

EILEEN AGAR

Born 1899, Buenos Aires, Argentina

Died 1991, London, UK

EDUCATION

1921 Slade School of Fine Art, University College London, UK

1920 Brook Green School of Art, London, UK

1919 Byam Shaw School of Art, London, UK

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2026 'Eileen Agar' Alison Jacques, London, UK

'Leaves of the World', Andrew Kreps, New York, US

2022 'Eileen Agar: Angel of Anarchy', Leeds Art Gallery, UK

2021 'Eileen Agar: Angel of Anarchy', Mjellby Art Museum, Halmstad
Sweden; Whitechapel Gallery, London, UK

2018 Farley's House & Gallery, Chiddingfold, UK

2017 'Eileen Agar: Bride of the Sea', Jerwood Gallery, Hastings, UK

2015 'Eileen Agar: Natural Ready-mades', Henry Moore Institute, Leeds, UK

2009 'Eileen Agar: An Eye for Collage', Pallant House Gallery, Chichester, UK

1999 Scottish National Gallery of Modern Art, Edinburgh;
Leeds City Arts Gallery, UK

1990 Birch and Conran Fine Art, London, UK

1987 'A Retrospective', Birch and Conran Fine Art, London, UK

1975 New Art Centre, London, UK

1971 Commonwealth Art Gallery, London, UK

1964 Brook Street Gallery, London, UK

1963 Galleria Billico, Rome, Italy

1962 Brook Street Gallery, London, UK

1957 Obelisk Gallery, London, UK

1951 Hanover Gallery, London, UK

1949 Hanover Gallery, London, UK

1947 Leger Galleries, London, UK

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- 1944 The Redfern Gallery, London, UK
- 1942 The Redfern Gallery, London, UK
- 1933 Bloomsbury Gallery, London, UK

GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2027 'Peggy Guggenheim in London: The Making of a Collector', Guggenheim Museum, New York, US (forthcoming)
- 2026 'Peggy Guggenheim in London: The Making of a Collector', Peggy Guggenheim Collection, Venice, Italy; Royal Academy of Arts, London, UK

'In the Very Bowels of Changes: Surrealism and Antifascism', Museum of Modern Art, Warsaw, Poland

'Treasure House Art Fair: British Surrealism and Beyond: Treasures from Southampton City Art Gallery', Royal Hospital Chelsea, London, UK
- 2025 'Forbidden Territories: 100 Years of Surreal Landscapes', The Box, Plymouth, UK

Looking Back / The 15th White Columns Annual', White Columns, New York, US

'British Art: Convergences', Centro de Arte Moderna Gulbenkia, Lisbon, Portugal

'The Gorgeous Nothings: Flowers at Chatsworth', Chatsworth House, Derbyshire, UK
- 2024 'Forbidden Territories: 100 Years of Surreal Landscapes', The Hepworth Wakefield, UK

'The Subversive Eye: Surrealist and Experimental Photography from the David Raymond Collection', Salvador Dali Museum, Florida, US

'Julia Margaret Cameron to Eileen Agar: The Hewat Collection', Pallant House Gallery, Chichester, UK

'Still Lives', The Hepworth Wakefield, UK

'Serenity and Revolution', Santa Barbara Museum of Art, US
- 2023 'A Surreal Shock: Masterpieces from Museum Boijmans van Beuningen' ARoS Aarhus Kunstmuseum, Denmark

'Judy Chicago: Herstory', New Museum, New York, US
- 2022 'Sussex Landscape: Chalk, Wood and Water', Pallant House Gallery, Chichester, UK
- 2022 'Radical Landscapes', Mead Gallery, Warwick Arts Centre, UK
- 2021 'Surrealism Beyond Borders', The Metropolitan Museum of Art,

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New York, US

'A Surreal Shock: Masterpieces from Museum Boijmans van Beuningen',
Seoul Arts Centre, South Korea; Museum of New Zealand,
Wellington, New Zealand

'Seaside Modern: Art and Life on the Beach', Hastings Contemporary, UK

'Surrealist Art: Masterpieces from Museum Boijmans Van Beuningen',
Museum of New Zealand, Wellington, New Zealand

2020 'British Surrealism: 1783-1952', Dulwich Picture Gallery, London, UK

'The Botanical Mind: Art, Mysticism and The Cosmic Tree',
Camden Art Centre, London, UK

