

2026

KENNETH CLARK PRIZE FINAL



Friday 13th March 2026, 19:00, New Hall

Adjudicator:

Jo Baring, Director of the Ingram Collection

INTRODUCTION

Mr. Adam Rattray

Head of Art History

Finalists

Freddie Spearing (I)

Metamorphosis of Narcissus, Salvador Dalí, (1937)

Alexander Sharrocks (X)

Sulamith, Anselm Kiefer, oil, emulsion, shellac, acrylic paint, woodcut, and straw on linen (1983)

Anna Nott (D)

The Dinner Party, Judy Chicago, mixed media installation, (1979)

DRINKS INTERVAL (10 minutes)

Thomas Dunn (H)

The Battle of Alexander at Issus, Albrecht Altdorfer, oil on panel, (1529)

Thomas Grange (K)

War Elephant, Hieronymus Bosch?, oil on panel, circa 1500?

Jad Darkazally (D)

Enchanted Forest, Jackson Pollock, mixed media on canvas, (1947)

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Pianist

Sophie Meng, *Perfect Pitch*, Hospital of St. Cross and Almshouse of Noble Poverty

PREVIOUS WINNERS

- 2006 **Tom Davenport** *The Deposition Caravaggio*
Adjudicator: **Dr Simon Thurley**, Chief Executive of
English Heritage
Winner: ARTiculation Prize
- 2007 **Kit Stiby-Harris** *Centre Pompidou Richard Rogers
& Renzo Piano*
Adjudicator: **Mr Desmond Shawe-Taylor**, Surveyor of
The Queen's Pictures
- 2008 **William Thurston** *Interior (The Rape) Edgar Degas*
Adjudicator: *Sir John Tusa*, Chairman, University of the
Arts London
- 2009 **Conrad Griffin** *Reply of the Zaporozhian Cossacks to
Sultan Mehmed IV of the Ottoman Empire Ilya Repin*
Adjudicator: **Professor Joseph Koerner**, Harvard
University
- 2010 **Harry Fisher** *The Holocaust Memorial, Berlin*
Peter Eisenman - Adjudicator: **Dr Nicholas Penny**,
Director of the National Gallery
Finalist: ARTiculation Prize
- 2011 **Richard Freeland** *The Two Mysteries René Magritte*
Adjudicator: **Professor Deborah Swallow**, Director of
the Courtauld Institute
Winner: ARTiculation Prize

PREVIOUS WINNERS

- 2012 **James Cassir** *The Last Judgement Tympanum, Autun Cathedral*
Adjudicator: **Dr James M. Bradburne**, Director General,
Palazzo Strozzi Foundation
- 2013 Gaetano Lo Coco *Pietà 1550-55 Michelangelo*
Adjudicator: **Professor Timothy Wilson**, Keeper of
Western Art, Ashmolean, Oxford
- 2014 **Sam Groom** *Ellen DeGeneres, Kauai, Hawaii Annie Leibowitz*
Adjudicator: **Sir Mark Jones**, Master of St Cross College,
Oxford
- 2015 **Jack Sharp** *The three blades of Honda Tadakatsu*
Adjudicator: **Andrea Rose OBE CMG**
- 2016 **Hugo Cook** *The Great Temple, Abu Simbel*
Adjudicator: **Mr Timothy Llewellyn OBE**, Chairman of The
Burlington Magazine
- 2017 **Alex Butcher** *The Dome of Florence Cathedral, Filippo
Brunelleschi*
Adjudicator: **Dr Gabriele Finaldi**, Director of the National
Gallery

PREVIOUS WINNERS

- 2018 **Krystof Jirku** *The Sedlec Ossuary*
Adjudicator: **James Stourton**, Biographer of Kenneth Clark
- 2019 **Teddy Wilmot-Sitwell** *Up and Down, MC Escher, 1947*
Adjudicator: **Professor Stephen Bann CBE FSA FBA** University of Bristol
- 2020 **Felix Beddow** *Portrait of Winston Churchill, Graham Sutherland*
Adjudicator: **Professor Anthony Geraghty**, University of York
- 2021 **Sterling Blakey** *Let a Thousand Flowers..., Anselm Kiefer*
Adjudicator: **Dr. James Fox**, University of Cambridge
- 2022 **Oscar Schultz** *Red Square (1915)*
Adjudicator: **Dr. Xa Sturgis**, Ashmolean Museum
- 2023 **Mike Wimbush** *Impression III (concert), Wassily Kandinsky, 1911*
Adjudicator: **Dr John Goodall**, Architecture Editor, Country Life
- 2024 **Dominik Clarke** *Walt Disney Concert Hall, Frank Gehry, 2003*
Adjudicator: **Sir Timothy Clifford**, former Director of the National Galleries of Scotland
- 2025 **Imogan Millar** *Helena y El Pescador, Marco Evaristti, (2000).*
Adjudicator: **Dr. Caroline Campbell**, Director of the National Gallery of Ireland