Tate Report 2008-2009

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Introduction

Art challenges us to think again and is a force for reflection, growth and change. In today’s diverse, fast and mobile world, museums provide us with opportunities and spaces where we can come together, consider our identities, discover our passions and share them with others.

The vision for Tate in 2015, which we set out in 2007, continues to guide our development: we are committed to extending public engagement with the visual arts and aim to become more collaborative, inclusive, open, global and entrepreneurial in the way we work. We also seek to stimulate discussion with – and among – our audiences. The character and calibre of Tate’s Collection, programmes, buildings and staff are crucial to achieving this ambition.

An evolving Collection

Thanks to the vision and extraordinary generosity of many artists, collectors and donors, this year we were able to enhance significantly the breadth and quality of the Collection.

The unprecedented gift to Tate and National Galleries of Scotland by the gallerist Anthony d’Offay of over 700 works, the Artist Rooms collection, was announced early in 2008 and accessioned during the year. Artist Rooms augments the national collection’s representation of post-war and contemporary art in many different ways. In the spring of 2009, it began to be shown across the country in eighteen galleries stretching from St Ives to Stromness.

Artists are among our most generous benefactors. Following David Hockney’s gift in 2008, his painting Bigger Trees Near Warter 2007 was accessioned this year. Other important gifts were received from Michael Craig-Martin, Tacita Dean, Léon Ferrari and Robert Frank, among others. We were also successful in expanding the geographical range, artists and practices represented in the Collection. Acquisitions of work by
artists such as Rirkrit Tiravanija, Tris Vonna-Michell and Vong Phaophanit are helping to broaden the Collection and lay foundations for the future.

In October, following an extensive public fundraising campaign, Tate acquired Peter Paul Rubens’s The Apotheosis of James I and other studies: Multiple Sketch for the Banqueting House Ceiling, Whitehall c1628–30. Sir Geoffroy Millais also generously gave John Everett Millais’s Dew-Drenched Furze 1889–90 in memory of his father on the occasion of the 190th anniversary of Sir Henry Tate’s birth.

Improving understanding of the Collection remains a focus. This year we founded the first three Tate Research Centres devoted to the study of British Romanticism, Rethinking Modernism and The Artist Colony. Each will provide a platform for collaboration and scholarship. They will also inform the development of the Collection and programme by adding to the depth and range of information available to our audiences.

Programme and engaging with audiences

Tate’s programme promotes discussion about art and ideas. We want to engage with audiences in our galleries, but also beyond: we do this through community and educational programmes and, increasingly, the innovative use of partnerships and new media.

Our Collection displays were strengthened this year by extraordinary loans such as works by Edward Burne-Jones and Frederic Leighton from the Museo de Arte de Ponce in Puerto Rico, and the 25-year loan of Gerhard Richter’s cycle of six Cage 2006 paintings. Liverpool’s most significant Collection display set the stage for the city’s extraordinary year as the European Capital of Culture. Tate's Collection provided a context for the diverse exhibition programme at Tate St Ives, as in the presentation of works chosen by Heimo Zobernig as part of a special installation which he devised in Heimo Zobernig and the Tate Collection.
A successful programme of exhibitions across the four galleries drew interest from a wide range of audiences. Rothko was among the most popular Tate exhibitions ever, as was Francis Bacon. With 200,000 visitors, Tate Liverpool’s Gustav Klimt exhibition proved that audiences can be attracted by significant exhibitions outside London.

New initiatives in support of exhibitions, for example an edition of the online film series TateShots featuring Damien Hirst discussing the work of Francis Bacon, extended the reach and longevity of the programme. We have also been developing interactive multimedia websites and television programmes, which will have a life long after the exhibitions close in the gallery.

Building trust with our visitors allows us to bring emerging and less well-known art and artists to new audiences. This year the Cildo Meireles and Adam Chodzko exhibitions enjoyed a very warm response from our visitors. Emerging artists were also presented in Turner Prize 2008, Altermodern: Tate Triennial 2009 and Liverpool Biennial: MADE UP. Each of these exhibitions surprised audiences and sparked lively debate about art and ideas today.

**Future development**

Public engagement with the visual arts continues to grow and makes welcome demands on our programme, learning, interpretation and visitor services. Our capital development plans aim to address this.

Raising funds in an uncertain economic environment is a challenge. But we believe that we must continue to change and develop to meet audience expectations. We have taken forward our plans to reduce overcrowding and improve visitor spaces and services. We also want to transform the way we can programme, commission and display art, and interact with audiences.
The revised plan for the development of Tate Modern, by Herzog & de Meuron, won planning permission from Southwark Council in March. The former power station’s unique oil tanks will be retained as raw spaces for art and form the foundation for the new building. Contributing to the next stage of regeneration for the area, the project will open a new north–south route into Southwark. Detailed design on the plans to improve visitor services and galleries at Tate Britain also continued this year under the guidance of Caruso St John Architects. In St Ives we continue to work closely with Cornwall County Council to progress plans for the future development of the gallery and its surrounding area.

Staff and supporters

This year we were delighted that a number of our own staff were promoted to senior positions within Tate. Kate Sloss, Tate’s Head of Library and Archive, was appointed as Director of Collection Care, and Adrian Hardwicke, formerly Head of Visitor Services and Operations at Tate Modern, was promoted to Director of Visitor Services and Estates. We were also pleased to welcome Rob Gethen Smith as Director of Information Systems. Brian Gray, Tate’s Director of Operations, left to become Head of Venues at the Olympics, and curators Robin Hamlyn and Richard Humphreys both retired after long careers working at Tate. We are extremely grateful for their work over the years: Robin for his work on William Blake and Richard for his stimulating public programmes and contribution to research and scholarship in British art.

In October, we were sorry to lose Paul Myners as our Chairman following his appointment as a Minister in the government. Over the past seven years, Paul has led the Council at St Ives and the Board of Trustees. His dynamic commitment has driven Tate forward, and we would like to thank him for his passion and dedication. Sir Howard Davies served as Interim Chairman and in
January the Trustees appointed the Lord Browne of Madingley as Tate’s new Chairman. We would like to express our appreciation to Fiona Rae and Melanie Clore, who also retired from the Board this year and made particular contributions to developing Tate’s Collection and relationships with the artistic community. We were also pleased to welcome three new Trustees to the Board: Professor David Ekserdjian, as the National Gallery Liaison Trustee in April, Elisabeth Murdoch in August, and Tom Bloxham in February.

It was with great sadness that we learned of the death of the critic and writer John Russell in August. For many years a warm friend of Tate, and curator of the Balthus exhibition in 1968, he had the rare distinction of serving successively as art critic for The Times in London and The New York Times. In his eloquent prose, he was a champion of British art and will be much missed.

The Lord Browne of Madingley, Chairman, Tate Trustees
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Art and Ideas - Collection

Acquisitions

The Collection sits at the heart of Tate: we show it, we share it and we base our research and learning programmes around it. The Collection provides the material with which we tell the multiple stories of art and the world we live in to our audiences. It is therefore crucial that we continue to add to the Collection, so we can retell old stories from a fresh perspective and share with the public new ideas arising from the best contemporary art.

