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WILHELMINA BARNS-GRAHAM CV

Born 1912, St Andrews, UK
Died 2004, St Andrews, UK

Education

1931 – 1937
Edinburgh College of Art (ECA)

Selected Solo Exhibitions

2026

Wilhelmina Barns-Graham, Tate St Ives, Cornwall, UK
Wilhelmina Barns-Graham: Nature in Motion, Museum Belvédère, Oranjewoud,
Netherlands

2025

Wilhelmina Barns-Graham, Mirage, Hales Gallery, London, UK
Colour and Line in Print – Wilhelmina Barns-Graham, Sidney Nolan Trust, Presteigne, UK

2024

Dancing into the Light II, Gallery East, Woodbridge, UK
A Scot in St Ives, works by Wilhelmina Barns-Graham, British Museum, London, UK

2023

Wilhelmina Barns-Graham: Earth, Wind and Fire, Gallagher and Turner, Newcastle upon
Tyne, UK
Wilhelmina Barns-Graham: Paths to Abstraction, Hatton Gallery, Newcastle upon Tyne,
UK

2022

Inspirational Journeys, Wilhelmina Barns-Graham Trust, Pier Arts Centre, Stromness, UK

2020

Inspirational Journeys, Wilhelmina Barns-Graham Trust, Royal West of England Academy,
Bristol, UK

2019

Inspirational Journeys, Wilhelmina Barns-Graham Trust, The Granary Gallery, Berwick-
upon-Tweed, UK

2018

Wilhelmina Barns-Graham: Sea, Rock, Earth and Ice, Jerwood Gallery, Hastings, UK;
Graves Gallery, Sheffield, UK

2017

A Different Way of Working: The Prints of Wilhelmina Barns-Graham, Wilhelmina Barns-
Graham Trust, The Burton at Bideford, Devon, UK

2016

A Different Way of Working: The Prints of Wilhelmina Barns-Graham, Wilhelmina Barns-
Graham Trust, Beverley Art Gallery, Beverley, UK
Wilhelmina Barns-Graham: A Scottish Artist in St Ives, Wilhelmina Barns-Graham Trust,
Penlee House Gallery, Penzance, UK

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2013

A Different Way of Working: The Prints of Wilhelmina Barns-Graham, Wilhelmina Barns-Graham Trust, The Dick Institute, Kilmarnock, UK

2012

Wilhelmina Barns-Graham: A Scottish Artist in St Ives, Wilhelmina Barns-Graham Trust, Fleming Collection, London, UK; City Art Centre, Edinburgh, UK

A Discipline of the Mind: The Drawings of Wilhelmina Barns-Graham, Wilhelmina Barns-Graham Trust, The Burton at Bideford, Devon, UK; Perth Museum and Art Gallery, Perth, UK

A Different Way of Working: The Prints of Wilhelmina Barns-Graham, Wilhelmina Barns-Graham Trust, Inverness Museum and Art Gallery, UK; St Fergus Gallery, Wick, UK; Iona Gallery, Woodstock, UK; Gracefield Arts Centre, Dumfries, UK

2010

A Discipline of the Mind: The Drawings of Wilhelmina Barns-Graham, Wilhelmina Barns-Graham Trust, Plymouth City Museum and Art Gallery, Plymouth, UK

2009

A Discipline of the Mind: The Drawings of Wilhelmina Barns-Graham, Wilhelmina Barns-Graham Trust, Pier Arts Centre, Stromness, UK; The Stanley and Audrey Burton Gallery, University of Leeds, UK

2007

Elemental Energies: The Art of Wilhelmina Barns-Graham, Trinity Hall, Cambridge, UK

Wilhelmina Barns-Graham: Evolution, Sherborne House, Dorset, UK

A Different Way of Working: The Prints of Wilhelmina Barns-Graham, Wilhelmina Barns-Graham Trust, University of St Andrews, UK

2005

Wilhelmina Barns-Graham: Movement and Light Imag(in)ing Time, Tate St Ives, UK

1999

Wilhelmina Barns-Graham: An Enduring Image, Tate St Ives, UK

1992

W. Barns-Graham at 80: A New View, William Jackson Gallery, London, UK; Lillie Art Gallery, Milngavie, Glasgow, UK

1993

W. Barns-Graham at 80: A New View, Abbot Hall Art Gallery, Kendal, UK; Royal Albert Memorial Museum, Exeter, UK; The McManus Gallery, Dundee, UK; Wakefield City Art Gallery, UK

