

Simon Hitchens

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Education

1990 BA Hons Fine Art, University West England

Solo Exhibitions

- 2023 *Parallels*, Somerset Rural Life Museum, Glastonbury, curated by CLOSE
- 2022 *Beyond Body*, Black Swan Arts, Somerset
- 2021 *Trace*, Kevis Gallery, Petworth
- 2019 *Thinking Beyond Rock*, Cheeseburn, Northumberland
- 2017 *Touchstones, b-side*, Portland
- 2009 *A Separate Reality*, Royal British Society of Sculptors, London
- 2008 *Presence and Absence*, Maddox Arts, London
- 2006 *Napoleon Garden*, Holland Park, London
- 2005 *Simon Hitchens*, Spica Museum, Tokyo
- 2004 *Present*, Paul Stolder Gallery, London
In the Presence of Absence, St Stephen Walbrook, City of London
Seeking the Sublime, Hestercombe Gardens and Brewhouse Art Centre, Taunton, Somerset
- 1998 *New work*, A22 Lystall Street, Paul Stolper, London.

Selected Group exhibitions

- 2025 *Frieze Sculpture 2025*, Regent's Park, London (17 Sept-2 Nov 2025)
AFTER NATURE, CLOSE Gallery, Somerset (13 Sept-25 Oct 2025)
IN TIME, ArtMoorHouse, London (in collaboration with CLOSE Ltd)
- 2024 *AT The Bus* charity exhibition at Sotheby's London
A Skin Made Porous, Anima Mundi Gallery, St Ives
- 2023 *Landscapes of Progress?*, Hestercombe Gallery, Somerset
Lines of Empathy, CLOSE Gallery, Somerset
Changing Landscapes, Wilderness Art Collective, Arc Studios, London
Wander Land, Tremenheere, Penzance, Royal Society of Sculptors
Lines of Empathy, Patrick Heide Contemporary Art, London
- 2022 *The Hitchens Family: A Shared Love of Landscape*, Southampton City Art Gallery
Samhain, Anima Mundi Gallery, St Ives, Cornwall (online)
RWA Open, Bristol
Together We Rise, Chichester Cathedral
Forever in the Now, Woking, Surrey
- 2021 *Thresholds*, Anima Mundi, St Ives, Cornwall
- 2020 *Beyond Ourselves*, Anima Mundi, St Ives, Cornwall

- Ode to a Nightingale, Anima Mundi, St Ives, Cornwall*
Somerset Reacquainted, Somerset Rural Life Museum
- 2019 *Parallel Lines, Lightbox, Woking*
Cheeseburn Sculpture, Northumberland
Ivon, John and Simon Hitchens, Kevis House, Petworth
RWA Sculpture Open
RWA Summer Open
- 2018 *Faces of Sculpture, Royal Society of Sculptors, London*
Glass, One Canada Square, Canary Wharf, London
RWA Open Exhibition, Bristol
Cheeseburn Sculpture, Northumberland
- 2017 *RWA Open, Bristol*
Drawn, RWA, Bristol
Buffet d'Art, Hestercombe Gallery, Taunton
- 2016 *CAN Mountain Arts Festival, Rheged, Cumbria*
Wells Art Contemporary, Wells
RWA Summer Exhibition, Bristol
Mending Revealed, Bridport Arts Centre. Dorset
- 2015 *Wells Art Contemporary, Wells*
CAN Mountain Arts Festival, Rheged, Cumbria
Second Site, Hestercombe Gallery, Taunton, Somerset
Bedales 25, Bedales Gallery, Petersfield Hampshire
- 2013 *On Form London, Crypt Gallery, London*
- 2012 *Interesting Times, Leicester University*
On Form, 2012, Asthall Manor, Oxfordshire
- 2011 *Under A New Sun, OSR Projects, Somerset*
Sculpture at The Grove, Grove Hotel, Hertfordshire
- 2011 *Woburn Artbeat, Woburn Abbey Gardens, Bedfordshire*
Pincent Masons, London
Received Wisdom, Arlington Art Centre, Newbury
Hannah Peschar Sculpture Garden, Ockley, Surrey
- 2010 *Small is Beautiful XXVIII, Flowers, London*
Ego Alter, Square1 Art, Arundel, Sussex
On Form, 2010, Asthall Manor, Oxfordshire
Ludlow Open, Ludlow, Shropshire
Quartz Arts Festival, Queen's College, Taunton, Somerset
Sculpture in Paradise, Chichester Cathedral, Sussex
Chelsea Flower Show, London
Found, Arlington Arts Centre, Newbury, Berkshire
- 2009 *Ten artists, Ludlow, Shropshire*
A Quiet Knowledge, Arlington Arts Center, Berkshire
Art Contact Sculpture Show, Horseheath, Cambridgeshire
Hannah Peschar Sculpture Garden, Ockley, Surrey
Sound and Vision, Ilminster Arts Centre, Somerset
- 2008 *Hannah Peschar Sculpture Garden, Ockley, Surrey*
- 2007 *Small is beautiful XXIV, Flowers Central, London*
Spectrum, Abbey House Gardens, Malmesbury
Gulf Art Fair, Madinat Jumeira, Dubai
- 2006 *Small is beautiful XXIII, Flowers Central, London*
RBS, Rollo Contemporary Art, London
- 2005 *Small is beautiful XXII, Flowers Central, London*
Jerwood Sculpture Prize, Jerwood space, London
Sculpture in the planning, Atkinson Gallery, Millfield School, Somerset
RBS Centenary Exhibition, Leicester University, Leicester
Royal British Society of Sculptors, Inside Annual 2005, London
- 2004 *Ivon, John and Simon Hitchens, The Canon Gallery, Petworth, Sussex*

