



Tate Gallery – Statement of Public Task

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Tate's public task is therefore to:

Maintain a collection of British works of art and of documents relating to those works, and a collection of Twentieth Century and contemporary works of art and of documents relating to those works, and to:

- (a) care for, preserve and add to the works of art and the documents in Tate's collections;
- (b) secure that the works of art are exhibited to the public;
- (c) secure that the works of art and the documents are available to persons seeking to inspect them in connection with study or research; and
- (d) generally promote the public's enjoyment and understanding of British art, and of Twentieth Century and contemporary art, both by means of Tate's collections and by such other means as Tate considers appropriate.

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This Statement of Public Task will be reviewed whenever Tate deems necessary in accordance with changing custom and practice. It will be reviewed initially in July 2016 and thereafter at least every three years.

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