

HELEN MARTEN

Born 1985 in Macclesfield, UK
Lives and works in London

Education

2005-08 Ruskin School of Fine Art, University of Oxford, Oxford
2004-05 Central Saint Martins, University of the Arts, London

Scholarships and Awards

2016 Turner Prize
Hepworth Prize for Sculpture
2012 Luma Prize
2011 Prix Lafayette
2009 The Boise Travel Scholarship

Solo Exhibitions

2025 *30 Blizzards*, Miu Miu at Palais D'Léna, Paris
Treatise of a Coat, Sadie Coles, London
2023 *Evidence of Theatre*, Greene Naftali, New York
2022 *Third Moment Profile | The Almost Horse*, Sadie Coles HQ, Davies Street, London
2021 *Therefore, An Ogre*, Greene Naftali, New York
Sparrows On the Stone, Sadie Coles HQ, Kingly Street, London
2020 *18 Works on Paper*, Sadie Coles HQ, Kingly Street, Regent Street viewing Room, London
HOMEWORK #4: Card Palace, Sadie Coles HQ (online)
2019 *Fixed Sky Situation*, König Galerie, Berlin
2016 *Drunk Brown House*, Serpentine Sackler Gallery, London
Eucalyptus, Let us in, Greene Naftali, New York
2014 *Orchids, or a hemispherical bottom*, Johann König, Berlin
Parrot Problems, Fridericianum, Kassel
Oreo St. James, Sadie Coles HQ, London
2013 *No borders in a wok that can't be crossed*, CCS Bard Hessel Museum, Annandale-on-Hudson (catalogue)
2012 *Almost the exact shape of Florida*, Kunsthalle Zürich, Zürich (catalogue)
Evian Disease, Palais de Tokyo, Paris
Plank Salad, Chisenhale Gallery, London
2011 *Dust and Piranhas*, Park Night Project, Serpentine Gallery, London
Take a stick and make it sharp, Johann König, Berlin
2010 *All the single ladies*, Coltorti, Miami
I like my heroes marble chested, presented by Carl Kostyal and T293 for Frieze week, London
Wicked patterns, T293, Naples, Italy

Selected Group Exhibitions

- 2025 GMT, Hot Wheels, Athens
Sammlung Ringier 1995 – 2025, curated by Beatrix Ruf and Wade Guyton, Langen Foundation, Neuss
- 2024 *Hidden Noise Idiom*, Helen Marten Studio, London
Forbidden Territories: 100 Years of Surreal Landscapes, The Hepworth Wakefield; traveled to The Box, Plymouth
- 2023 *When Image Processing Became Painting*, Miguel Abreu Gallery, New York
When Dreams Confront Reality: Surrealism in Britain, Victoria Art Gallery, Bath
- 2022 *Before Tomorrow: Astrup Fearnley Museet 30 years*, Astrup Fearnley, Oslo
Drawing in the Continuous Present, curated by Rosario Güiraldes, The Drawing Center, New York
Breaking the Mould: Sculpture by Women since 1945, New Art Gallery Walsall, England
- 2021 *The Painter's New Tools*, Nahmad Contemporary, New York
Super Fusion-2021 Chengdu Biennale, Chengdu Museum of Contemporary Art and Tianfu Gallery, China
- 2020 *ONE DECADE OF FEMALE SCULPTORS*, König Galerie IM KHK, Vienna
100 Drawings from Now, The Drawing Center, New York
Drawing 2020, Gladstone Gallery, New York
Aria Dean, Helen Marten, Kelley Walker, Olga Balema, Raque Ford, Greene Naftali, New York
- 2019 *Who Knows One*, curated by Haim Steinbach, Vistamare, Pescara, Italy
The Body Electric, The Walker Art Centre, Minneapolis; travelled to Yerba Buena Center for the Arts, San Francisco
Object of Wonder – From Pedestal to Interaction. Sculpture from the 1960s to today, ARoS Aarhus Kunstmuseum, Aarhus, Denmark
You, Musée d'Art moderne de la Ville de Paris, Paris
Yorkshire Sculpture International, The Hepworth Wakefield, Wakefield, England
Hybrid Sculpture: Contemporary Sculpture from the Collection of the Stedelijk Museum, Stedelijk Museum, Amsterdam
The Body Electric, Walker Art Centre, Minneapolis
- 2018 *The Trick Brain*, Aïshti Foundation, Beirut
Good Grief, Charlie Brown!, Somerset House, London
Painting: Now and Forever, Part III, Greene Naftali, New York and Matthew Marks, New York
A TIME CAPSULE: Works Made by Women for Parkett, 1984-2017, Parkett Exhibition Space, Zürich
Faithless Pictures, The National Museum of Art, Architecture and Design, Oslo
- 2017 *made on the table*, Sadie Coles HQ, London
Suspended Animation, Les Abattoirs, Toulouse, France
EuroVisions: Contemporary Art from the Goldberg Collection, NAS gallery, Sydney
The Trick Brain, curated by Massimiliano Gioni, Aïshti Foundation, Beirut
All These Beautiful Ladies, curated by Francesca Ferrarini, ArtVilnius and Lewben Art Foundation, Vilnius, Lithuania (catalogue)
- 2016 Turner Prize, Tate Britain, London
Hepworth Prize for Sculpture, The Hepworth Wakenfield, Wakefield
Invisible Adversaries, curated by Lauren Cornell and Tom Eccles, Hessel Museum of Art, Bard College, Annandale-On-Hudson
WELT AM DRAHT, Julia Stoschek Collection, Berlin
From Minimalism Into Algorithm, The Kitchen, New York
Suspended Animations, Hirshhorn Museum, Washington, D.C.
Artists' Clothes, in conjunction with Condo, Carlos/Ishikawa, London
The future is already here — It's just not evenly distributed, 20th Biennale of Sydney, Sydney
NO MAN'S LAND, Rubell Family Collection, Miami (catalogue)
- 2015 *Life itself*, curated by Jo Widoff, Daniel Birnbaum, and Carsten Höller, Moderna Museet, Stockholm
Screen Play: Life in an Animated World, Albright-Knox Art Gallery, Buffalo (electronic catalogue)
This Sentence, curated by Public Fiction, China Art Objects, Los Angeles Works on Paper, Greene Naftali, New York
All the World's Futures, curated by Okwui Enwezor, 56th Venice Biennale, Venice (catalogue)
Works from the Astrup Fearnley Collection, Astrup Fearnley Museum, Oslo