- Imagine*, One Canada Square, Canary Wharf, London
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Art '04, Paul Stolper, London
Bologna Art Fair, Paul Stolper, Italy
2003 *Frieze Art Fair*, Regents Park, London
40 Designers, Aubrey Square, London
Turin Art Fair, Paul Stolper, Italy
C21 art fair, Paul Stolper, London
Art '03, Paul Stolper, London
Inaugural Exhibition, Paul Stolper Gallery, London
Summer Exhibition, Royal Academy, London
2002 *Think Big*, Peggy Guggenheim Museum, Venice
Somerset Art Week, The Manor House, Curry Mallet, Somerset
Art '02, Wiseman Originals, London
c20th Art Fair, Paul Stolper, London
Royal British Society of Sculptors, Summer Exhibition, London
Farmilo Fiumano, London
2001 *In the blood*, Wiseman Originals, London
Cynthia Corbett Gallery, London
Cynthia Corbett Gallery, Boston Art Fair
2000 *Defining the times*, Milton Keynes Gallery, Milton Keynes
1999 *Outside Art*, Arundel Cathedral, Arundel
Art '99, Paul Stolper, London
Seeing the light, Chichester Cathedral, Chichester
1998 *c20th Art Fair*, Royal College of Art, London
1997 *Eight by Eight*, Pallent House, Chichester
Young Blood, Crane Kalman, London
Lewes Sculpture Trail, Lewis Castle, Lewis
1996 *Crane Kalman*, London
1995 *Hannah Peschar Sculpture Garden*, Ockley, Surrey
Crane Kalman, FIAC, Paris
Hannah Peschar Sculpture Garden, Ockley, Surrey
Contemporary Art Society Market, Royal Festival Hall, London
Summer Show, Cadogan Contemporary, London
1994 *Hannah Peschar Sculpture Garden*, Ockley, Surrey
CAS Market, Royal Festival Hall, London
1993 *London Group Open*, Barbican, London
St. Albans Art, St. Albans Cathedral
1992 *London Group Open*, Barbican, London

Prizes and Awards

- 2004 *Vital Elements*, Cass Sculpture Foundation, Goodwood
In The Presence of Absence, Arts Council Grant, St. Stephen Wallbrook, London
2004 *Shortlisted Jerwood Sculpture Prize*, London
2002 *Quiet Core*, Cass Sculpture Foundation, Goodwood
1996 *Sculpture Symposium*, Barichara, Columbia (British Council)
1994 *Sculpture Symposium*, Presov, Slovakia (British Council)

Public Commissions

- 2022 *Physis*, public engagement sculpture for Pfizer, Science Museum Manchester & Science Museum London
- 2018 *ongoing Ascendant*: The Elizabeth Landmark, Northumberland
- 2015 *The Space Between*, M&G Real Estate, Forbury Place, Reading
Evidence of the Unseen Mountain, Native Land, Chelsea, London
- 2014 *Glorious Beauty*, Berkeley Homes, Kensington, London
- 2013 *Unity*, Urbanest, Kings Cross, London
Transition Point, Leys School, Cambridge
- 2009 *Positive Emptiness II*, 'Oasis' cruise liner.
- 2007 *Parallel Presence*, Limeharbour, London
- 2006 *Prospect Place*, Bellway Homes, Cardiff Bay
- 2005 *Coastline*, Workington, Cumbria
- 2003 *Shining Silence*, 100 Brompton Road, London
- 2001 *Rubus Five*, Rubus Court, London Road, Bracknell
- 1999 *Quiet Understanding*, Conquest Hospital, Hastings

Private Commissions

- 2019- *The Elizabeth Landmark*, Northumberland
- 2011 *The Trees of Life*, Prior's Court School, Berkshire
- 2009 *The Balance of Entropy*, Tetbury.
In the Light of Night, Tetbury.
- 2006 *Core*, Sarrat, Hertfordshire
Silence Shining, Fulham, London
- 2005 *Link*, Weybridge, Surrey
- 2004 *Blue Silence*, Sintons Solicitors, Newcastle
Entropic Circle, Stanmore, London
- 1998 *Risen*, Berkshire