1990

W. Barns-Graham: Retrospective 1940-1989, Perth Museum and Art Gallery, UK; Crawford Arts Centre, St Andrews, UK; Maclaurin Art Gallery, Ayr, UK

1989

W. Barns-Graham: Retrospective 1940-1989, Newlyn Art Gallery, Penzance, UK; City Art Centre, Edinburgh, UK

1984

W. Barns-Graham: Paintings and Drawings, Pier Arts Centre, Stromness, UK

1982

W. Barns-Graham: Paintings and Drawings, Crawford Arts Centre, St Andrews, UK

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1981

W. Barns-Graham: Recent Paintings, L.Y.C. Museum and Art Gallery, Banks, Cumbria, UK

Selected Group Exhibitions

2026

Earth Matters, Inverleith House Gallery, Royal Botanic Garden Edinburgh, UK

2024

Inked Up: Printmaking in Scotland, City Art Centre, Edinburgh, UK

2022

Wilhelmina Barns-Graham and Jonathan Michael Ray, Tate St Ives, UK

Living the Landscape, Museum Belvédère, Heerenveen, Netherlands

Looking East: St Ives Artists and Buddhism, 3812 Gallery, London, UK; 3812 Gallery, Hong Kong

2021

St Ives: Connecting Circles, Pallant House Gallery, Chichester, UK

2020

St Ives: Movements in Art and Life, Royal West of England Academy, Bristol, UK

2019

Creative Tensions: The Penwith Society of Arts 1949-1960, Penlee House Gallery, Penzance, UK

2010

Artists of St Ives and the South West, Plymouth City Museum and Art Gallery, UK

St Ives Exhibition, Belgrave Gallery, St Ives, UK

Original Prints by St Ives Artists, New Craftsmen Gallery, St Ives, UK

2008

St Ives Moderns, Belgrave Gallery, St Ives, UK

St Ives Exhibition, Belgrave Gallery, St Ives, UK

2007

Modernism in St Ives, Tate Gallery St Ives, UK

2001

Spring Exhibition, Newlyn Art Gallery, Penzance, UK

St Ives Past & Present: Paintings and Prints, New Academy Gallery, London, UK

1999

St Ives & British Modernism, Jonathan Clark Gallery, London, UK

1998

Small Pictures by W. Barns-Graham, Terry Frost, Alex Mackenzie, Breon O'Casey, Karl Weschke, Rainyday Gallery, Penzance, UK

1995

Cornwall: An exhibition of nine artists who have lived or worked in Cornwall, New Academy Gallery, Windmill Street, London, UK

Porthmeor Beach: A Century of Images, Tate St Ives, UK

100 Years Context & Continuity, Newlyn Art Gallery, Penzance, UK

A Cornish Midsummer, Royal West of England Academy, Bristol, UK

1992

Artists from Cornwall, Royal West of England Academy, Bristol, UK

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1991

St Ives, Austin Desmond Fine Art, London, UK

1989

40 Years at the Penwith, Beaux Arts, Bath Festival, UK

1987

The Experience of Landscape: paintings, drawings and photographs from the Arts Council of Great Britain Collection, South Bank Centre, London, UK

1986

Forty Years of Modern Art 1945-1985, Tate Gallery, London, UK

1985

St Ives: 1939-64, twenty-five years of painting, sculpture and pottery, Tate Gallery, London, UK

Cornwall 1925-1975, Michael Parkin Fine Art, London, UK

St Ives in Harlow, John Graham Fine Arts, Harlow, UK

1982

The Sea, St Ives and the Seeing Eye, St Ives Festival '82 Exhibition, Penwith Gallery, UK

1981

Kunst Aus Cornwall (Newlyn Society of Artists), Galerie Artica, Cuxhaven, Germany, in co-operation with Newlyn Orion Gallery, Penzance, UK

1979

Tate Gallery '79, Tate Gallery, London, UK

1977

Cornwall 1945 – 1955, New Art Centre, London, UK

British Artists of the 60s, Tate Gallery, London, UK

1970

Contemporary Scottish Paintings, Scottish National Gallery of Modern Art, Edinburgh, UK

1969

Inaugural exhibition, Marjorie Parr Gallery, St Ives, UK

St Ives Group, Festival Gallery, Bath, UK

1968

An exhibition of works by member of the Penwith Society of Arts, Austin Reed Gallery, London, UK

1965

Painters from West Penwith, St Ives, within 41st Annual Exhibition of the Scottish Society of Women Artists (SSWA), Royal Scottish Academy Building, Edinburgh, UK

