



# ROBERT MONTGOMERY

United Kingdom, b. 1972

## NOTABLE COLLECTIONS

Albright Knox Collection, Buffalo, New York, USA  
Cass Sculpture Foundation, Chichester, UK  
Manja Gideon Collection, Geneva, Switzerland  
Florence Welch Collection, London  
Michael Stipe Collection, New York, USA  
Wassner Collection, New York, USA  
Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, USA  
Edinburgh Art Festival Collection, Edinburgh, UK  
LVMH Collection. Work on permanent display at Dior Homme space, Soho, New York, USA  
Henrik Wobbe Collection, Hamburg, Germany  
The Museum of Contemporary Art, Yinchuan, China  
Benoit Pierre Emery Collection, Paris, France  
Collection of Patrick Van Ommeslaeghe, Antwerp, Belgium  
Charlie and Elizabeth Cetin Collection, London, UK  
Gianni and Michael Alen-Buckley Collection, London,  
UK Municipal Collection Saalfelden Leogang, Salzburg, Austria  
Artshare Collection, Los Angeles, USA  
Luepertz Collection, Berlin, Germany  
Jacques Esseberg Collection, Paris and St Tropez, France  
Dick Institute Collection, Scotland, UK  
Casa dell Arte Collection, Bodrum, Turkey  
Albright Knox Museum, New York, USA

## EDUCATION

BA, Edinburgh College of Art, Edinburgh, Scotland

MFA, Edinburgh College of Art, Edinburgh, Scotland  
Core Program Artist-in-Residence, Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, TX, USA

## VISITING PROFESSORSHIPS

- 2017 Visiting Artist, Chelsea College of Art, London  
2016 Bartlette Critique Visiting Artist, University of Newcastle  
2014 Visiting Artist, Fine Art Media, The Slade School of Art, London  
Visiting Artist, Chelsea College of Art, London

## SELECTED EXHIBITIONS

- 2024 'Mons en Lumières' BAM museum and city of Mons, Belgium
- 2023 "Robert Montgomery: Poem-Paintings and New Lightworks", MTArt at TM Lighting, London. Frieze week.  
[solo show] "Art After Dark"  
Leceister Square, Art of London, MTArt, Frieze week. "Robert Montgomery: When  
We Are Gone The Trees Will Riot", UBP Monaco, MTArt. [solo show] "Architecture and Poetry", curated by  
Fabio Barry, Hay Castle, Hay-on-Wye. "Tumultes" Danysz Gallery, Paris
- 2022 "La Suite de l'Histoire" the Musée du Louvre, Jardin des Tuileries, Paris.  
"Le Futur Expliqué aux Extraterrestres" Centre Culturel Jean Cocteau, Lilas, France.  
"Robert Montgomery: The Future Is An Invisible Playground" Madison Gallery, San Diego, USA.  
"Power! Light!" Kunstmuseum Wolsburg, Germany.  
"Urbain.es" La Condition Publique, Roubaix, France.
- 2021 "Salvage Paradise" Danysz Gallery, Paris. [solo show]  
"Grace of the Sun" Robert Montgomery X Little Sun at COP26 large scale solar powered light poem  
installation MTA Art Agency, Glasgow.  
"The Green Path" The Museum of Perama, Athens, Greece.  
"The Stars Pulled Down for Real" Oklahoma Contemporary, Oklahoma Contemporary. Installation on the  
the North Lawn. [solo show]  
"Recovery Poem" Commissioned by Emergency Exit Arts and Arts Council England. Brighton Festival and  
touring.
- 2020 "O Sole Mio". Parasol Foundation for Contemporary Art, London.  
"Body, Gaze, Power." Staatlichen Kunsthalle Baden-Baden and Stadtmuseum Baden-Baden, Germany

