



ROB RYAN

Lives and works in London, UK

Education

- 1984 - 1987 MA in Printmaking, Royal College of Art, London, UK
- 1986 Six month placement, École Nationale Supérieure des Artes Décoratifs, Paris, France
- 1981 - 1984 BA (Hons) Fine Art, Nottingham Trent University (previously Trent Polytechnic), Nottingham, UK

Selected Exhibitions

- 2025 **The Art of Making**, London Craft Week, The Artworkers Guild, London, UK
- 2025 **The World to Be**, The Big Egg Hunt, London Heritage Quarter, London, UK
- 2024 **Rob Ryan: In The Merry Month of May**, Field System, Visual Arts South West, Devon, UK
- 2024 **Cut and Paste: An Exhibition of Contemporary Paper Cut & Collage**, Atelier Beside The Sea, Brighton, UK
- 2022 **Bloomsbury Jamboree**, The Art Workers Guild, London, UK
- 2022 **Matisse & Contemporary Paper Artists**, Rheged Centre, Penrith, UK
- 2020 **Christmas Window Display**, Fortnum & Mason, London, UK
- 2019 **CHOOSE LOVE**, Somerset House, London, UK
- 2019 **Sculpture 001**, The Old Bank Vault, London, UK
- 2018 Rob Ryan at the William Morris Gallery, London, UK
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- 2018 **But If I Tell You It Won't Come True**, Presented by TAG Fine Arts, The Art Workers' Guild, London, UK
- 2018 **Light & Noise**, Pop Brixton, London, UK
- 2015 **Listen To The World**, Yorkshire Sculpture Park, West Bretton, Yorkshire, UK
- 2014 **Colette**, 213 Rue Saint Honore, Paris, France

- 2013 **On Paper: Grand Central at 100**, Grand Central Station, New York, USA
- 2013 **There is Only Time**, TAG Fine Arts, Sims Reed Gallery, London, UK
- 2012 **The First Cut**, Manchester City Galleries, Manchester, UK
- 2012 **Rob Ryan: Our Adventure is About to Begin**, TAG Fine Arts, SOHOTEL Artspace Gallery, New York, USA
- 2012 **Rob Ryan**, Solo exhibition, Charleston House, East Sussex, UK
- 2012 **The House of Fairy Tales Cartographic Portfolio**, Hall Place Bexley, and Sutton House, London, UK
- 2011 **The Art of Mapping**, TAG Fine Arts, London, UK
- 2010 **The Stars Shine All Day Too**, TAG Fine Arts, Air Gallery, London, UK
- 2010 **Your job is to take this world apart and put it back together again... but even better!!!** Shire Hall Gallery, Stafford, UK
- 2010 **My London**, with Stephen Walter, TAG Fine Arts, Exposure Gallery, London, UK
- 2009 **Slash, Paper Under The Knife**, Museum of Arts and Design, New York, USA
- 2009 **Allotment**, TAG Fine Arts & UCLH Arts, The Street Gallery, UCH, London, UK
- 2009 **Rob Ryan Vinyl Exhibition**, Yorkshire Sculpture Park, West Bretton, UK
- 2009 **Works on Paper**, TAG Fine Arts & The Hospital Club, London, UK
- 2009 **Ryan Town USA**, Earnest Sewn Co. New York, USA
- 2008 **Book Launch** – 'This is for You' published by Sceptre, available from TAG Fine Arts
- 2007 **Papercuts Project Space**, London Art Fair, TAG Fine Arts, London, UK
- 2006 **The Stars Shine All Day Too**, 17 Gallery, London, UK
- 2006 **Screenprint Show**, Paul Smith, London and Tokyo
- 2005 **Christmas Window Display**, Liberty London, UK
- 2005 **See the Job Do the Job**, Headspace, Brighton, UK
- 2005 **Solo Show**, Gallery Frank, London, UK
- 2005 **Solo Show**, Vertigo Gallery, London, UK
- 2004 **The Museum of Us**, Horse Hospital, London, UK
- 2001 **Screenprints**, Studio Gallery, London, UK
- 2000 **Why is Modern Architecture Grey, Mummy?** The Tabernacle, London, UK

- 1999 **Plates**, Broomhill Sculpture Garden and Gallery, Devon, UK
- 1997 **Big Paintings**, Worse than Hell Itself, London, UK
- 1997 **Turbulence**, Princelet St Synagogue, London, UK
- 1996 **Kneetrember**, Conway Hall, London, UK
- 1995 **Nobody Remembers, I Remember**, Alternative Arts, London, UK
- 1995 **Mad in England**, Oirschott Kunst, Eindhoven, Netherlands
- 1994 **There will be free art won't there Sarge?** Alternative Arts, London, UK
- 1993 **Come on and Live**, Conway Hall, London, UK
- 1993 **There are some things that are right and there are some things that are wrong**, Oirschott Kunst, Eindhoven, Netherlands
- 1992 **Artists against CLAUSE 28**, The Diorama, London, UK
- 1990 **Beautifully Now**, Wilson Hale Gallery, London, UK
- 1990 **Aras na a gael**, London Irish Artists, Queen's Park Irish Centre, London, UK
- 1989 **Mad is Sane**, Wilson Hale Gallery, London, UK
- 1989 **Domestic Bliss**, Wilson Hale Gallery, London, UK
- 1988 **Aspects of Ryan**, Wilson Hale Gallery, London, UK
- 1988 **Religious Love**, Wilson Hale Gallery, London, UK

