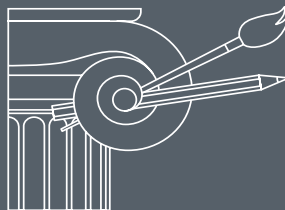


SSAA

Scottish Society of Architect Artists



Rob Moodie

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Summer Exhibition 2026

Royal Incorporation of
Architects in Scotland,
15 Rutland Square,
Edinburgh

in association with Ligne et Couleur

**ART BY ARTISTS FROM THE
ARCHITECTURAL PROFESSIONS OF
SCOTLAND**

The Scottish Society of Architect Artists was founded in 1987 and consists of like-minded architects interested in all the wider visual arts including drawing, painting, sculpture, jewellery, photography, print-making and experimental art.

It was formed to reinforce and maintain the well established historic relationship between art and architecture. Most architects in Scotland entered the profession through apprenticeships within architectural practices or via academic studies at Schools of Architecture, closely associated with Art Colleges in Aberdeen, Dundee, Glasgow and Edinburgh. Consequently many architects retain life long interest in the wider visual arts.

The SSAA is affiliated to but entirely independent of the Royal Incorporation of Architects in Scotland (RIAS) and is honoured to have HRH The Duke of Gloucester KG GCVO as Patron. Membership of the society is open to architects, students, and to those involved in architectural practice in Scotland, past and present. The society is now in its fourth decade and continues to be organised by an enthusiastic volunteer committee of members.

The aims of the Society are:

- to encourage architects to develop their skills in drawing, painting, sculpture, photography and related arts & crafts
- to provide opportunities for members to exhibit, communicate and sell their art work.

The Society has also embraced broader ambitions to develop and enrich active liaisons between artists and architects, and is committed to holding at least one annual exhibition of members' work which usually takes place in the spring or summer.

We welcome you to this small but intimate exhibition at the RIAS and really hope you enjoy the work on display.