Occasionally the acquisition of a single work, or group of works, can be transformative. Gifts like the Turner Bequest, the Rothko gift, the Janet Wolfson de Botton gift and the Simon Sainsbury Bequest are exceptional. And so is this year's Artist Rooms gift by Anthony d'Offay.

Visiting public galleries as a young man changed the course of Anthony d'Offay’s life. It eventually inspired him to promote the work of some of the most exciting post-war artists through his London gallery. With great generosity, he has now given to the nation one of the most significant private collections of post-war and contemporary art ever to come into public ownership. The acquisition was made possible with the generous assistance of the National Heritage Memorial Fund, The Art Fund and the Scottish and UK Governments. The collection is called Artist Rooms because it is conceived as a series of rooms dedicated to individual artists. Artist Rooms comprises over 700 works by 32 artists including Diane Arbus, Joseph Beuys, Gilbert & George, Damien Hirst, Anselm Kiefer, Jeff Koons, Agnes Martin, Ed Ruscha and Andy Warhol. Owned jointly by Tate and National Galleries of Scotland, the collection has become a new national resource. It will be shared with audiences across the UK, and during the year preparations were made for Artist Rooms to tour to eighteen venues in 2009–10, from St Ives to Stromness.
Artists also give generously to Tate, working with us to realise commissions, conceive exhibitions and help build the Collection. This year we received donations from artists including important works by Michael Craig-Martin, Tacita Dean, Léon Ferrari and Robert Frank. David Hockney also donated a magnificent large-scale painting, Bigger Trees Near Warter 2007. Adding to this, two major early paintings by David Hockney, Study for Doll Boy 1960 and The Berliner and the Bavarian 1962, were acquired in lieu of tax.

A landmark acquisition for the historic collection was Peter Paul Rubens’s The Apotheosis of James I and other studies: Multiple Sketch for the Banqueting House Ceiling, Whitehall c1628–30. The magnificent preparatory painting marks a unique moment in the evolution of British art and is the first work by Rubens to enter the Collection. The campaign was ultimately successful through generous contributions from the British public, the National Heritage Memorial Fund, Tate Members, The Art Fund and many others. Another notable historic gift was Dew-Drenched Furze 1889–90 by John Everett Millais, donated by Sir Geoffroy Millais.

It is important that the Collection should represent and reflect the world with a more global, less Western view. Susumu Koshimizu’s installation From Surface to Surface 1971 was acquired with funds from our Asia-Pacific Acquisitions Committee. Léon Ferrari’s work Tower of Babel 1963 and an important gift of work by Gego added new depth to Tate’s holding of historic work from Latin America. Supported by the Tate International Council, a photographic series by the Lebanese artist Akram Zaatari, in which he re-presents an extraordinary archive of portraits from Studio Shehrazade, Saida, Lebanon, enhanced our representation of Middle-Eastern art. We also introduced important works by women artists including Joan Jonas, Yayoi Kusama, Ana Mendieta, Joan Mitchell and Charlotte Posenenske.
New and emerging art forms also featured strongly. Among this year’s acquisitions are a performance piece by Nedko Solakov, which can be re-enacted in the gallery by actors, and a sound recording of a performance by Tris Vonna-Michell, which was purchased with funds from the 2008 Outset/Frieze Art Fair Fund. Installations by Paveł Althamer, Martin Creed, Mike Nelson, Vong Phaophanit, Rirkrit Tiravanija, Kara Walker and Mark Wallinger; an important group of works made by Black Audio Film Collective; and Paul McCarthy’s Projection Room 1971–2006 2006 rounded out our efforts to bring greater geographic and artistic diversity to the Collection.

Among the significant acquisitions for Tate’s Archive this year was the generous donation of a collection relating to the British painter Keith Vaughan, which includes his journals, notebooks and photographs. Also complementing collections of other twentieth-century art critics were the papers of David Sylvester, which include valuable source material on many artists he knew personally such as Francis Bacon, Henry Moore and Alberto Giacometti.

**Caring for the Collection**

Conserving Tate’s developing Collection and supporting the organisation’s wide-ranging programme are demanding tasks. With each acquisition comes a responsibility to provide an appropriate environment in which to care for, display and store the work. So while everyone at Tate was excited by Anthony d’Offay’s generous gift, our Collection Care department knew that they had been set a significant professional challenge.

Renowned the world over for their expertise and progressive practice, the Collection Care team have never been faced with such a complex range of artworks in a single acquisition. ARTIST ROOMS included a formaldehyde sculpture by Damien Hirst, a
dinghy in full sail by Ian Hamilton Finlay, a seven-metre-long work on paper by Jeff Koons, and a life-size resin palm tree by Anselm Kiefer. But these are just a few examples of the range of works that entered the Collection over the period. Each individual artwork requires specialist analysis of the materials used and the artist’s intentions regarding the display and care of their works. The success of Tate’s Collection Care team depends on building up a deep body of knowledge about the artists’ techniques, practice and their individual works.

Although rare, sometimes it is not possible to prepare an artwork for public display owing to specific considerations for the piece. In 1973, Tate acquired an important film-based installation by the American artist Dan Graham titled Two Correlated Rotations 1970–2. Besides the artist’s copy, these films are the only ones in existence and until now it has been impossible to show them in a gallery because the films would not allow for continuous looping. Following an ambitious restoration project working with the artist, our specialists created a new master of the film that can now be shown repeatedly. Striking a balance between our duties to preserve and display, the film was shown for the first time at Tate Modern in 2008.

Conservation research continues to inform much of our work and in 2008 we were able to share such research with our audiences during the Rothko exhibition at Tate Modern. In collaboration with the mobile laboratory, MOLAB, Tate conservators investigated the chemistry of tiny samples of paint and studied the structure of Mark Rothko’s painted layers. They discovered that Rothko modified oil paints using substances such as dammar resin, egg and glue to achieve different flows, drying times and colours. He also rotated paintings while working on them and over-painted certain sections as part of his decision-making process about composition. This fascinating research became part of the exhibition. Using an engaging lightbox display, visitors were able
to see details about the works that might otherwise have gone unnoticed.

The demands of our historic British collection are equally pressing. This year we concluded a two-year conservation assignment, the John Schaeffer Nevill Keating Conservation Project, which is part of a broader programme to improve the condition and appearance of the Collection’s eighteenth-century paintings. Six paintings by Joshua Reynolds and Johan Zoffany had their discoloured varnishes removed in order to restore them to their original appearance.

Size can be an issue too. The Sleep of Arthur in Avalon 1881–98, by Edward Burne-Jones, measures an impressive 2.8 by 6.5 metres. The painting was so large it had to be rolled for transportation from the Museo de Arte de Ponce in Puerto Rico and re-stretched in the room at Tate Britain where it was hung. It was a monumental effort requiring the combined expertise of our registrars, art handlers and conservators: but just one of many examples of the work of our resourceful Collection Care division.