'The Ingram Collection: The Art of Watercolour', The Lightbox, Woking, UK

2019 'Constellations: A Choreography Of Minimal Gestures', Museum
of Contemporary Art, Lisbon, Portugal

2018 'Lee Miller and Surrealism in Britain', The Hepworth Wakefield, UK;

Joan Miró Foundation, Barcelona, Spain

'Cathie Pilkington: Working from Home', Pallant House Gallery,
Chichester, UK

'Game Changers: International Modernism', Auckland Art Gallery,
Auckland, New Zealand

'Virginia Woolf: an exhibition inspired by her writings', Tate St Ives, UK;
Pallant House Gallery, Chichester, UK; Fitzwilliam Museum, Cambridge, UK

2017 'Dreamers Awake', White Cube Bermondsey, London, UK

'Paul Nash', Tate Britain, London, UK

'An Architect's Eye: The Peter Collymore Gift', Pallant House Gallery,
Chichester, UK

'We are Completely Free. Women Artists and Surrealism', Museum Picasso,
Malaga, Spain

'In Their Own Words: Artists' Voices from The Ingram Collection',
The Lightbox, Woking, UK

'Mad About Surrealism, Museum Boijmans Van Beuningen',
Rotterdam, Netherlands

'Sussex Modernism: Retreat and Rebellion', Two Temple Place, London, UK

2016 'British Art from Whistler to World War', Santa Barbara Museum of Art,
California, US

2015 'Plasters: Casts and Copies', The Hepworth Wakefield, UK

'Apparitions: Frottages and Rubbings from 1860 to Now'
The Menil Collection Museum District, Houston, US

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- 2013 'Modern British Collage and its Legacy', Pallant House Gallery, Chichester, UK
- 2012 'The Road is Wider than Long: Roland Penrose and British Surrealism', Southampton City Art Gallery, UK
- 2011 'Transmitter / Receiver: The Persistence of Collage From the Arts Council Collection MIMA Middlesbrough', Middlesbrough, UK
- 2009 'Lee Miller and Friends', Pallant House Gallery, Chichester, UK
- 2008 'British Surrealism & Other Realities: The Sherwin Collection', Middlesbrough Institute of Modern Art, UK
- 2007 'Surreal Things - Surrealism and Design', Victoria & Albert Museum, London, UK
- 2005 'Aspects of Modern British Art', Austin Desmond Fine Art, London, UK
- 2004 'Collage', Bloomberg Space, London, UK
- 2000 Inaugural Exhibition, Tate Modern, London, UK
- 1997 'El Objeto Surrealista', IVAM Centre Julio Gonzalez, Valencia, Spain
- 1996 'In the Mind's Eye: Surrealist Works on Paper', Whitworth Art Gallery, Manchester, UK
- 1992 'Ten Decades: Careers of Ten Women Artists Born 1897-1906', Norwich Gallery, Norfolk Institute of Art and Design, UK
- 1990 'Collages Surréalistes', Galerie Zabriskie, Paris, France
- 1989 'British Surrealism', Blond Fine Art, London
- 1988 'The Surrealist Spirit in England', Whitford and Hughes, London, UK
- 1987 'La Femme et le Surréalisme', Musée Cantonal des Beaux-Arts, Lausanne, Switzerland
- 1986 'Surrealism: Objects, Photographs, Collages, Documents', Zabriskie Gallery, New York, US
- 'International Surrealist Exhibition', 50th Anniversary of 1936 Exhibition, Canterbury, Newcastle, Leeds, Bristol, UK
- 'Contrariwise: Surrealism and Britain 1930-1986', Swansea Festival Exhibition, Swansea, UK
- 'British Surrealism: Fifty Years On', The Mayor Gallery, London, UK
- 1984 'In the Spirit of Surrealism', Oliver Bradbury and James Birch Fine Art, London, UK
- 1982 'The Women's Art Show 1950-1970', Nottingham City Museum and Art Gallery, UK
- 'Les enfants d'Alice. La peinture surréaliste en Angleterre 1930-1960', Galerie 1900-2000, Paris, France