Ian Stuart Campbell FRIAS FSAI
President, SSAA



Robin Webster

Houses at Tighnabruaich,
Kyles of Bute
£75



Houses at Tighnabruaich,
Shore Cottage,
Lunga Estate,
Loch Melfort
£75



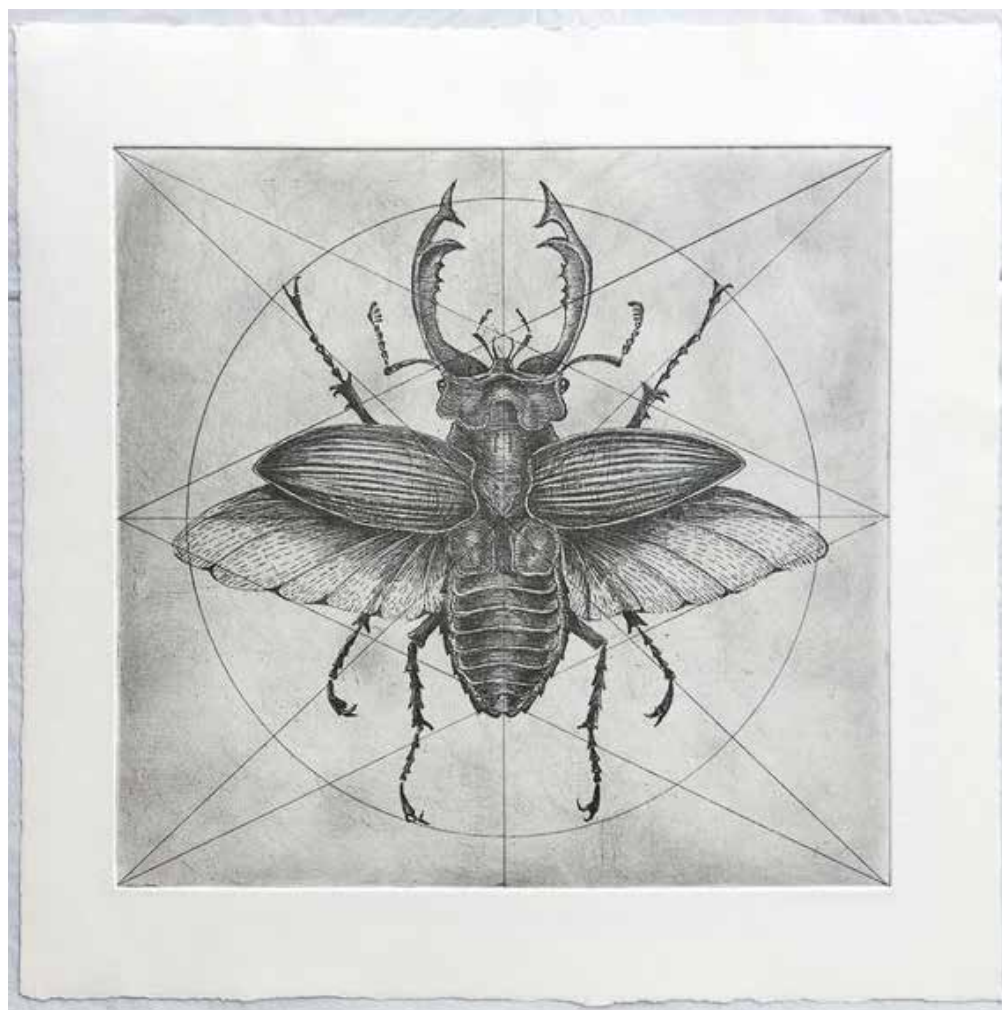
Mike Shepley

Miro Hommage aux Prix
Nobel
£650



Ian Parsons

Suilven Ridge at Dawn
NFS



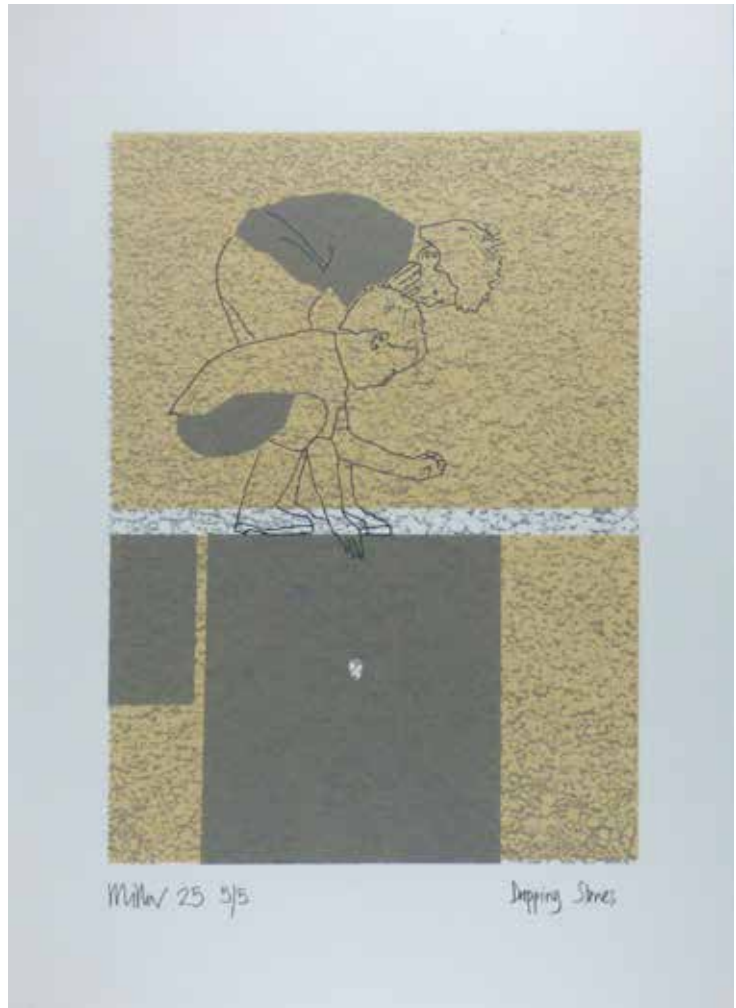
Nick O'Neill

Lucanus Cervus
NFS



Rob Moodie

Two Jugs and a Puffin
£300



John Miller

Dropping Stones
£115



Philip Lavery

Liminal Constructs III
£420



Mike Finnie

Whale of a Time!
£80

The wooden plinth used in this whale sculpture is part of the boat hull from "The Dove" - LK280.

After the boat finished serving as a ferry from Scalloway to Burra Isle in Shetland, it was sawn in half. The two halves were converted into sheds and used for storage. In the end the weather took its toll on the shed and pieces of it were salvaged, to be recycled!