Research and scholarship

Scholarly research underpins all our exhibitions and displays. We have therefore taken important steps towards developing a new model for research and scholarship at Tate, anchored by a series of Tate Research Centres.

This year we established the first three Centres in important areas relevant to our work and Collection: British Romanticism, Rethinking Modernism and The Artist Colony. Each is led by a ‘convenor’ from Tate’s staff who brings together colleagues sharing scholarly interests, within Tate and externally, to champion and develop research projects around each area of enquiry.
We have been assisted in our research projects through our status as an Independent Research Organisation (IRO), opening up new sources of funding. Over the past year we received grants in excess of £1 million in support of our research aspirations, including grants from the Arts and Humanities Research Council (AHRC) which is funding a collaborative research project between Tate and the University of York on the period between Anthony van Dyck and William Hogarth (1660–1730). The AHRC is also providing funds for a Research Network on Intermedia Art, a growing area of artistic practice. And a grant from the Leverhulme Trust is supporting research on the history of art-school education in London from 1960 to the present, a project that will contribute to our understanding of many of the contemporary artists with whom we work.

Scholarship also informs the creation of fresh perspectives on the Collection. This year a new series of Development Research Seminars was launched, attracting curators and art historians from around the world to develop knowledge of non-Western art and to build on our strengths in British and Western art. Topics included contemporary art in the Middle East, and Modernism and the Black Atlantic, in advance of the exhibition at Tate Liverpool in 2010. Seminars were also held around Paul Gauguin, ahead of the exhibition in 2010 at Tate Modern, the Rubens Banqueting House sketch and Folk Art in the context of the modern museum.

Scholarly research also helps improve our understanding of audiences. Another of our major AHRC-funded projects focuses on questions of national identity and the visual arts. Launched in April 2007, Tate Encounters: Britishness and Visual Culture is a three-year research project involving Tate Britain, London South Bank University and the University of the Arts London. The project explores the relationships that migrant families in Britain have with established cultural institutions. In the spring of 2009, we conducted a series of live research events around the project, inviting members of the public along with artists, academics,
curators and policy makers to discuss ideas around national identity, history and art.

Academic colleagues and researchers from across the world also continue to depend on Tate as a resource. We offer a range of services to those conducting their own research, both online and in our Library and Archive Reading Rooms. This year we also secured a JISC (Joint Information Systems Committee) Model Licence from JISC Collections. This means staff at Tate, as well as the public visiting our galleries and researchers in our reading rooms, now have access to a much wider range of online academic and scholarly research materials free of charge.

**Acquisition highlights**

These acquisitions are highlights from the new works added to the Collection. For a full list of loans and works acquired, please visit [www.tate.org.uk/tatereport](http://www.tate.org.uk/tatereport)

**Peter Paul Rubens**

1577–1640

The Apotheosis of James I and other studies: Multiple Sketch for the Banqueting House Ceiling, Whitehall c1628–30

Oil paint on primed oak panel

950 x 631 mm

Purchased with assistance from the National Heritage Memorial Fund, Tate Members, The Art Fund in memory of Sir Oliver Millar (with a contribution from the Wolfson Foundation), Viscount and Viscountess Hampden and Family, Monument Trust, Manny and Brigitta Davidson and the Family, and other donors, 2008

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Peter Paul Rubens came to King Charles I’s court in 1629–30 as a diplomat from the King of Spain. He agreed to execute the ceiling of the Banqueting House (part of Whitehall Palace) to celebrate Charles’s late father’s achievements. Rubens probably made this first sketch for his own reference. In the centre, he depicts the apotheosis of King James, seen being carried up by Jove’s eagle, assisted by the figure of Justice, with Minerva (Wisdom) overhead. To either side, four ovals contain positive personifications of James’s royal qualities: Liberality triumphs over Avarice, and Discipline over Wantonness; below, upside down, Knowledge (Minerva again) triumphs over Ignorance and Heroic Virtue (Hercules) over Envy. Across the top (again, upside down) and bottom, putti, animals and swags of produce symbolise the benefits of national unity and peace. Today the real canvases still hang in the Banqueting House – the only ceiling by Rubens to survive in situ.

**John Everett Millais**

1829–96  
Dew-Drenched Furze 1889–90  
Oil on canvas  
1732 x 1230 mm  
Presented by Sir Geoffroy Millais in memory of his late father, Sir Ralph Millais, Bt 2009  
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http://www.tate.org.uk/servlet/ViewWork?workid=21702&searchid=16255

Dew-Drenched Furze is widely regarded as one of the great achievements of John Everett Millais’s later career. It shows the sun streaming through a clearing of bedewed gorse in the early morning haze on the Murthly Estate in Scotland. This
uncharacteristically abstract work for the artist takes the Romantic art of John Constable and JMW Turner in a new symbolist direction. The title, a loose citation from Alfred Lord Tennyson’s In Memoriam (1850), emphasises the elegiac tone of the painting. Dew-Drenched Furze has been on loan to Tate since 1996. Tate possesses an important collection of works by Millais, but only one other of the recently acclaimed late landscapes, ‘The Moon is Up, and Yet it is not Night’ 1890, a work that is rarely exhibited due to its poor condition. The addition of Dew-Drenched Furze not only establishes Millais’s place in the tradition of British landscape painting, but also enhances Tate’s representation of the artist’s late work.

Gerald Leslie Brockhurst
1890–1978
Portrait of Margaret, Duchess of Argyll c1931
Oil on canvas
762 x 641 mm
Presented by Tate Patrons 2009
© Richard Woodward
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http://www.tate.org.uk/servlet/ViewWork?workid=100781&searchid=16260

In the 1930s Gerald Leslie Brockhurst’s high-focus, Renaissance-style female portraits were the sensation of the Royal Academy. They represented a fashionable assimilation of the past with the present, a modern expression of traditional artistic and aesthetic values. Combining rich decoration with subtle assessment of character, Brockhurst cannily specialised in painting highly independent celebrity women. Margaret Sweeny, later Duchess of Argyll, was one of the era’s great socialite beauties, immortalised
in Cole Porter’s song You’re the Top in Anything Goes. In the early 1960s she achieved both notoriety and fame during her acrimonious divorce from the Duke, which revealed her liberated and prodigious infidelity.

