Jamaica  
 Santiago, Chile  
 Concepcion, Chile  
 Vina, del Mar, Chile.
- 1988 Smaller Works, Angela Flowers Gallery, London  
 Angela Flowers Gallery at Forum, Hamburg  
 Bass Museum, Miami, Florida  
 Iris Murdoch Portrait and related works, Ulster  
 British Council Touring Exhibition to :  
 Baghdad, Iraq
- 1989 "Tom Phillips: The Portrait Work", National Portrait Gallery,  
 London
- 1990 "Dante's Inferno", Kunsthalle, Basel  
 North Carolina Museum of Art  
 Minsky's Studio, New York  
 Kings Lynn Festival of Music and Art.  
 Marita Gillian Gallery, Raleigh, North Carolina  
 Mead Gallery, University of Warwick.
- 1992 Galerie Reckerman, Cologne  
 NCSU Centerstage, Raleigh, North Carolina  
 Marita Gillam Gallery, Raleigh, North Carolina.  
 Theatre National, Brussels.  
 Royal Academy, London  
 Victoria and Albert Museum, London  
 Flowerseast, London  
 Smith Jariwala Gallery, London  
 Berggruen & Zevi, London
- 1993 Retrospective, Royal Academy of Arts, London and Yale Center  
 for British Art, Newhaven, Connecticut
- 1997 60<sup>th</sup> birthday retrospectives, Dulwich Picture Gallery and South  
 London Gallery, London
- 1999 Gallery M, Flowers East at London Fields, London
- 2001 Modern Art Museum, Fort Worth, Texas
- 2004 Artist and Word - New and Recent Work, Flowers East
- 2005 Works from a Humument, Flowers, New York
- 2006 Ashmolean Museum, Oxford
- 2006 Flowers Graphics, London

## **GROUP EXHIBITIONS**

- 1964 "Young Contemporaries", London
- 1965 Arts Council Travelling Exhibition
- 1966 "Undefined Situation", Howard Roberts Gallery, Cardiff  
 John Player Exhibition, London  
 "Small Paintings", (Prize winner), AIA  
 John Moore's Liverpool Exhibition, (Prize winner)  
 "Play Orbit", ICA, London
- 1967 Milan  
 Premio Lissone XV

- Sears Roebuck Gallery, Chicago.  
Four English Painters  
Toured to four other American Cities
- 1968 Arlington Quadro, Bidburry, Gloucestershire.  
British and Portuguese Concrete Poetry  
Midland Group Gallery, Nottingham  
John Player Open touring exhibition  
Lisson Gallery, London
- 1969 Ikon Gallery, Birmingham  
Buenos Aires  
International de Novisma Poesia  
Brno  
Visual Poetry  
London  
John Player Open  
I.C.A. London ( in association with Welsh Arts Council)  
Play Orbit  
Liverpool  
John Moores Exhibition  
Prize winner  
Piccadilly gallery, London  
Christmas Exhibition  
I.C.A London  
Apollinaire Commemoration Exhibition
- 1970 Critic's Choice, Tooth's Gallery, London  
Curwen Gallery, London  
Coriander Studio, Prints  
Darmstadt, Germany  
III. Internationale der Zeichnung
- 1971 Venice Biennale  
"Multiples", Arts Council of Great Britain  
Whitechapel Art Gallery, London  
Bristol Arts Centre, Bristol  
Polytechnic School of Art, Nottingham.  
Dorothy's Umbrellas  
Angela Flowers Gallery
- 1971 Baltimore Museum of Art, U.S.A.
- 1972 Contemporary Music Scores  
Newcastle Gallery  
Look! Hear? The Graphic World of Music Italy.  
Festival de L'UNITA Grottalie. Poesia in Pazza  
Exemplificazione Internazionale Di Poesia Sperimentale  
Ikon Gallery, Birmingham  
Ikon Througu the Looking Glass
- 1973 "La Peinture Anglaise d'Aujourd'hui", Musee d'Art Moderne de la  
Ville de Paris  
Midland Group Gallery, Nottingham  
Kunsthalle, Baden- Baden