1960

Painters from Cornwall 1960, City Art Gallery, Plymouth, UK

1955

Aspects of Contemporary Scottish Painting, South London Art Gallery, UK

1954

British Painting and Sculpture 1954, Whitechapel Gallery, London, UK

1953

West Country Landscape, Arts Council, South Western Region, UK

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1951

Fifteen Artists & Craftsmen from Around St Ives, Heal's Mansard Gallery, London, UK

1950

1950 Aspects of British Art, Institute of Contemporary Arts (ICA), Dover Street Galleries, London, UK

1949

Saint Ives Society of Artists, Winter Collection, New Gallery Norway Square, St Ives, UK
Penwith Society of Arts in Cornwall, First Exhibition, St Ives, UK

1948

Saint Ives Society of Artists, Spring Collection & Summer Collection exhibitions, New Gallery Norway Square, St Ives, UK
Fred Uhlman, Lyons Wilson, Edward Eker, W. Barns-Graham, Robin Ironside, Peter Grimm, Redfern Gallery, London, UK
Crypt Exhibition of Drawings, Paintings and Sculpture, and Fine Printing from the Latin Press, Crypt of the New Gallery, St Ives, UK

1947

Saint Ives Society of Artists, Spring Collection, Summer Collection & Autumn Collection exhibitions, New Gallery Norway Square, St Ives, UK
Paintings, Drawings Sculpture & Specimens of Printing, Spring & Summer No.1, Downing Bookshop, St Ives, UK
Cornwall: Paintings, Drawings and Sculptures: Sven Berlin, Peter Lanyon, W. Barns Graham, John Wells, Guido Morris, Crypt of the New Gallery, St Ives, UK

1945

Saint Ives Society of Artists, Summer Collection, New Gallery Norway Square, UK
Watercolours and Drawings by Living Scottish Artists, National Gallery of Scotland, Edinburgh, UK

1944

Saint Ives Society of Artists, Summer Collection, UK

Collections

Aberdeen Art Gallery & Museums, UK
Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney, Australia
Arts Council Collection, London, UK
Birmingham Museums & Art Gallery, UK
British Council, London, UK
British Museum, London, UK
Cornwall Council, UK
Dundee Arts & Heritage, McManus Gallery, UK
Edinburgh Museums and Galleries, City Art Centre, UK
The Fleming Collection, London, UK
Glasgow Museums & Galleries (Kelvingrove), UK
Government Art Collection, London, UK
Gracefield Arts Centre, Dumfries, UK
Hawick Museum, Wilton Lodge Park, Hawick, UK
Hepworth Wakefield Museum, West Yorkshire, UK
Highlands Regional Council Art Collection, Inverness, UK
Hocken Collection, University of Otago, New Zealand
Hove Museum & Art Gallery, UK
Imperial War Museum, London, UK
The Ingram Collection, London, UK

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King's College, Cambridge, UK
Kirkcaldy Museum and Art Gallery, UK
Leeds City Art Galleries, UK
Leeds Museums & Galleries, UK
Lillie Art Gallery, Milngavie, UK
Maclaurin Art Gallery, Ayr, UK
Manchester City Art Galleries, UK
Michigan University Museum, USA
Museum of New Zealand Te Papa, Tongarewa, New Zealand
Museums Sheffield, UK
National Galleries of Scotland, Edinburgh, UK
National Gallery of New Zealand, Wellington
New South Wales Art Gallery, Sydney, Australia
Nuffield College, Oxford, UK
Pallant House Gallery, Chichester, UK
Peter Scott Gallery, University of Lancaster, UK
Pier Arts Centre, Stromness, UK
Plymouth City Museum & Art Gallery, UK
Portsmouth City Art Gallery, UK
Reading Museum and Art Gallery, UK
Royal Collection, London, UK
Royal Scottish Academy, Edinburgh, UK
Royal West of England Academy, Bristol, UK
Scottish Arts Council Collection, Edinburgh, UK
Scottish National Gallery of Modern Art, Edinburgh, UK
Sheffield City Art Galleries, UK
Southampton City Art Gallery, UK
Southampton University Art Collection, UK
St Ives Library, Cornwall, UK
Tate Gallery, London and St Ives, UK
University College Falmouth, UK
University of Edinburgh, UK
University of Exeter, UK
University of Leeds Art Collection, UK
University of Michigan Museum of Art, USA
University of St Andrews, UK
University of Stirling, UK
Victoria & Albert Museum, London, UK
Wakefield Art Galleries & Museums, UK
Whitworth Art Gallery, University of Manchester, UK
Wolverhampton City Art Gallery, UK
York Museums Trust, UK