

Press Release

Personal Relations

An international touring miniature-portrait exhibition bringing together art collectives worldwide, 2025-2027

Presented in London:

Project Space

192 Bellenden Road

SE15 4BW London

Opening event: Saturday 26 September, 5-8pm

Exhibition open: Sunday 27 September – Sunday 4 October 2026

Monday to Friday: 2-7pm

Saturday and Sunday: 12-6pm

Sunday 4 October, 11-3pm

Artist meet and greet: Sunday 27, 11-1pm (for participating artists)

Personal Relations features a collection of newly created miniature portrait works —each the size of a mobile phone—produced by artist members of three international art collectives:

[What Art Can Do, Amsterdam – The Netherlands](#)

[La Medusa, Centro di Cultura, Este – Italy](#)

[The London Group, London – United Kingdom](#)

The project is designed to foster cross-border collaboration & international understanding and explore portraiture as a form of cultural exchange.

In an era of heightened political tension, where national identities and borders are increasingly reinforced, Personal Relations seeks to create meaningful cultural bridges.

Through the universal language of art, the project aims to foster unity, collaboration, and artistic excellence across borders.

Historically, miniature portraits were often exchanged as political gift between rulers and ambassadors, symbolising connection and diplomacy.

In this project, over 150 artists are invited to reinterpret this tradition for the 21st century, responding to the history of miniature portraiture while exploring the smartphone screen as today's "portrait format"—an intimate, portable space for identity and connection.

The Personal Relations exhibition tour started in December 2025 in Amsterdam, at What Art Can Do gallery. The 150 miniature portraits then travelled across Europe to Italy, connecting artists, artist collectives and audiences. The exhibition was hosted by La Medusa Centro di Cultura at Sala Delmo Veronese gallery, in Este in May 2026.

After a meaningful journey and exchange, the London Group is excited to host the third and final exhibition of Personal Relations at the Project Space gallery in Peckham, London, in September 2026.

The Personal Relations project is produced by [Tisna Westerhof](#) & [Cristiana Bottigella](#), co-founders and directors of [hARTslane Gallery](#) in South East London. In 2016 they produced the first Personal Relations tour in response to Brexit. Tisna is an artist member of The London Group. Cristiana is an art producer, a curator and an artist mentor.

The project was co-produced in collaboration with the three art collectives:

Simone Swildens - What Art Can Do, Amsterdam

Ginetta Mazzuccato & Giancarlo Goldin - La Medusa Centro di Cultura

Paul Bonomini & Clive Burton - The London Group

The Artists

[The London Group, London](#)

Wendy Anderson / Melissa Alley / Victoria Arney / Jonathan Armour / Bryan Benge / Barbara Beyer / Stanislas Blatton / Paul Bonomini / Lesley Bunch / Clive Burton / Laura Carey / Paul Carey / Stephen Carley / Jacqueline Yuen-Ling Chiu / Ece Clarke / Peter Clossick / Gary Clough / Sandra Crisp / John Crossley / Martin Darbyshire / Stathis Dimitriadis / Simon E Head / Angela Eames / Eric Fong / Jan Frith / Cadi Froehlich / Marenka Gabeler / Alexandra Harley / R James Healy / Julie Held / Aude Herail Jager / Chris Horner / Gillian Ingham / Annie Johns / Anne Leigniel / Amanda Loomes / Hannah Luxton / Genetic Moo / Charlotte Mortensson / Ian Parker / Claire Parrish / Janet Patterson / Sumi Perera / Steve Pettengell / Christopher Poulton / Inga Tillere / Tommy Seaward / Suzan Swale / Paul Tecklenberg / Almuth Tebbenhoff / Lisa Traxler / Joshua Uvieghara / Annie Wasdell / Neil Weerdmeester / Tisna Westerhof / Susan Wilson / David Wiseman / Erika Winstone / Carol Wyss

[La Medusa, Este](#)

Silvia Baldisserotto / Alberto Balletti / Rosita Bernardo / Paola Bonotto / Alessandro Brusamolin / Luigi Dovigo / Giorgio Gattolin / Paola Gazziero / Salma Yaseen Ghaleb Hasan / Alessandra Locatelli / Michela Mascarucci / Ivone Ortolan / Silvia Paggiarin / Roberta Pancera / Olivia Pegoraro / Nicol Ranci / Andrea Rimondo / Luca Salvagno / Laurence Turina / Andrea Zago. Special guests participating in the Personal Relations exhibition in Este: art students at the Liceo Artistico G.B. Ferrari di Este.

[What Art Can Do, Amsterdam](#)

Wafae Ahalouch / Dominique Almeida / Sybila Baumann / Marion Bloem / Diana Blok / Melanie Bosboom / Leslie Browne / Marion Buitenhof Dirkse v/d Heuvel / Roberto Caradonna / Airco Caravan / Nelson Carrilho / Bilal Chahal / Paulo Chicareli / Isan Corinde / Brian Couthino / Hotegni Dansou / Moni Dekkers / Baharak Dehghan / Annelien Dijkman / Marjan De Voogd / Marijke De Vries / Els Groen / Erik Hessel / Ruud Hiel / Renate Jacobs / Jan Willem Kaldenbach / Inger Kolff / Viktoria Kova / Arjen Lancel / Geraldine Macdonald / Joanneke Meester / Jacqueline Muijtens / Lies Neve / Astrid Oudheusden / Clementine Oomes / Ine Poppe / Pieter W Postma / Carola Rombouts / Ola Samko / Max Schulze / Helia Simonneau / Mischa Smit Kleine / Tampidaro / Rob Thijssen / Eleanora Van Lingen / Marja Van Putten / Harry Van der Woud / Tinca Veerman / Robert Verhaaf / Greet Weitenberg / Paul Wiegman / Petra Wiek / Mattijs Werner.

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