Toured to Kunsthalle, Bremen, and Brussels, Palais des Beaux  
Arts.  
Kunsthalle, Bern  
6 Aus London  
I.C.A Gallery, London  
Works by English Artists donated to the Museo de la  
Solidaridad of  
Santiago de Chile  
Cabinet des Estampes du Musee d'Art et d'Historie de  
Gene've  
Graveurs Anglais Contemporains  
Bibliotheque Nationale, Paris  
Enrichissements du Cabinet des Estampes 1969 – 1973  
Galerie Stadler, Paris  
Estampes Anglaises Actuelles  
Oxford Gallery, Oxford  
Present impressions  
1974 International Biennale of Figurative Paintings, Tokyo  
"Art as Thought Process", Arts Council of Great Britain  
"British Painting '74", Hayward Gallery, London  
National Galleries of Scotland  
Tapestries Exhibition  
Serpentine Gallery, London  
Art as Through Process  
Tokyo International Biennale  
New Image in Painting  
1975 Sao Paolo Biennale  
Arts Council of Great Britain  
Exhibition touring Lati America  
Contemporary British Drawing  
Cheltenham Art Gallery  
The Recollection touring Exhibition  
1976 Art Inglesse Oggi (1960 - 1976)", Palazzo Reale, Milan  
"Recent British Art", British Council Tour to Yugoslavia, South  
and Eastern Europe, and Scandanavia  
Moderna Galerija, Ljubljana  
Razstava Novejse Britanske Umetnosti  
J.P.L. Fine Arts, London  
Card game  
Ethniki Pinakothiki Gallery, Athens  
Recent British Art  
University of Kentucky Art Gallery, Lexington  
1977 British Painting, Royal Academy, London  
The Mechanised Image, Summer Exhibition, Royal Academy  
Biennale of Tapestry, Lausanne  
Le Drapeau, St. Tropez Museum  
Museum of Contemporary Art, Belgrade  
Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago.  
Wards at Library / The Word as Image  
Museum of Contemporary Art, Skopje

Recent British Art  
Dorset County Museum. The Recollection  
Toured to Bristol City Gallery and Newlyn & Orion Galleries,  
Penzance

1978  
Kunsthalle, Malmo (tecken)  
Summer Exhibition, Royal Academy, London  
Metafisica del Quotidiano: Bologna  
"Art for Society", Whit Chapel Art Gallery, London  
"Miniatures", Coracles Press Gallery  
Royal College of Art, London  
Museum Stuiki, Lodz, Poland  
Kunstforeing, Trondheim, Norway  
Kunstforening, Bergen, Norway  
Kluuvin Gallery, Helsinki  
Royal Academy, London  
Bologna, Italy  
Coracle Press Gallery, London  
Welsh Arts Council Touring Exhibition

1979  
Biennale Sao Paulo, Brazil  
Centrol de Arte Contemporanea, Museu National de Soares dos  
Reos. Oporto  
Atelier St. Anne, Brussels  
Victoria and Albert Museum, London  
Massimo Valsecchi Gallery, Milan  
Tolly Cobbold / Eastern Arts  
Africa Centre , London

1980  
"The Open and Closed Book", Victoria and Albert  
Museum, London  
Benches Documentary, Tate Gallery, London  
Newlyn Arts Gallery, Cornwall  
South London Art Gallery  
Staatsgalerie, Stuttgart  
Mostyn Art Gallery, Llandudno, North Wales  
Ferens Art Gallery, Hull  
Stoke on Trent City Art Gallery

1981  
Master Drawings, Marlborough Gallery, London  
Biennale Medellin, Columbia  
British Tapestries, Sainsbury Centre  
Bookworks, Travelling Exhibition  
New Acquisitions, British Museum  
Southampton Art Gallery  
The Mappin Gallery, Sheffield  
Strathclyde University, Collins Exhibition Hall  
Leicester Art Gallery and Museums  
Musse d'Ort Moderne de la Ville Paris, France  
Ljubljana, Yugoslavia  
Maclean Gallery, London  
Acne Gallery, London  
Waddington Galleries, London  
Marlborough Gallery, London