- "Sharing Perama." public works Perama, Athens. The British Council, Swiss Embassy, Analix Forever and The J. F. Costopoulos Foundation
- "Klagfarben Text: Visual Poetry for the 21st Century." British Council at the Lyrik Kabinett, Munich, Germany.
- 2019 " Libres" Centre d'art Contemporain, Yverdon-les-Bains, Switzerland.  
 "Shiny Colourful Amusements for the Walls of the Bourgeoisie" JD Malat Gallery, London. [solo show]  
 "Robert Montgomery: Stoke Works" text fragments around the city of Stoke-on-Trent, curated by B-Arts.  
 "The Beginning of Hope: Robert Montgomery" Galerie Analix-Forever, Geneva. [solo show]  
 "Robert Montgomery: The City in Their Echo" Aspen Art Museum, Aspen Colorado [solo show]
- 2018 "Paper Peace" Emergency Exit Arts and Arts Council England national touring project.  
 "Estuary Poem for Wyndham Lewis" One Canada Square, Canary Wharf, London. [solo show]  
 "In Our Dreams We See Forever" commission for the Royal Society for Blind Children, travelling the UK.  
 "E-Luminate Cambridge" Kings College Cambridge.  
 "Bombay Beach Biennale" Bombay Beach, California.  
 "New Generation" Madison Gallery, San Diego.  
 "La Prison Exposee" Champ-Dollon À Penthes, Geneva, Switzerland.  
 "A Journey to Freedom" Tasmanian National Museum and Art Gallery.
- 2017 "Hammersmith Poem and Love Letters to Kazimir Malevich" Cob Gallery, London. [solo show]  
 "Frieze Billboards" billboard works, Shoreditch, East London. [solo project]  
 "Parasolstice: Robert Montgomery" Parasol Unit Art Foundation, London. [solo project]  
 "The UK Holocaust Memorial Shortlist" Victoria & Albert Museum, London.  
 "Hammersmith Poem" Hammersmith Town Hall, London. [solo show]  
 "The Book of the Word" (curated by Michael Petry) Helsinki Contemporary, Helsinki.  
 "Election Poem" Flying Leaps, London.  
 "NuArt Festival" Aberdeen.
- 2016 "Year of the Propaganda Corrupted Plebiscites" Mannerheim Gallery, Paris. [solo show]  
 "Year of the Corrupted Eclipse" Printspace, London. [solo show]  
 "Cardiff Contemporary" Cardiff, Wales.  
 "Yinchuan Biennale" Yinchuan Museum of Contemporary Art, China.  
 "La Littorale- Biennale d'art Contemporain d'Anglet", Anglet, Sud-Ouest France.  
 "Nuart Festival" Stavanger, Norway.  
 "A New Language: Root 1066 Festival" Hastings, England.  
 "The Crystal Ship" Oostende, Belgium.  
 "Poetry For Change" Kulturno Informativni Centar, Zagreb, Croatia.  
 "To Fast to Live Too Young to Die", solar powered installation for the Climate Coalition at Osterley Park, London. [solo project]