Mimmo Rotella
1918–2006
With a Smile (Con un sorriso) 1962
Torn paper on canvas
1540 x 1320 mm
Presented by an anonymous donor 2008
© The estate of Mimmo Rotella
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With a Smile is a key early example of Mimmo Rotella’s use of the technique of décollage with which he created works from torn street posters. Areas of text, including the word ‘Roma’ top-centre, can be found embedded in the plethora of torn papers that make up the composition. However, the predominant elements in the work are a partial head top-right, whose bright white smile appears to give the work its title, and a second incomplete image of a swashbuckling figure at the bottom. Film posters were a fruitful source for the artist and an important theme in his output, although the heavily lacerated quality of this work makes it unclear whether the images derive from cinematic posters or advertising hoardings. Incorporating processes of destruction and reconstruction, Rotella’s décollages retain traces of urban violence and chaos, yet the act of drawing together colour, form and imagery produces an all-over composition that can be read as an abstract whole.
Léon Ferrari
b1920
Tower of Babel (Torre de Babel) 1963
Steel, copper wire, bronze, tin and lead
2000 x 800 x 800 mm
Presented by the American Fund for the Tate Gallery 2009
© Léon Ferrari
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http://www.tate.org.uk/servlet/ViewWork?workid=93588&searchid=16270

Léon Ferrari is one of the most significant and influential artists of post-war Latin America; his work has been a reference point for successive generations of artists working not just in his own country, Argentina, but across the continent. He started creating abstract geometric sculptures in metal wire in the early 1960s. Tower of Babel is the last and most important ‘informel’ wire sculpture he created during this period. Ferrari described ‘babelism’ as ‘to make something without unity, with different sensibilities… or to make something between several people. To make a tower of Babel and add things made by others: Heredia, Marta Minujin, Wells, Santantonín, Badií, Althabe, Stimm, all mixed, all babelish, babelism…’ With the inclusion of elements by artists such as Alberto Heredia, Marta Minujin and Rubén Santantonín, this sculpture represents a unique key to Argentinian experimentalism of the 1960s and to the interface between Argentinian Informelism, Pop and Conceptualism.

Bruce Nauman
b1941
Untitled 1965
Fibreglass and polyester resin
1219 x 406 x 1219 mm
Purchased with funds provided by an anonymous donor 2009
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Bruce Nauman is one of the most influential, ground-breaking and enigmatic artists of his generation. Untitled is one of Nauman’s earliest works, and an important addition to Tate’s holdings of his seminal practice. The work was made while Nauman was a student in California and is a classic example of ‘Eccentric Abstraction’. Untitled consists of two irregularly shaped bars that lean side by side from wall to floor with a slight gap between. Nauman created a plaster mould and then cast this twice using fibreglass and polyester resin, changing the pigment from off-white to yellow between one cast and the next. Small amounts of the plaster mould adhere to the outside of the fibreglass, inflecting its peculiar hues. The work anticipates Nauman’s later explorations of casting and reversal such as A Cast of the Space under My Chair 1965–8.

Diane Arbus
1923–71
Identical Twins, Roselle, N.J. 1967 1967
Black-and-white gelatin silver print on paper
375 x 386 mm
ARTIST ROOMS Acquired jointly with the National Galleries of Scotland through The d'Offay Donation with assistance from the National Heritage Memorial Fund and The Art Fund 2008
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http://www.tate.org.uk/servlet/ViewWork?workid=96887&searchid=16278

Diane Arbus is one of the most significant photographers of the twentieth century, an influential figure whose compellingly honest style of photography paved the way for contemporary photographers and artists. This is one of Arbus’s most iconic images and is typical of the style and subject matter of her work. It was taken at a party for twins and triplets in a New Jersey town and is sharply rendered in square format to capture the subtle differences in the girls’ expressions. In 1966 Arbus applied for a Guggenheim grant, with a proposal entitled ‘American Rites, Manners and Customs’. This picture fits with the intentions of her project in revealing the kind of rituals that exist in everyday life, and shows Arbus’s ability to capture the strange within the ordinary. The work is from the portfolio Box of Ten, which Arbus compiled shortly before her death, choosing images from her career that she felt to be the most successful and representative.

Charlotte Posenenske
1930–85
Prototype for Revolving Vane 1967–8
Particle board
2000 x 2000 x 2000 mm
Presented by Tate Patrons 2009
© Estate of Charlotte Posenenske/Burkhard Brunn, Frankfurt
In a brief artistic career spanning less than a decade, Charlotte Posenenske confronted the question of the original artwork and developed an interest in systems and structures derived from mass production and standardisation. She also incorporated interactivity into the construction and placement of her work. Posenenske’s concept of art was democratic, reflected in her use of unlimited, reproducible editions. Prototype for Revolving Vane is the original model re-used by the artist to create a series of box-like constructions. These constructions take the form of a room, articulated and open to various arrangements and configurations. Door-like elements can be revolved on a vertical axis and were originally designed to be manipulated by the viewer. The prototype is an extremely rare example of an original historic object constructed by Posenenske. By contrast the revolving vanes themselves can be reproduced again and again. The prototype is made from found particle board on which the remnants of graffiti can be seen, highlighting the artist’s use of cheap, easily available materials.

Robert Frank
b1924
Contact Sheets from The Americans 1955–6; printed 1970s
Twelve gelatin silver prints on paper
Each 500 x 398 mm
Presented by the artist 2009
© Robert Frank, from The Americans
P79744–P79755
During his long and peripatetic career, Robert Frank has produced work that combines gritty realism with more allusive imagery, blending reportage, autobiography and poetry. In 1958 he published his seminal photo-book The Americans, the result of over two years travelling across the continental United States with his Leica. Frank’s book was greeted with critical derision on publication but has since become one of the most influential photography books of the twentieth century. The deliberately grainy, apparently casual images belie a careful and considered view of the ‘real’ America of the late 1950s that does not shy away from racial and social tensions. Many of the images in the book suggest a sense of isolation and loneliness in a burgeoning consumer culture. The 83 pictures Frank chose for the book were selected from 28,000 photographs he took on his travels. This selection of proof sheets, enlarged from the original negatives, includes published images and others taken along the way, placing his best-known work in the context of his travels.

Susumu Koshimizu
b1944
From Surface to Surface 1971, remade 1986
Wood
3000 x 300 x 60 mm
Presented by the Asia-Pacific Acquisitions Committee 2008
© Susumu Koshimizu
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Susumu Koshimizu was one of the key figures of the Mono-ha movement, an affiliation of artists based in Tokyo in the late 1960s and early 1970s. Mono-ha work is defined by its materiality, often combining organic and industrial objects and processes. Koshimizu’s practice is characterised by an expression of the properties of materials, often through juxtaposition. From Surface to Surface is a sequence of fourteen planks of wood, each carved in a unique geometric pattern. In this work Koshimizu investigates the substance of wood, exposing its surface qualities through different kinds of repetitive cuts. The geometric lines produced by an industrial saw contrast with slight irregularities resulting from missing chips, slips of the saw, and the rough surface of certain edges. The planks are displayed leaning against a wall, lending an informal quality to the work. The installation combines seriality and repetition with distinctive differentiation between the individual components.