Medellin, Columbia  
 Sainsbury Centre, East Anglia  
 British Museum, London  
 Angela Flowers Gallery, London  
 South Hill Park Arts Centre Bracknell  
 Ikon Gallery, Birmingham  
 Blurcoat Gallery, Liverpool  
 Sunderland Arts Centre, Tyne and Wear  
 The Victoria Art Gallery, Bath  
 Regional Craft Centre, Lincoln  
 1982 Crafts Council, The Selective Eye  
 South Bank Show  
 Walker Art Gallery, Liverpool  
 Waddington Galleries, London  
 Gardner Centre for the Arts, University of Sussex  
 New Metropole Arts Centre, Folkstone  
 Highland Craftpoint, Inverness  
 Ann Berthoud Gallery, London  
 Museum of Contemporary Art, Utrecht, Netherland  
 Galerie, Bana, Paris  
 Craft Council Exhibition  
 Angela Flowers Gallery, London  
 Hayward Gallery, London  
 Arnot Art Museum, U.S.A  
 1983 Museo municipal, Madrid  
 Touring Italy and Spain  
 Royal Academy, London  
 France, St Brieuc  
 Ave, de Saxe, Paris  
 Whitworth Art Gallery, University of Manchester  
 Angela Flowers Gallery, London  
 John Hansard Gallery, London  
 1984 "British Artists Books 1970 - 83", Atlantis Gallery, London  
 Tate Gallery, London  
 Barbican Art Gallery, London  
 Atlantis Gallery, London  
 St. Pauls Gallery, London  
 Astley Cheetham Gallery, Stalybridge  
 National Portrait Gallery, London  
 New York public Library, Centre for Book Arts  
 Royal Academy  
 Angela Flowers Gallery, London  
 1985 Musée des Beaux Arts de Rouen, France  
 Lancent Busnic, Charleroi  
 Cornerhouse, Greater Manchester Arts Centre  
 Royal Academy, London  
 Pompidou Centre, Paris  
 Anne Berthoud Gallery, London  
 1986 Jack Barclay, London  
 Tate gallery, London

Art Gallery, Scarborough  
 Cartwright Hall, Bradford  
 London Middleborough, Aberdeen, Swansea and Worcester  
 Angela Flowers Gallery, London  
 Royal Academy, London  
 Musée des Beaux arts, Calais, France  
 Northan Centre for Contemporary Arts, Sunderland  
 Arnolfini Gallery, Bristol  
 Art Now, London  
 Zimbabwe Heritage. Contemporary Visual Arts  
 1987 New Faces at the National Portrait Gallery, London  
 Sixteen Artists, Process and Product, Angela Flowers Gallery  
 London  
 Artside Gallery, Bath  
 Touring Exhibition, Travelling to  
 Durham, Hull, Stoke, Glasgow, Newcastle, Swansea,  
 Sheffield,  
 Llandudno and London  
 Atelier St. Anne, Brussels  
 The turnpike gallery, Wigan and Leigh  
 Royal Academy, London  
 National Portrait Gallery, London  
 Stadt Mainz, Gutenberg Museum  
 Sotheby's, London  
 School of Art & Design, Sunderland Polytechnic The Art Book  
 Thumb Gallery, London  
 Kimberlin Exhibition Hall, Leicester  
 Printmakers Council Touring Exhibition  
 The Portico Library and Gallery, Manchester  
 1988 Contemporary Portraits, Flowers East, London  
 Saturday's Book Arts Gallery, Ohio  
 Centre for Book Arts, New York  
 Mall Galleries, London  
 Central Museum and Art Gallery, Northampton  
 Arnolfini Gallery, Bristol  
 Bass Museum of Art, Miami Beach, Florida  
 Flowerseast Gallery, London  
 Gainsborough House, Sudbury, Suffolk  
 The Lefevre Gallery, London  
 Ulster Museum, Belfast  
 St Bridge's Printing Library, London  
 Sotheby's London  
 1989 Main Library, Metro Dade Cultural Centre, Miami  
 Museum of Modern Art, New York  
 Waterman Fine Art, London  
 VOK All Union Society of Bibliophiles, Moscow  
 Royal Society of Painter- Etchers and Engravers touring  
 exhibition  
 Michael Parkin Gallery, London  
 Victoria Art Gallery, Bath