- Turn on: Time-based works from the Julia Stoschek Collection*, Tel Aviv Museum of Art, Tel Aviv
For Real, curated by Anne Pontégnie, Galerie Kamel Mennour, Paris
Printmaking by ECAL, Musée Jenisch Vevey, Vevey
The New Human: You and I in Global Wonderland, curated by Joa Ljungberg, Moderna Museet, Malmö
THINGS: A Century of Works Purchased with the Contemporary Art Society, Grundy Art Gallery, Blackpool
Collecting Lines: Drawings from the Ringier Collection, Chapter II, curated by Arthur Funk and Beatrix Ruf, Villa Flora, Winterthur
- 2014 *Theater Objects A Stage for Architecture and Art*, curated by Fredi Fischli and Niels Olsen, LUMA Westbau, Zürich (catalogue)
Mirrorcity, Hayward Gallery, London
Europe, Europe, Astrup Fearnley Museet, Oslo
Urs Fischer curated show, Sadie Coles HQ, London
On the Devolution of Culture, Rob Tufnell, London
The Go-Between, Sprovieri Gallery, London
QUIZ, curated by Robert Stadler, Galerie Poirel, Nancy
Infinite Jest, Schirn Kunsthalle, Frankfurt am Main
New Generation, FRAC Nord-pas de Calais, Dunkirk
Superficial Hygiene, Museum De Hallen, Haarlem
- 2013 *Entropy of a City: Julia Stoschek Collection*, Mücsarnok Kunsthalle, Budapest
Abstract-Nature: Selected Parkett Artists' Editions, 1984-2013, Parkett Space, Zürich
The Encyclopedic Palace, 55th Venice Biennale, curated by Massimiliano Gioni, Venice, Italy
Meanwhile... Suddenly and Then, Lyon Biennale, 2013, curated by Gunnar B. Kvaran, Lyon, France
Flatness: Cinema after the Internet, 59th Oberhausen International Film Festival, Oberhausen, Germany
do it 20 13: A group art show, Manchester International Festival, Manchester Art Gallery, UK
- 2012 *New Pictures of Common Objects*, curated by Christopher Y. Lew, MoMA PS1, New York
CARA Domani: Opere dalla collezione Ernesto Esposito Glaze, curated by George Henry Longly, Chez Valentin, Paris
Inside the Banana, Albus Greenspon, New York
The New Public: From a new public dimension to new users, curated by Rein Wolfs, Museion, Bolzano, Italy
Standard Operating Procedures, curated by Piper Marshall, Blum and Poe, Los Angeles
MARCH, Sadie Coles HQ, London
- 2011 *Beyond Gestaltung*, curated by Thomas Thiel, Bielefelder Kunstverein, Bielefeld
Hasta Mañana, Greene Naftali, New York
Mirages, Fountains & Dissociative Composition, Galerie Catherine Bastide, Brussels
Fruits, Flowers, and Clouds, Museum of Contemporary Art (MAK), Vienna
- 2010 *WUFF*, COCO Kunstverein, Vienna, (travelling project through Austria, Ukraine, and Lithuania)
Untitled, curated by Am Nuden Da, Four Boxes Gallery, Krabbesholm, Denmark
Fake Modern, Camden Arts Centre, London
Mexican Blanket, Museum 52, London
- 2009 *Session_7_WORDS*, curated by Am Nuden Da and Material, Am Nuden Da, London
Boule to Braid, curated by Richard Wentworth, Lisson Gallery, London
- 2008 *BOX LADDER*, Modern Art Oxford, Oxford

