

Modern Classicisms: Classical Art and Contemporary Artists in Dialogue

King's College London

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Friday 10 November 2017
Great Hall, King's College London, Strand, London WC2R 2LS

What is it about Greek and Roman art that still captivates the modern imagination?
 How can contemporary art help us to see the Classical legacy with new eyes?
 And what can such modern-day responses – set against the backdrop of others over the last two millennia – tell us about our own cultural preoccupations in the 21st century?



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Our opening *Modern Classicisms* workshop, on Friday 10 November sets out to explore the contemporary relevance of Classical traditions: by bringing together art historians, collectors, critics and artists, we aim to examine what the Classical artistic legacy means from the vantage-point of contemporary artistic practice.

Confirmed participants include the following artists, speakers and respondents: Tiphaine Besnard, Bruce Boucher, Matthew Darbyshire, Brooke Holmes, Nick Hornby, Polina Kosmadaki, Lisa Le Feuvre, Christian Levett, Simon Martin, Minna Moore-Ede, Verity Platt, Elizabeth Prettejohn, Marc Quinn, Mary Reid Kelley and Caroline Vout.

Alongside the presentation of a range of academic papers, there will be interventions with some of today's most celebrated artists. This workshop will take the form of a dialogue in the true sense of the word: not only will it stage a conversation between ancient images and modern responses, it will also include two-way discussions with some of the most celebrated names in contemporary British art.

* *Modern Classicisms: Classical Art and Contemporary Artists in Dialogue* is co-organised with the Courtauld Institute of Art, in collaboration with the Musée d'Art Classique de Minerve (which has led the way in displaying ancient artefacts alongside contemporary art and cinema, The International Review of Ancient Art and Archaeology).

* A more detailed programme will be published in the September/October issue of *Minerva*.

* Registration will open in August and, as places are limited, early booking is advised. For further information, please visit www.kcl.ac.uk/courtauld/about/areas/CMA/2017/programme.aspx

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 Free entry, reserved in 1981 and last in 1982.
 Book a table, 6 places, for £200/Musée d'Art Classique de Minerve

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For more information, please visit [here](#).

The full programme – complete with biographies of speakers – can be downloaded [here](#)

Contact:

Registration for this event will open in August. Places will be limited, and early booking is advised; there will be a small charge for tickets (which will contribute to the costs of the provided refreshments, lunch and evening reception).

Timings are provisional and more detailed information will also be released on this website in August 2017. Alternatively, please get in touch with Dr [Michael Squire](#) directly (michael.squire@kcl.ac.uk).