- "Still Future", Dick Institute, Kilmarnock, Scotland.  
 "Icona Prize", Museo Mart, Verona
- 2015 "Robert Montgomery" Cer Modern Museum, Ankara [solo show]  
 "Robert Montgomery". Istanbul'74, Istanbul [solo show]  
 "Chapter 6 in Which We Sit Like Docile Cattle While You Use the Aesthetics of Punk Rock to Sell Credit Cards Back to Us" Galerie Nuke and Istanbul '74, Galerie Nikki Diana Marquandt, Paris. [solo show]  
 "ART COP 21" Paris.  
 "Bodies Burning at the Edges, Thomas Beal, Robert Montgomery, Jacolby Satterwhite, Kiki Smith". LeRoy Neiman Gallery, Columbia University, New York.  
 "People You Love." installation at The Southbank Centre, London, for National Poetry Day. [solo project]  
 "The Stars Pulled Down For Real". Public project for All Rise Seattle. [solo show]  
 "Robert Montgomery". Istanbul'74, Istanbul [solo show]  
 "Sunday in the Park with Ed". Display Gallery, London  
 "I was dancing when I was 8 : as French protestant middle class diaspora panic reached its height around 1556, refugee goldsmiths arriving in high Calvinist Geneva landed in their new home of free-thought finding themselves forbidden from making jewelry or any other objects of idolatry", and so were forced to begin their sullen and centuries long sexually-repressed fetishisation of watches + Smalltown Boy + the tragedy of Glasgow Rangers / a small but sustained cry against Calvin inspired by Marc Bolan and Bronski Beat". Galerie Analix Forever Geneva [solo show]  
 "Searock Songlines." Public project curated by Marc Fiedler Saalfelden Leogang, Austria [solo show]
- 2014 3 Poems About Buildings and Trees, Nuit Blanche Brussels  
 LA Billboard poems, curated by Do Art Foundation and Art Share, Los Angeles. [solo project]  
 Louvre Fire Poem, Jardin des Tuileries, Paris.  
 [solo project], IST Festival, Istanbul.  
 Piles of Dirt and Glass You Walk Upon. Galerie Colette, Paris. [solo show]  
 Fields of Vision, Grand Depart Tour de France, Yorkshire Festival, England.  
 Ian Hamilton Finlay, Robert Montgomery, Lawrence Wiener. Anna Jil Lüpertz Gallery, Berlin.  
 Still Future, The Arts Complex, Edinburgh.
- 2013 Affordable Care, Manya Wynwood, Miami.  
 Robert Montgomery C24 Gallery, New York. [solo show]  
 Quand l'art Prend la Ville, Defacto, La Défense, Paris.  
 Edinburgh Fire Poem. Commission for the Edinburgh Art Festival, The Mound, Edinburgh.  
 In Dreams. Cob Gallery, London.  
 Sculpture al Fresco III, Great Fosters, Surrey, England.  
 City is Wilder. Installation at Kater Holzig, Anna Jil Lüpertz Gallery, Berlin.  
 Echoes of Voices in the High Towers. Galerie Nuke, Paris [solo show]  
 Tokyo Billboards, Harajuko. Each X Other Projects.

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- 2012 The Kochi-Muziris Biennale, Fort Kochi, Kerala, India.  
Closer. Spinello Projects, Miami.  
Le Printemps de Septembre a Toulouse. Curated by Paul Ardenne. Toulouse, France.  
Robert Montgomery: Echoes of Voices in the High Towers. solo show part 2, Neue Berliner Räume, Stattbad Wedding, and billboard sites, Berlin.  
From The Age of The Poets. Cy Twombly, Ian Hamilton Finlay, Robert Montgomery etc, Aanat & Zoo, Berlin.  
Preposterous. La Scatola, London.  
Sublime · Kursiv. James Lee Byars, Christian Boltanski, Douglas Gordon, Robert Montgomery etc. Anna Jill Lupertz Gallery at Epicentro Art, Berlin.  
Noir Clair, curated by Barbara Polla and Victor de Bonnacaze, Galerie Vanessa Quang, Paris, France.  
Wealth. Mass, London.  
Oneliners, KOP, Breda, Netherlands.  
Robert Montgomery: Echoes of Voices in the High Towers. solo show, Neue Berliner Räume, site of old Tempelhof Airport and billboard sites, Berlin.  
Whenever An Angel. solo show, Galerie Analix-Forever, Geneva  
It Turned Out This Way cos You Dreamed it This Way. Solo show KK Outlet and billboard sites London.  
A Gathering (curated by Maria-Thalia Carras & Olga Hatzidaki), Athens Festival.  
Art St Barth, Valentine de Badereau Gallery, St Barths
- 2011 Fire of Each Other. solo show Galerie Nuke, Paris.  
And Like This You Keep Them Alive/On Love. Neue Berliner Räume. Berlin.  
All Palaces Are Temporary Palaces. Courtyard of the Palais de Tokyo Paris.  
The Streets Belong to No One. Truck on the streets of the Galata neighbourhood. Casa dell Arte project collateral to the 12th Istanbul Biennale, Istanbul.  
All Palaces Are Temporary Palaces. Lyon Docks, Docks Art Fair Program, Lyon.  
Orientale\*. curated by Maurizio Bortolotti and Shwetal Patel collateral to the Venice Biennale. Chiesa delle Zitelle, Venice.  
Royal Wedding Poem (gesso panel version). Scope Foundation project with Galerie Analix-Forever, Scope Art Basel, Basel.  
Royal Wedding Poems. Billboard series, London.  
Génération Polluée: Davide Bertocchi, Cyprien Gaillard, Camille Henrot, Marc Horowitz, Robert Montgomery, Douglas White. Galerie Nuke, Paris.
- 2010 Trees. Galerie Analix-Forever, Geneva.  
Heart of Glass. 20 Hoxton Square Projects, London.  
The People You Love Become Ghosts Inside of You. Scope Foundation project with Galerie Analix-Forever, Scope Art Basel, Basel.  
I Won't Give Up. with Fabio Paleari, Resistance Inc and Guido Costa Projects at Coningsby Gallery, London.