Curatorial Projects

- 2022 *Hervé Télémaque: A Hopscotch of the Mind*, Aspen Art Museum, Colorado

Publications

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Marten, Helen. *Hey Frances!* Zurich: JRP Ringier. (forthcoming)
Marten, Helen. *Broken Villas*. London: Bricks from the Kiln.
- 2023 Marten, Helen. *Evidence of Theatre*. New York: Greene Naftali.
Thuring, Caragh. *Very Fantastically Arranged*. Cambridge: The MIT Press. (contributor)
- 2022 Marten, Helen. *Third Moment Profile / The Almost Horse*. London: Sadie Coles Hq.
Güiraldes, Rosario. *Drawing in the Continuous Present*. New York: The Drawing Center. (exh. cat.) pp 194–197
- 2021 Marten, Helen. *Therefore, An Ogre*. New York: Greene Naftali.
- 2020 Constable, Joseph, ed. Hervé Télémaque: *A Hopscotch of the Mind*. London: Koenig. (contributor)
Marten Helen. *The Boiled in Between*. London: Prototype Publishing.
- 2018 Staffan Ahrenberg and Miquel Barcelo, *Joan Miro*. Paris: Cashiers d'Art
Jeppesen, Travis; Myles, Eileen; and Dillon, Brian. *Helen Marten: Drunk Brown House*. Cologne: Walter Koenig
- 2016 Pfeffer, Susanne (ed.). *Parrot Problems*. exh. cat. London: Koenig.
All the World's Futures. exh. cat. Venice: Fondazione La Biennale di Venezia.
- 2015 Katz-Freiman, Tami. *No Man's Land: Women Artists from the Rubell Family Collection*. exh. cat. Miami: Rubell Family Collection.
Screen Play: *Life in an Animated World*, Buffalo: Albright-Knox Art Gallery (Electronic cat.)
- 2014 *High Performance*. exh. cat. Berlin: Distanz.
- 2013 *Entre-temps, brusquement, et ensuite: 12e Biennale de Lyon. Dijon: Les presses du reel*.
Marten, Helen, Beatrix Ruf, Tom Eccles, and Polly Staple. *Helen Marten: Olive*. exh. cat. Zurich: JRP/Ringier
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- 2024 Peterson, Vanessa. "Editor's Picks: A Boom in Independent Publishing." *Frieze*. June 7: Web.
Enright, Robert. "Material Language: An Interview with Helen Marten." *Border Crossings*. January: 50–61.
- 2023 Wu, Jenny. "Helen Marten's Waste Land." *ArtReview*. November 1: Web.
Krasinski, Jennifer. "The Fast Seduction: an exhibition by Turner Prize-winning artist is poison candy for the people." *4Columns*. October 12: Web.
Gluibizzi, Amanda. "Helen Marten with Amanda Gluibizzi." *The Brooklyn Rail*. October 2023: 20–25.
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- 2022 "CURA. 40: Manifesto." *CURA*. Spring / Summer: Print.
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Bennett, Alex. "Helen Marten: Whispered Circuitry, Drunken Quality." *Flash Art*. Spring 2021: 66-80.
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Ure-Smith, Jane. "Helen Marten on turning language and visual games into art." *Financial Times*. 11 September: Web.
Searle, Adrian. "Helen Marten review – Turner winner's new show leaves you gasping." *The Guardian*. 3 September: Web.
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Dillon, Brian. "Helen Marten's Intimate Affinities." *Frieze*. 10 September: Web.

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- 2010 Camblin, Victoria. "Special Comission for 032c by Helen Marten." *032c*. Summer: 93-105.
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- Marten, Helen. Interview with Matias Faldbakken. "Show Hidden Characters." *Mousse*. April, May: 192-95.
- Marten, Helen. Interview with Hans Ulrich Obrist. "More and More Megabytes." *Kaleidoscope*. Summer: 172-75.
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Public Collections

Aïshti Foundation, Lebanon
 Arts Council Collection, London
 Astrup Fearnley Museet, Oslo
 Grundy Art Gallery, Blackpool
 The Hepworth Wakefield, Wakefield, UK
 Hessel Museum of Art, Annandale-on-Hudson, New York
 Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden, Washington, D.C.
 Julia Stoschek Collection, Düsseldorf
 K11 Art Foundation, Hong Kong
 Manchester City Galleries, Manchester
 Moderna Museet, Stockholm
 Museion, Bolzano
 The Museum of Modern Art, New York
 Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum, New York
 Stedelijk Museum, Amsterdam
 Tate Britain, London
 Victoria Gallery & Museum, University of Liverpool, Liverpool
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