Selected Art Fairs

- 2025 **London Original Print Fair**, TAG Fine Arts, London, UK
- 2024 **London Original Print Fair**, TAG Fine Arts, London, UK
- 2024 **AAF Battersea**, TAG Fine Arts, London, UK
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- 2022 **AAF Battersea**, TAG Fine Arts, London, UK
- 2019 **London Original Print Fair**, TAG Fine Arts, London, UK
- 2019 **AAF NYC**, TAG Fine Arts, New York, USA
- 2018 **INK Miami Art Fair**, TAG Fine Arts, Miami, Florida, USA
- 2018 **AAF Battersea**, TAG Fine Arts, London, UK
- 2018 **AAF Hampstead**, TAG Fine Arts, London, UK

- 2018 **London Original Print Fair**, TAG Fine Arts, London, UK
 2018 **London Art Fair**, TAG Fine Arts, London, UK
- 2017 **INK Miami Art Fair**, TAG Fine Arts, Miami, USA
 2017 **AFF Singapore**, TAG Fine Arts, Singapore
 2017 **AAF Battersea Autumn**, TAG Fine Arts, London, UK
 2017 **AAF Hong Kong**, TAG Fine Arts, Hong Kong
 2017 **AAF Hampstead**, TAG Fine Arts, London, UK
 2017 **The London Original Print Fair**, London, UK
 2017 **AAF New York Spring**, TAG Fine Arts, New York, USA
 2017 **London Art Fair**, TAG Fine Arts, London, UK
- 2016 **AAF Battersea**, TAG Fine Arts, London, UK
 2016 **AAF Hampstead**, TAG Fine Arts, London, UK
 2016 **The London Original Print Fair**, TAG Fine Arts, London, UK
 2016 **AAF Hong Kong**, TAG Fine Arts, Hong Kong
 2016 **London Original Print Fair**, TAG Fine Arts, London, UK
 2016 **Metropolitan Pavilion**, TAG Fine Arts, New York, USA
 2016 **London Art Fair**, TAG Fine Arts, Islington, London, UK
- 2015 **AAF Battersea**, TAG Fine Arts, London, UK
- 2014 **AAF Battersea**, TAG Fine Arts, London, UK
 2014 **London Art Fair**, TAG Fine Arts, London, UK
- 2012 **London Original Print Fair**, TAG Fine Arts, London, UK
 2012 **London Art Fair**, TAG Fine Arts, Islington, London, UK
- 2011 **Summer Exhibition**, Royal Academy, London, UK
 2011 **Multiplied Contemporary Editions Fair**, TAG Fine Arts, Christie's, London, UK
 2011 **London Original Print Fair**, TAG Fine Arts, London, UK
 2011 **London Art Fair**, TAG Fine Arts, London, UK
- 2010 **Multiplied Contemporary Editions Fair**, TAG Fine Arts, Christie's, London, UK
 2010 **AAF NYC**, TAG Fine Arts, New York, USA
 2010 **London Original Print Fair**, TAG Fine Arts, London, UK
 2010 **London Art Fair**, TAG Fine Arts, London, UK
- 2009 **London Original Print Fair**, TAG Fine Arts, London, UK
 2009 **20/21 International Art Fair**, TAG Fine Arts, London, UK
 2009 **London Art Fair**, TAG Fine Arts, London, UK
- 2008 **Art London**, TAG Fine Arts, London, UK
 2008 **Print Basel**, TAG Fine Arts, Switzerland
 2008 **Glasgow Art Fair**, TAG Fine Arts, Glasgow, Scotland, UK
 2008 **London Original Print Fair**, TAG Fine Arts, London, UK

2007 **Art London**, TAG Fine Arts, London, UK

Residencies

2025 The Mill France Residency, Saint-Georges-de-Luzençon, France

2019 Splice Post Production, London, UK

Talks

2023 **Gather**, Birmingham Design Festival, Birmingham, UK

2020 **An Audience with Rob Ryan**, The Glebe House, London, UK

Selected Collaborations

F-Troupe | JUUN.J | Pure Radio | Mini Moderns | Lulu Guinness | Elle | Madame Figaro | The Independent Magazine | Selvedge | Time Magazine | Waitrose Food Illustrated | Velvet | Vogue | Tatty Devine | Ernest Sewn | Paul Smith | Quick Silver | Fortnum & Mason | Liberty London – V&A | Bloomsbury Children's books | Penguin Books | Stylist Magazine

About the Artist

Rob Ryan is a highly acclaimed illustrator specialising in paper cuts and limited edition screen prints. His intricate and beguiling paper cuts have acquired a huge public following, and have appeared in collaborations with high profile figures in the fashion world including Lulu Guinness, Tatty Devine, Elle Magazine and Vogue. His designs illustrate his own books 'This Is For You' and 'The Invisible Kingdom,' two romantic fairy-tales told through paper cut art, as well as 'The Gift,' a poignant children's tale by Poet Laureate Carol Ann Duffy.

Ryan tells heartfelt stories through his art; some amusing, some poignant, some melancholic, and some, acts of rebellion. Each piece is painstakingly crafted. Ryan cuts each papercut from the finest paper, with the smallest of scalpels, and his prints display a masterful level of clarity and detail.

Ryan was included in the major show 'Slash – Paper Under the Knife' at the Museum of Arts and Design in New York in 2010, and Manchester City Gallery's 2013 exhibition 'The First Cut.' In 2013 he was the subject of a highly acclaimed solo exhibition, 'There Is Only Time,' which was organised by TAG Fine Arts in collaboration with Sims Reed Gallery.