- Cars & Bikes. Galerie Analix-Forever, Geneva.  
Don't Jump- Mary Heilman, Robert Montgomery, Julie Ryan, Lawrence Weiner. Galerie Bigger Better Space, Vienna.  
The People You Love Become Ghosts Inside of You. The De La Warr Pavilion, Bexhill.
- 2009 Emotional Emergency. solo show, Analix Forever Gallery, Geneva.  
Words in the City at Night. Billboard Series. London.  
Utopia/Distopia. The Grand Palais, Paris (Art Paris program).  
Learning by Doing: 25 Years of Artist's in Residence at the MFAH. Museum of Fine Arts, Houston.
- 2008 Derniers Jours: May 68/May 08. solo show, Galerie Nuke, Paris.  
I Won't Give Up. collaboration with Fabio Paleari, Guido Costa Projects, Turin.
- 2007 Strategic Art Getts. curated by Neil Mulholland. The Embassy, Edinburgh.  
Dazed & Confused versus Andy Warhol. THE BALTIC, Newcastle-Gateshead.
- 2006 The Circle of Dead Grass Where the Circus Used to Be, Sean Flynn, David Fryer, Robert Montgomery. Trolley Gallery, London.  
Words in the City at Night. The Margaret Thatcher Project, New York.
- 2005 God is Bored of Us. Fast Moving Consumer Goods, London.  
Words in the City at Night, London

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"Echoes of Voices in the High Towers" monograph. Published by Mono Kultur, 2012, Berlin, Germany  
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"Signs of the Times" Audrey Gillian, The Scotsman Magazine, 23 June 2012  
"Robert Montgomery" Vinyl Riot Magazine, Spring 2012.  
"The Artist Vandalising Advertising With Poetry" Matilda Battersby, The Independent, February 3rd 2012  
"Fire of Each Other" monograph, published by Nuke Editions, 2011. Paris, France  
"Robert Montgomery" by Olivier Zahm. Purple Magazine, Fall/Winter 2011. Vol. III issue 16, Paris, France  
"The Don Draper With Soul". Interview with Laura Havlin for Phaidon. October 2011 "Robert Montgomery- Social Distortion" by Sven Fortmann. Lodown Magazine issue 78, October 2011, Berlin, Germany  
"Collective 1984-2009". by Kate Gray and Neil Mulholland. published by Revolver and the Collective Gallery. 2011. ISBN-10: 3868950338  
"Ghost in the Machine" interview with John Paul Pryor for Dazed & Confused. May 2011 "Robert Montgomery, The

Circle of Dead Grass Where the Circus Used to Be" SOME/THINGS MAGAZINE, issue 2. Paris, 2010.

"Street Art" by Francesca Gavin. Dazed & Confused Japan. April issue 2009.

"Robert Montgomery, Whenever You See the Sun Reflected in the Window of a Building it is an Angel"  
SOME/THINGS MAGAZINE, issue 1. Paris, France, 2009

"Core Artists and Critics in Residence" published by the Museum of Fine Arts Houston, 2008. ISBN: 9780890901625

"Robert Montgomery, Derniers Jours. Paris May 68/08" exhibition catalogue published by Nuke Editions, texts by Jerome Sans and David Dorrell. 2008

"I Won't Give Up" Robert Montgomery & Fabio Paleari, published by Damiani, 2008 ISBN: 9788862080194

"Robert Montgomery at Inman" by Frances Colpitt. Art in America, Vol. 85, No. 9