**Ana Mendieta**

1948–85

Untitled (Blood and Feathers #2) 1974

8 mm colour film transferred to video, silent, duration 3 min 30 sec

Overall display dimensions variable

Presented by the Estate of Ana Mendieta Collection and an anonymous donor 2009

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Ana Mendieta examines issues of personal identity and femininity through her work, which is rooted both in nature and in the body. She worked on a human scale and emphasised the solitary body in relation to the landscape. Borrowing freely from a variety of cultural traditions throughout the world, Mendieta frequently appropriated symbols and aspects of the ritual practices of ancient and indigenous cultures of the Americas, Africa and Europe. This film shows an action she performed at Old Man’s Creek in Iowa in 1974, in which Mendieta, standing in front of the creek, poured blood over her body and then rolled in down and feathers. She ends the performance with her arms outstretched suggesting a being that is part-human, part-bird. Assuming the form of a bird has great significance, being at once the symbol of the soaring spirit and also that of sacrifice, while the water is a symbol of rebirth.

Andy Warhol
1928–87
Skulls 1976
Acrylic and silkscreen ink on canvas
Six parts, each 383 x 483 mm
ARTIST ROOMS Acquired jointly with the National Galleries of Scotland through The d’Offay Donation with assistance from the National Heritage Memorial Fund and The Art Fund 2008
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http://www.tate.org.uk/servlet/ViewWork?workid=97348&searchid=16292

After he was shot and critically injured in 1968, Andy Warhol became even more obsessed with death than he had been
previously. The subject of death permeates most of his work, which frequently focuses on the transience and violence of human existence. In this multi-part painting, Warhol has created a still-life of a skull. This traditional symbol for death in the history of art, known as a ‘memento mori’, was used to remind viewers of their own mortality. Repeated here six times, the impenetrable darkness of the hollow eye sockets is echoed in each image. The shadow cast by the skull resembles a baby’s profile, although whether this was intentional is unknown since Warhol did not take the photograph that the painting is based on. It seems unlikely, however, that this effective combination would escape Warhol’s sharp gaze. Despite its sinister evocations, the skull is treated with Warhol’s characteristic array of vibrant colours, applied in thick impasto.

Gego (Gertrud Goldschmidt)
1912–94
Untitled (Sin título) c1977
Welded bronze
580 x 640 mm
Presented by Luis Benshimol 2009
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Gego is one of the most significant figures in the history of Latin-American abstract geometric art. This work is from a series of rigid, sphere-shaped sculptures made of welded bronze wire produced in 1976 and 1977. Thick wires or rods were welded together to create a geometric pattern of triangles and pentagons. Works of this type were originally displayed directly on the gallery
floor in a grouping the artist called ‘breñales’, a Spanish term loosely translated as ‘scrubland’. The geometric forms can be seen in some cases as somewhat literal translations of didactic, mathematical models, but Gego’s intention was to subtly disrupt such models and, especially through the complex accumulation of forms in display, to establish a dialogue between the orderly and the chaotic. Although her work can be seen in relation to abstract-geometric constructivist and kinetic work, Gego deliberately aimed to move beyond this frame of reference and establish a highly personal style based on her investigation of line, motion, space and the role of the spectator.

**Joseph Beuys**

1921–86

Scala Napoletana 1985

Wood, steel wire and lead

Overall display dimensions variable

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Much of the work Joseph Beuys made in the last years of his life includes objects or themes which suggest death and communication with a spiritual life beyond. This magisterial sculpture was one of the final pieces that Beuys made and evokes the taut line between life and death, and the relationship between earth and heaven. The pair of lead spheres holds the ladder in suspension. In this way, the ladder is held erect –
suggesting ascension to the heavens – but simultaneously prevented from soaring into the air, maintaining a connection with the weight and tangibility of the earth. The work was inspired by a ladder the artist found while recovering from an illness on the island of Capri in Italy in the autumn of 1985, which he hung with two stones. When he visited Amalfi at Christmas in the same year, he purchased another ladder from a landlord which he used to make this sculpture.

Black Audio Film Collective

Handsworth Songs 1986

Video (originally shown as 16 mm film) with sound, duration 59 min

Overall display dimensions variable

Presented by Tate Members 2008

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Black Audio Film Collective was founded in 1982. Central to reclaiming black representation in both cultural and political terms, the group used the ‘figuration of ethnicity’ as a recurrent motif, and reflected on real and imagined black experiences of early 1980s Britain. As a documentary film work, Handsworth Songs makes reference to the riots in Handsworth, Birmingham during Sept 1985 and the institutional response to them. But from a broader perspective it represents the hopes and dreams of post-war black British populations in the light of civil disturbances of the 1980s. A richly layered bricolage – the film is made up of footage from Birmingham and London as well as still-life tableaux, TV newsreel and archival material ranging from scenes of colonial
labour to images of Afro-Caribbean and Asian migrant experience – Handsworth Songs engages with Britain’s colonial past, its public and private memories, and the struggles of race and class.

Joan Mitchell
1926–92
Chord II 1986
Oil on canvas
1620 x 970 mm
Presented by Jytte Dresing through The Merla Art Foundation 2009
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Joan Mitchell is one of the most important representatives of a second generation of Abstract Expressionist painters. Together with Helen Frankenthaler and Lee Krasner, Mitchell was one of the few women to be admitted to this otherwise male group of artists. Throughout her career she steadfastly exploited the continuing possibilities of an abstract painting based on her formative years, keeping a certain distance from the artistic mainstream of that period. Chord II was painted in the later part of the artist’s career, by which time she was living in Vétheuil, a small town near Paris where Claude Monet had once resided. Though nature formed an important inspiration for Mitchell’s late work, she was keen to assert that her practice was studio-bound and that it was primarily the emotional and visual potential of painting in which she was interested. Like much of the work of her final decade, Chord II displays a bold use of colour and an
energetic and open configuration of abstract gesture that is further accentuated by prominent drips of paint.

Juan Muñoz
1953–2001
The Prompter (Le Souffler) 1988
Iron, papier-mâché, bronze, wood and linoleum
Overall display dimensions variable
Presented by the artist’s estate 2008
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Juan Muñoz emerged as a prominent figurative sculptor in the late 1980s. The Prompter involves a construction like a small stage. Raised several feet off the floor by metal supports, the empty platform is covered with geometric trompe l'oeil-patterned linoleum tiles. Facing the stage like audience members, visitors can see the backs of the legs of a resin dwarf whose upper torso and head are encased in a small grey booth at the front of the stage. A large bronze drum leaning against the wall at the rear of the stage suggests a performance that has just ended, or one set to begin. The Prompter was partly inspired by the historical figure François de Cuvilliés (1695–1768), a Bavarian architect who had served under Maximilian II Emmanuel as court dwarf. Muñoz also applied the French title Le Souffler to the work in homage to a satirical Honoré Daumier lithograph of the same name depicting the first president of the Third French Republic inside a prompter's box following a script.
Mark Wallinger
b1959
Royal Ascot 1993
Video installation consisting of four monitors, travelling cases and speakers
Overall display dimensions variable
Presented by Tate Members 2009
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In the early 1990s Mark Wallinger created a diverse group of works that looked at the world of horse racing and breeding, as a way of addressing issues of class and national identity. Royal Ascot is a synchronised four-screen video installation. Each monitor, mounted on its own travelling case and placed in a row side by side, features an extract from the BBC’s broadcast of the Royal Family’s parade around the racetrack on each of the four days that the Royal Ascot race meeting takes place. The procession (and the commentary of it) is almost identical every day. The simultaneous display of these extracts enhances the invariable nature of a choreographed event – somehow suggesting that strict repetition, and a commitment to understand that whatever happens is what has to be, is the only way to preserve tradition.