Christies, London  
 Flowerseast Gallery, London  
 Independent Curators Inc, New York  
 Touring America 1989- 1992, travelled to Franklin Furnace  
 Archive Inc.  
 New York  
 British Library, London  
 Centre Culturel de Boulogne- Billancourt, France  
 Waterman Fine Art, London  
 National Gallery, Kuala Lumpur  
 1990 Hong Kong Museum of Art  
 Blackhealth School of Art, London  
 Business Design Centre, Islington, London  
 Flowerseast gallery, London  
 Twining Gallery, New York  
 Southbank Centre, london  
 Mall Galleries, London  
 Royqal Academy, London  
 National Gallery of Zimbabwe  
 Otis/Parsons Gallery, Los Angeles  
 1991 Manchester Art Centre  
 Royal Academy, London  
 Mail Galleries, London  
 Piccadilly Gallery, London  
 Phillips Fine Art, London  
 Bonhams, Londo  
 Plymouth Arts Centre, Devon  
 Flowerseast Gallery, London  
 Bankside Gallery, London  
 1992 National Portrait Gallery, London  
 Travelled to The Gallery, at Windsor Castle  
 Flowerseast Gallery, London  
 The On Line Gallery, Southampton  
 Plymouth Arts Centre, Devon  
 Mandeville Gallery, University of Califolnia, San Diego  
 Royal Academy, London  
 The Miami Beach Conference Centre, Florida  
 1996 Small is Beautiful part XIV: Sex, Flowers East, London  
 1997 Small is Beautiful part XV: Death, Flowers East, London  
 British Figurative Art part I, Flowers East, London  
 1998 Small is Beautiful part XVI: Music, Flowers East, London  
 1999 British Contemporary Landscape, Flowers East, London  
 2000 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Exhibition, Flowers East, London  
 Pastel Society, Mall Galleries, London  
 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, Flowers West, Santa Monica  
 2001 32 Years of Angela Flowers Gallery, Flowers East, London  
 2004 Small is Beautiful XXII, Flowers Central, London  
 2005 Angela Flowers Gallery 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Exhibition, Flowers  
 East, London  
 Small is Beautiful, Flowers Central, London

2006 The Artist and the Book, Pelham Art Center, New York

## PERFORMANCES OF MUSIC

1968 Bordeaux Festival  
York Festival of New Music

1969 BBC Radio 3 (Music in Our Time)  
BBC Radio 4 (School Music Series)  
SPNM Concert  
Cheltenham Festival  
Assonanza Nuova, Rome  
Radio/TV Italia

1970 Purcell Room, Royal Festival Hall with John Tilbury  
City Art Gallery, Wolverhampton

1971 Arnolfini Music Sessions

1973 Premier of "Irma", an Opera, York University

1975 Publication of record, "Words and Music" (Editions Hansjorg Mayer)

Concert given by John Tilbury in Basle to coincide with retrospective Exhibition

1976 Performance of "Irma", Cape Town

1977 Atelier, Brussels  
Centre Cultural du Marais

1978 Tom Phillips/Special feature  
Radio France Culture  
Royal Exchange, Manchester  
All India Radio

## DISCOGRAPHY

1974 "Words and Music" (Records Hansjorg Mayer)

1977 "Irma", an Opera (Obscure Records)

1978 "Music by Intervalles" Paris

## FILMOGRAPHY

1977 "Tom Phillips", Arts Council of Great Britain (Made by Arbor Films)

"Drawing: a Film", made by the artist

1990 "A TV Dante", co-directed with Peter Greenaway

## PUBLICATIONS AND BIBLIOGRAPHY

1966 ICA Bulletin (editor Jasia Reichardt)  
May and July: Scores of "Four Pieces for John Tilbury and Jigsaw Pieces" and first publication of "A Humument" (extract)