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- 1981 'Image and Form: British Sculpture in the 20th Century, 1901-1950', Whitechapel Art Gallery, London, UK
- 1980 'The Other Face of the Avant-Garde 1910-1940', Palazzo Reale, Milan, Italy; Stockholm, Sweden
- 1979 'Thirties: British Art and Design Before the War', Hayward Gallery, London, UK
- 'International Exhibition of Soft Art', Kunsthaus, Zurich, Switzerland
- 1978 'Dada and Surrealism Reviewed', Hayward Gallery, London, UK
- 1976 'British Painting 1900-1960', Sheffield City Art Gallery, UK
- 'Leon Underwood and 12 Girdler's Road', New Arts Centre, London, UK
- 1974 'British Painting 1974', Hayward Gallery, London, UK
- 1973 'The Illustration of Reality and the Reality of Illusion', McRobert Centre, Stirling University, UK
- 1971 'Britain's Contribution to Surrealism of the '30s and '40s', Hamet Gallery, London, UK
- 1969 'John Moores Exhibition', Walker Art Gallery, Liverpool, UK
- 1966 'Paintings by Eileen Agar, John Bolam, Rama Rao', Ashgate Gallery, Farnham, UK
- 1965 'Art in Britain 1930-40', Marlborough Gallery, London, UK
- 1964 'Fifty Years of British Art 1914-64', London Group Jubilee Exhibition, Tate Gallery, London, UK
- 1961 'The Art of Assemblage', MoMA, New York, NY
- '69 John Moores' Exhibition', Walker Art Gallery, Liverpool, UK
- 1956 'Modern Trends in Watercolour Painting', Cumberland House, Museum and Art Gallery, Portsmouth, UK
- 1952 'The Mirror and The Square', New Burlington Galleries, London, UK
- 1951 'London Group', New Burlington Galleries, London, UK
- 1947 'Exposition Internationale du Surréalisme', Galerie Maeght, Paris, France
- 1945 'Works by Eminent British Artists', Russell-Cotes Gallery, Bournemouth, UK
- 1942 'New Movements in Contemporary Art. Contemporary Work in England', London Museum, London, UK
- 1940 'Surrealism Today', Zwemmer Gallery, London, UK
- 'Surrealist Work: Artists International Association', Whitechapel Art Gallery, London, UK

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- 1939 'Living Art in England', London Gallery, London, UK
'British Surrealist and Abstract Paintings', Northampton Art Gallery, UK
- 1938 'International Surrealist Exhibition', Gallerie Robert, Amsterdam,
The Netherlands
Galerie des Beaux-Arts, Paris, France
'Surrealist Objects and Poems', London Gallery, London, UK
'Pictures on the Staircase', London Gallery, London, UK
- 1937 'Surrealist Objects and Poems', London Gallery, London, UK
'Exposition Internationale du Surréalisme', Nippon Salon, Tokyo, Japan
'Fantastic Art, Dada and Surrealism', MoMA, New York, US
'Unity of Artists for Peace, Democracy And Cultural Development',
Artists' International Association, Whitechapel Art Gallery, London, UK
- 1936 'Fantastic Art, Dada and Surrealism', MoMA, New York, US
International Surrealist Exhibition, New Burlington Galleries, London, UK

COLLECTIONS

Arts Council Collection, London, UK
Auckland Art Gallery Toi o Tāmaki, New Zealand
Bradford Museums & Galleries, Bradford, UK
British Museum, London, UK
Christchurch Art Gallery Te Puna O Waiwhetu, New Zealand
Courtauld Institute of Art, London, UK
Derby Museums and Art Gallery, Derby, UK
Ferens Art Gallery, Hull, UK
Government Art Collection, London, UK
The Hepworth Wakefield, UK
The Ingram Collection of Modern British & Contemporary Art, London, UK
Imperial War Museums, London, UK
Jerwood Collection, Hastings, UK
Mercer Art Gallery, Harrogate, UK
Museum Boijmans van Beuningen, Rotterdam
National Galleries of Scotland, Edinburgh, UK
National Museum of Wales, Cardiff, UK
National Portrait Gallery, London, UK
National Trust, UK
Plymouth City Council, Plymouth, UK
The Potteries Museum & Art Gallery, Stoke-on-Trent, UK
Reiff Collection, UK
Royal Academy of Arts, London, UK