Vong Phaophanit
b1961
What Falls to the Ground but Can’t Be Eaten 1991
Bamboo poles and lights
Vong Phaophanit was born in Laos, but now lives in Britain. In 1993 he was nominated for the Turner Prize. Phaophanit is known for using materials such as rice, bamboo and rubber that have a specific cultural resonance with his Laotian origins. What Falls to the Ground but Can’t Be Eaten consists of a dense curtain of bamboo suspended from the ceiling but not touching the floor. The bamboo forms an inner ‘wall’ within the gallery space, and encloses an area that is brightly lit from above. The viewer must push through the hanging bamboo to gain entrance to this inner space. Phaophanit has noted his interest in boundaries between the inner and outer, inside and outside. The title of the work – What Falls to the Ground but Can’t Be Eaten – proposes to the viewer a riddle, to which the answer is light. This too seems to allude to the status of the artwork itself, that it can be seen and encountered but not consumed or appropriated.

Ian Hamilton Finlay
1925–2006
Sailing Dinghy 1996
Room installation comprising clinker-built boat and wall texts
6200 x 4400 x 1400 mm
ARTIST ROOMS Acquired jointly with the National Galleries of Scotland through The d'Offay Donation with assistance from the National Heritage Memorial Fund and The Art Fund 2008
Ian Hamilton Finlay first came to prominence in the 1960s as one of Britain’s foremost concrete poets. He later extended his practice to include a wide range of materials, often combining words and objects. The sea was the subject of Finlay’s earliest printed works and sculptures, and it continued to be a dominant theme throughout his life. He viewed it as an example of nature’s power and problematic beauty. The room installation Sailing Dinghy comprises a clinker-built sailing boat, which the artist himself sailed, installed alongside a short poem painted onto the wall. The dinghy’s bow, sails, rudder and stern are labelled with numbers referenced in the poem. The poem’s simple phrases evoke the power and movement of the vessel, encouraging the viewer to make a mental voyage from gallery to sea. The now static and landlocked vessel provides a contrast to this flight of imagination with its stillness and physical presence.

Martin Creed
b1968
Work No. 203: EVERYTHING IS GOING TO BE ALRIGHT 1999
Neon
500 x 13000 mm
Presented by Tate Patrons 2009
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Martin Creed’s work emerges from an ongoing series of investigations into commonplace phenomena. His works are identified primarily by numbers, so each piece is added to his system with equal status, regardless of size or what it is made of. Creed’s subtle interventions reintroduce us to elements of the everyday. His choice and use of materials, such as plain sheets of paper, Blu-tack, masking tape and party balloons, is a thoughtful celebration of the ordinary, a focused reading of the ambiguity of stuff. Work No. 203: EVERYTHING IS GOING TO BE ALRIGHT, Creed’s first neon work, was originally installed at a derelict listed landmark in Clapton, East London. The neon spells out the hackneyed yet ambiguous cliché ‘everything is going to be alright’, which can be variously interpreted as optimistic, trite, stoical or tinged with sadness or foreboding. The uncertainty of its meaning, and the desire to make sense of it within its immediate environment, combine to activate both the work’s and the viewer’s relationship to the place in which it is installed.

Mike Nelson
b1967
The Coral Reef 2000
Mixed media
Overall display dimensions variable
Presented by Tate Members 2008
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Mike Nelson creates large-scale sculptural installations that are carefully crafted from discarded everyday materials. They fuse literary, filmic, socio-political and cultural references, which are
often related to the geographic or historic specifics of the site in which the work is placed. The Coral Reef is Nelson’s first major labyrinthine work. It consists of a sequence of fifteen interconnecting rooms, a maze of corridors and rooms with multiple doorways. One room is suggestive of a minicab office, another of an opium den, a third has Soviet English-language propaganda lying about and a picture of happy smiling men in sombreros, standing by a cactus. All the interiors appear recently occupied yet run down. The sense of absence is palpable and disturbing. Throughout there is a carefully contrived air of claustrophobia. The maze-like structure reinforces the feeling of cultural disorientation and confusion which, as the artist describes, renders the viewer momentarily ‘lost in a world of lost people, a dingy substrata of any global city in a mocking existential loop which both offers escape and entrapment’.

Kara Walker

b1969

Grub for Sharks: A Concession to the Negro Populace 2004
Cut paper
Overall display dimensions variable
Presented by the American Fund for the Tate Gallery 2009
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http://www.tate.org.uk/servlet/ViewWork?workid=83121&searchid=16325

Kara Walker’s work engages with history and how it is distorted through re-telling. She attacks myths related to race and sexuality, exposing the power struggles underlying personal and political relationships. Grub for Sharks: A Concession to the Negro Populace is a room-sized installation of black silhouette
cut-outs inspired by JMW Turner’s painting Slavers Throwing overboard the Dead and Dying – Typhon Coming On (‘The Slave Ship’) exh 1840. ‘Grub for sharks’ refers to the practice of throwing slaves overboard to their death in order to lighten ships’ loads in anticipation of storms at sea during the middle passage between Africa and North America. Walker expands the scope of the slavery narrative, including figures in a sugar-cane plantation in scenarios that undermine stereotypical readings of race and gender. The work was originally commissioned by Tate Liverpool for Walker’s first solo exhibition in the UK in 2004. Grub for Sharks draws on Turner, the role of the British Empire and Tate’s own history. Walker’s treatment of these subjects however is typically oblique, suggesting broader historical and contemporary resonances.

**Rirkrit Tiravanija**

b1961

*Untitled, 2005 (sleep on earth, eat on sand) (Untitled, 2005 (non-gab-din, kim-gab-sai)) 2005*

Contractor’s shed, four gas cookers, four woks, Thai-style mats and mixed media

3000 x 2000 x 3000 mm

Purchased with assistance from Tate International Council 2009

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Rirkrit Tiravanija is best known for installation performances that directly engage the audience in a social environment. The artist is of Thai origin and in his early works he often used the skills he learned from his grandmother, a cook. This work consists of a
disused contractor’s shed in which Tiravanija set up a cooking station from which he made and served pad thai to visitors. The work is historically significant as it marked the last time the artist was to cook for the public in this way (he first made Thai curry for gallery-goers in 1990). During the work’s first incarnation at an exhibition in Berlin, cooking took place in and around the shed, one wall of which was removed and used as a table top on which the food was served. The structure now resembles a vitrine or diorama. In keeping with Tiravanija’s practice, the remnants of the Berlin performances, including cooking utensils and food remains, now constitute part of the work and are sealed in the shed.