- 1968 "Plakat 8", Opening Press  
"Poem for John Cage"
- 1969 Card Series
- 1970 "The Directions" (with Jerome Rothenburg), Tetrad Press  
"Correspondence (with Roy Fisher), Tetrad Press  
"Metamorphoses", (with Roy Fisher), Tetrad Press
- 1971 "Trailer", Edition Hansjorg Mayer  
Poster, Page of "A Humument", Tetrad Press  
"Humument", Vols. I,II, supplement, Tetrad Press
- 1972 "A Humument", Vols. III,IV,V, Tetrad Press  
"Ein Deutsches Requiem", Tetrad Press  
"The Birth of Art", Tetrad Press  
"Lesbia Waltz", Tetrad Press  
"Seven Miniatures, Opus XIV", Tetrad Press
- 1973 "A Humument", Vol. VI, Tetrad Press  
Monograph on the artist, Editions Alecto
- 1974 "A Humument", Vol.VII, Tetrad Press  
"The Source of the Dove", Tetrad Press
- 1975 "Tom Phillips Works and Texts to 1974 ", Edition Hansjorg  
Mayer  
"A Humument", Vols. VIII,IX, Tetrad Press  
Imaginary Postcards (with Jonathan Williams), Jargon Society
- 1976 "A Humument", Vol.X (final volume), Tetrad Press
- 1977 Variations on p.85, Coriander Press  
Homage to Eric Satie (Ed. Furnival) Openings Press  
Tribute to Basil Bunting (Jargon Society)
- 1980 "A Humument", Thames and Hudson, London
- 1977/83 Preparation of edition of "Dante's Inferno", (Translation and  
Illustrations)
- 1991 "Tom Phillips: Works and Texts", Thames and Hudson, London
- 1995 "Africa: The Art of a Continent", Royal Academy, London

## PRESS PUBLICATIONS

- 1970 Art and Artists, September
- 1971 Studio International, October
- 1972 New Aquisitions Catalogue, Tate Gallery, 1970-72
- 1973 Studio International, July/August, Cover illustration
- 1974 Art in America, Illustrated article by Jerry G. Bowles  
Artlook, Johannesburg, Illustrated article
- 1975 Art International, June, Illustrated article, by R.Kennedy (and  
cover)
- 1976 Artlook '99 (RSA), February/March  
Arts Review, 12 November  
Skira Art Annual  
Apollo, August '76  
Terizo Occhio, Bologna, September
- 1977 Action Musicale, Paris  
Studio International Music Issue  
"Musics", London, February

1978 "Open Letter" (Double Issue monograph)4(I & II), Toronto  
Late Modern, Edward Lucie-Smith (Thames and Hudson), 1977  
Century of Change, Richard Shone (Phaidon)  
1983 "Revelations of Craftsmanship", Paddy Kitchen, The  
Times, 15.11.83

## **PUBLIC COLLECTIONS**

Arnolfini Trust  
Arts Council of Great Britain  
Art Gallery, Swindon  
Auckland City Art Gallery, New Zealand  
Bibliothèque Nationale, Paris  
Boymans-van Beingen Museum, Rotterdam  
British Council  
British Museum, London  
Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation, Lisbon  
Centre d'Art et Communication, Vaduz  
Chase Manhattan Bank  
City Art Gallery, Sheffield  
City Art Gallery, Manchester  
City Art Gallery, Southampton  
City Art Gallery, Wolverhampton  
Contemporary Arts Society  
Deutsche Bank AG London  
Financial Times, London  
Gemeentemuseum, The Hague  
Henie-Onstad Art Center, Hovikodden, Norway  
Lloyds TSB Group plc, London  
Leicester City Art Gallery  
Malmo Museum  
Museum of Modern Art, New York  
Musée d'Art Moderne de la Ville de Paris  
Museum of Modern Art, Delhi  
National Museum, Botswana  
National Museum, Stockholm  
National Gallery of Australia  
National Gallery of Wales  
Neue Galerie der Stadt Aachen (Sammlung Ludwig)  
Peter Moores Foundation, Liverpool  
Philadelphia Museum of Art  
Tate Gallery, London  
Victoria and Albert Museum, London  
Walker Art Gallery, Liverpool  
Welsh Arts Council  
Weatherspoon Art Gallery, University of North Carolina at Greensboro  
Whitworth Art Gallery, Manchester