John Dunbar

Jounier, Lebanon
£250

Oman Fort
£200



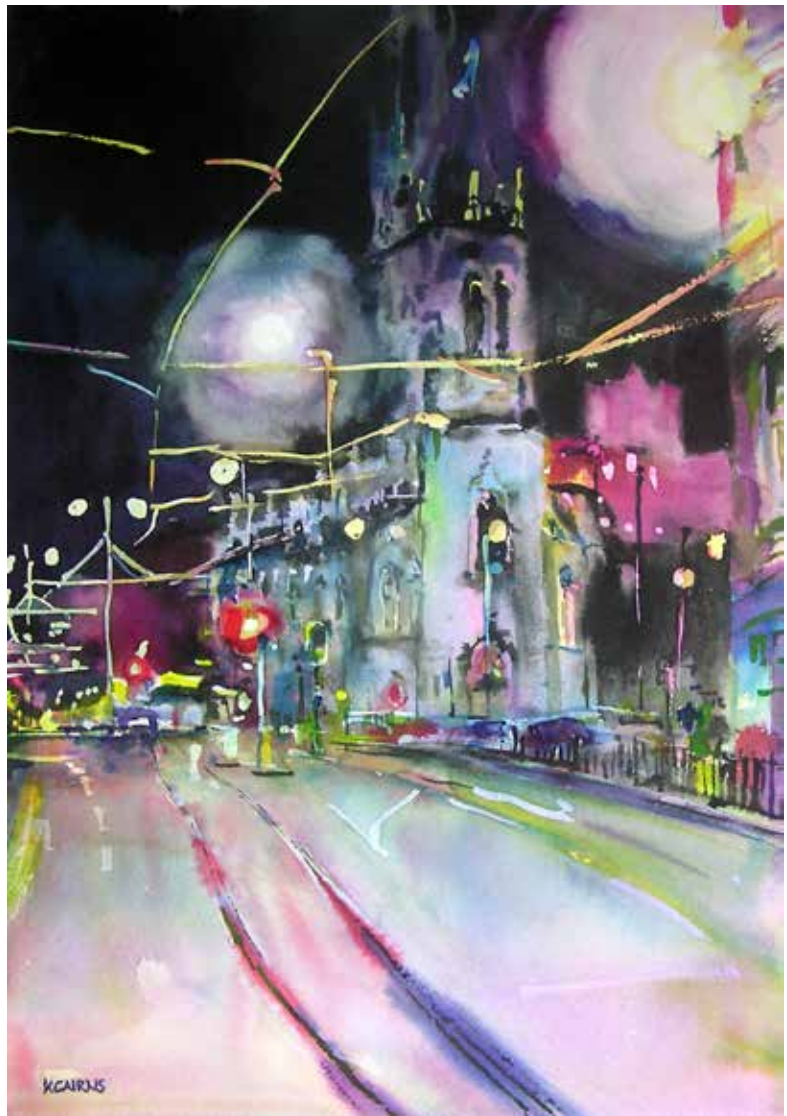


Ian Stuart Campbell

Bernini's Insult
£550

Karen Cairns

Tramlines at St Johns,
Shandwick Place
£750





John Redbond

Salamander
£50

Tiger
NFS





Grant Bulloch

Harbour Patina III
£170



Bamburgh Castle from Ross Sands
£200



Gianfranco Gentile

Frog with a Mask - rana con maschera
£385

Gianfranco Gentile and Ligne et Couleur

We want to extend a warm welcome to Gianfranco Gentile to our exhibition. Gianfranco is an artist well known to many SSAA members with our strong connection to the Ligne et Couleur association.

So what is the history behind our links with Europe? In the distant past, many architects were also artists and likewise many of the best buildings of the Renaissance were designed by artists, stone masons and sculptors, who became de facto architects through experience and practice. Close observation and appreciation of nature and the environment appears to have united architectural creatives in the 19th century who formed “Lovers of Nature” in 1881 in Paris. From these roots European architect artists maintained their enthusiasm and activity in the wider visual arts through an international association, “Ligne et Couleur” formed in Paris in 1935. Subsequently sister societies were established in Italy, Poland, Germany, Romania, and more recently, Scotland.

The Scottish Society of Architect Artists (SSAA) was founded by Edinburgh architect artist the late Hamish Haswell-Smith who convened a small group of like-minded Scottish architect artists in 1987. Hamish then travelled to Paris, met with the organisers of the well established European Society of Architect Artists, “Ligne et Couleur” to whom he presented his case for a Scottish Society. Thus SSAA became affiliated to “Ligne et Couleur, Paris”, and members have since participated in reciprocal exchanges of works for annual exhibitions in cities throughout Europe.



Gianfranco Gentile

Born in Verona, Gianfranco Gentile received his cultural education in Florence in the 1970s, where he graduated in Architecture. A musician and performer in the experimental and avant-garde scene of the time, he participated in contemporary music events both in Italy and abroad, in performances of the Fluxus art movement, and in the creation of soundtracks for experimental theatre.

In the late 1990s, he entered the mainstream art world with paintings in which he primarily uses pastels and mixed media.

His works on recycled packaging cardboard, themed around industrial archaeology, his large cardboard installations inspired by environmental issues, and his works related to the phenomenon of migration are highly topical.

He has held numerous solo and group exhibitions in Italy, in major European cities, in China, and in Brazil. He is currently exhibiting at the 61st Venice Art Biennale.



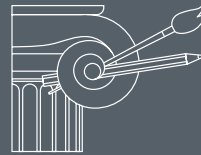
Membership of the Society is open to all registered architects, past and present students of architecture and those who have worked in architecture, planning and landscape in Scotland. Annual membership is currently only £20, with a reduced rate of £10 for students.

If you are interested in joining SSAA
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