Paul McCarthy
b1945
Installation comprising colour video projection with audio track and colour slide projection
Overall display dimensions variable
Presented by the American Fund for the Tate Gallery 2009
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http://www.tate.org.uk/servlet/ViewWork?workid=92075&searchid=16335
Paul McCarthy gained recognition for intense performance and video-based work on taboo subjects such as the body, sexuality, violence and dysfunction, using bodily fluids, paint and food to create elaborate and grotesque critiques of cultural icons. Projection Room 1971–2006 is an installation consisting of seventeen videos and approximately 160 slides projected in an overlapping configuration on two opposing walls. The artist has selected some of his most important films and slides from the
1970s and early 1980s for the installation. Most of the films were made in the intimate settings of McCarthy’s homes and studios in Pasadena and Los Angeles, making their selection very personal. The participants were mainly close friends of the artist, and included his wife Karen McCarthy. The artist considers the work to be an expanded portrait of himself and his wife. Projection Room 1971–2006 elaborates McCarthy’s long-term interest in how actions and histories are documented and archived. The work’s particular arrangement continues the artist’s ongoing investigation into the power, psychology and politics of architecture and space.

Nigel Cooke
b1973
New Accursed Art Club 2007
Oil on canvas
2202 x 3702 mm
Purchased with the assistance of private donors and the Millwood Legacy 2009
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Nigel Cooke’s paintings oscillate between two extremes – he works on an epic scale, but dwells on the minutiae of decay and dissolution. Meticulously painted and minutely detailed, Cooke’s landscapes are dismal and dysfunctional, littered with all kinds of debris, derelict buildings, burnt-out cars and graffiti. Each canvas offers an unsettling encounter with entropy and excess. New Accursed Art Club adopts the role of painting and the ideal of a transformative culture (both high and low) as its subjects. A sense
of tragicomic melodrama has characterised much of Cooke’s recent work. With this painting he has enlarged on this theme to examine the role of the artist as an absurd and impotent figure, alluding to the supposed death of painting as much as to the broken ideals of Modernism.

Paweł Althamer
b1967
FGF, Warsaw (FGF, Warszawa) 2007
Mixed media
2190 x 3010 x 2000 mm
Purchased using funds provided by the 2007 Outset/Frieze Art Fair Fund to benefit the Tate Collection 2009
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Paweł Althamer has established an international reputation through his diverse multimedia practice which includes traditional sculpture, installation, film, video and performance. FGF, Warsaw is a complex work that highlights his interests in communal practice and collaboration through a network of references, with contributions from other artists and members of the artist’s family. Named after the Foksal Gallery Foundation in Warsaw, which represents the artist, the work takes the form of a structure with four walls and a ceiling that can be fitted together to create a transit crate. When opened, it reveals a mobile gallery that includes artworks, found objects and books that draw together ideas relating to social, cultural and economic exchange as well as the history of Foksal. The layout of the work was strongly influenced by the Polish architect Oskar Hansen, who is the
subject of Artur Zmijewski’s documentary film A Dream of Warsaw 2005. Zmijewski’s video now forms part of Althamer’s installation, as do artworks by other contemporary Polish artists, including Monika Sosnowska, Wilhelm Sasnal and Jakub Julian Ziółkowski.

Albert Oehlen

b1954

Loa 2007

Acrylic, collage and oil on silkscreened canvas

1702 x 3102 mm

Presented by Tate Patrons 2009

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Albert Oehlen has referred to his practice as ‘post-non-representational’. Loa is typical of his use of found imagery, collage and text within the context of painting. In this work and others from the same series, Oehlen appropriates phrases and lyrics from the German techno band Scooter in order to evoke atmosphere rather than to offer a specific message. The title of the work derives from the word ‘LOATH’ that appears twice across the top of the painting. The first iteration of the word is partly obliterated by a collaged page from the German black metal magazine Ablaze. A barcode and a Spanish text referring to chinaware suggest advertising imagery and product design. Oehlen’s juxtaposition of unrelated imagery has resonances with techniques employed by the Surrealists, and his choice of objects, references and words are not intended to convey any special meaning.
Thomas Scheibitz
b1968
90 Elements 2007
Oil on canvas
1820 x 3650 mm
Purchased with funds provided by the Nicholas Themans Trust 2009
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Thomas Scheibitz uses a vocabulary of geometric forms which he distorts and condenses into vibrantly coloured shapes to present an abstracted vision of the media-driven world. 90 Elements is a monumental, horizontally formatted canvas. The central area is filled with differently shaped and variously orientated cubes, each with one side painted a single colour. The mass of boxes is set against a grey ground, and the shallow space is further emphasised by a flat, square or rectangular block of neutral colour placed at each of the four corners of the canvas. Scheibitz rejects a slick finish in his work, and his process is evident in the markings and drips found throughout the canvas. The composition suggests controlled chaos and plays with the viewer’s perception of space with an amalgamation of perspectives. The work’s title refers to the nineteenth-century periodic table of the 90 chemical components found in the natural world, and suggests an ironic comment on science’s attempts to discern or impose order on natural phenomena.
Akram Zaatari
b1966
Objects of Study/The archive of studio Shehrazade/Hashem el Madani/Studio Practices 2007
117 gelatin silver prints on paper taken between 1948 and 1982 by Hashem el Madani
Overall display dimensions variable
Presented by Tate International Council 2008
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Through his art practice and his establishment of the Arab Image Foundation, Akram Zaatari has constructed a rigorous examination of photographic and filmic images and their capacity to critically represent history. This project brings to public attention the archive of Hashem el Madani, who began working as a studio photographer in Saida, Lebanon in 1948. Madani’s studio was perceived as a safe haven, where people could act out their fantasies within the conventional format of portrait photography. Madani records the poses, clothes and behaviour of his clients, reflecting the social and political context in which they lived as well as the norms and taboos of the period. He portrays anonymous individuals and groups, people who normally fall below the radar of public interest. Many of the works in the portfolio fall into sub-categories (for instance Syrian Resistants, Students and Teachers of Aisha Om el Mo’minin School for Girls), and each photograph can be shown individually or in groups.
Art and Ideas – Programme

This year the exhibition and display programme across Tate’s four galleries included major exhibitions of Francis Bacon, Gustav Klimt and Mark Rothko, a strand devoted to emerging artists at all four galleries, a range of mid-career monographic exhibitions and the imaginative presentation of our free Collection displays. This multi-faceted programme was united by a common Tate approach: to challenge and inspire our audiences with a contemporary perspective on art. Whether it be a Tudor masterpiece or a new commission, our aim is to offer audiences experiences that stimulate and inform their lives today.

However, the programme – with its breadth and depth – would not be possible without making partnership central to our way of working. Almost everything we create depends on collaboration with others. Exhibitions, commissions, Collection displays and acquisitions all require an exchange of ideas and expertise with artists, museum colleagues, researchers, lenders and supporters. And working in partnership has benefits that go beyond the ability to generate our programme: it has a profound effect on Tate as an organisation by challenging us to develop new ideas and methods. We are extremely grateful to our partners for their generosity and wisdom, and thank them for their help in enabling us to present a successful programme across all of our galleries and activities.

Tate Britain Exhibitions Dates

The Return of the Gods: Neoclassical Sculpture
28 Jan – 8 June 08

Art Now: Strange Solution
2 Feb – 13 April 08

Peter Doig
5 Feb – 11 May 08

Modern Painters: The Camden Town Group
13 Feb – 5 May 08
BP Exhibition: Drawn from the Collection
25 Feb 08 – 1 Mar 09
Lightbox: Derek Jarman
5 April – 1 June 08
Art Now: Alan Michael
3 May – 20 July 08
Art Now: Juneau Projects
2 June – 26 Oct 08
Mitra Tabrizian: This is that Place
4 June – 10 Aug 08
The Lure of the East: British Orientalist Painting
4 June – 31 Aug 08
Lightbox: Simon Martin
6 June – 27 July 08
Nahnou-Together Now
6 June – 7 Sept 08
Tate Britain Duveens Commission: Martin Creed
1 July – 16 Nov 08
Lightbox: Bonnie Camplin
2 Aug – 28 Sept 08
Art Now: The Way In Which It Landed
2 Aug – 26 Oct 08
Bill Fontana: Speeds of Time
5 Sept – 3 Oct 08
Francis Bacon
11 Sept 08 – 4 Jan 09
Turner Prize 2008
30 Sept 08 – 18 Jan 09
Lightbox: Vong Phaophanit
4 Oct – 30 Nov 08

Art Now: Nashashibi/Skaer
8 Nov 08 – 4 Jan 09

Bob and Roberta Smith: Make Your Own Xmas
5 Dec 08 – 4 Jan 09

Art Now: Hurvin Anderson
3 Feb – 19 April 09

Altermodern: Tate Triennial 09
3 Feb – 26 April 09

Van Dyck and Britain
18 Feb – 17 May 09

Turner/Rothko
23 Mar – 26 July 09

BP British Art Displays
Ongoing

**Tate Modern Exhibitions   Dates**

Restaurant Commission: James Aldridge
18 Aug 07 – present

The Unilever Series: Doris Salcedo
9 Oct 07 – 6 April 08

Juan Muñoz A Retrospective
24 Jan – 27 April 08

Maison Tropicale for Design Museum at Tate Modern
5 Feb – 13 April 08

Duchamp, Man Ray, Picabia
21 Feb – 26 May 08

Level 2 Gallery: Here We Dance
14 Mar – 26 May 08
Conceptual Models: Recent Contemporary Acquisitions  
26 April 08 – 5 April 09

Sign and Texture  
5 May – 26 Oct 08

Street & Studio: An Urban History of Photography  
22 May – 31 Aug 08

UBS Openings: The Long Weekend  
23–26 May 08

Street Art  
23 May – 25 Aug 08

Level 2 Gallery: 9 Scripts from a Nation at War  
13 June – 25 Aug 08

Cy Twombly: Cycles and Seasons  
19 June – 14 Sept 08

H BOX  
3 July – 17 Aug 08

Level 2 Gallery: Latifa Echakhch  
19 Sept – 23 Nov 08

Rothko  
26 Sept 08 – 1 Feb 09

Cildo Meireles  
14 Oct 08 – 11 Jan 09

The Unilever Series: Dominique Gonzalez-Foerster  
14 Oct 08 – 13 April 09

UBS Openings: Paintings from the 1980s  
12 Nov 08 – 13 April 09

Level 2 Gallery: Nicholas Hlobo  
9 Dec 08 – 29 Mar 09

Rodchenko & Popova: Defining Constructivism  
12 Feb – 17 May 09
Roni Horn aka Roni Horn  
25 Feb – 25 May 09

Level 2 Gallery: Stutter  
19 Mar – 16 Aug 09

UBS Openings: Tate Modern Collection  
Ongoing

**Tate Liverpool Exhibitions Dates**

Niki de Saint Phalle  
1 Feb – 5 May 08

Gustav Klimt: Painting, Design and Modern Life in Vienna 1900  
30 May – 31 Aug 08

Liverpool Biennial International Festival: MADE UP  
20 Sept – 30 Nov 08

Tate 08 Series: William Blake, The River of Life  
12 Dec 08 – 29 Mar 09

The Fifth Floor: Ideas Taking Space  
16 Dec 08 – 1 Feb 09

Glenn Brown  
20 Feb – 10 May 09

DLA Piper Series: The Twentieth Century, How it looked & how it felt  
29 Sept 07 – 29 Mar 09

**Tate St Ives Exhibitions Dates**

Rose Hilton: A Selected Retrospective  
26 Jan – 11 May 08

Bernard Leach and his Circle  
26 Jan – 11 May 08

Hugh Stoneman: Master Printer  
26 Jan – 11 May 08
Margo Maeckelberghe: Extended Landscape
26 Jan – 11 May 08

Adam Chodzko: Proxigean Tide
24 May – 21 Sept 08

Dawn of a Colony: Picturing the West, St Ives 1811–1888
24 May – 21 Sept 08

Modernism in St Ives
24 May – 21 Sept 08

Heimo Zobernig and the Tate Collection
4 Oct 08 – 11 Jan 09

A Continuous Line: Ben Nicholson in England
24 Jan – 4 May 09

Luke Frost: Artist in Residence
24 Jan – 4 May 09

Bernard Leach and his Circle
24 Jan – 4 May 09

**Tate Britain**

The Francis Bacon centenary exhibition, sponsored by Bank of America, strengthened the gallery’s reputation for presenting fresh perspectives on British art. The show brought together 65 of Bacon’s most important paintings and provided the first major UK reassessment of his work since the opening of the artist’s studio and the revelation of its contents following Bacon’s death in 1992. The exhibition, which shed new light on Bacon’s remarkable sources, processes and thoughts, was both a critical and popular success enjoyed by over 235,000 visitors. The exhibition would not have been possible without the generous assistance of the Estate of Francis Bacon, and we are extremely grateful for their support of this important exhibition.
Tate Britain’s programme has also been marked by its strong commitment to contemporary art. The exhibition of Peter Doig’s emotionally charged paintings generated a record attendance for a mid-career monographic show of a contemporary British artist at the gallery. And with over 90,000 people visiting the Turner Prize, won this year by Mark Leckey, it is clear that the public’s desire to engage with and comment on the art of their time continues to grow.

The third and most ambitious major contemporary art show of the year was Altermodern, the fourth Tate Triennial. Nicolas Bourriaud, Gulbenkian Curator of Contemporary Art, proposed a new era in art, described as Altermodern. The exhibition’s argument, that there is a new art movement responding to an age characterised by global perspective, travel and communication, generated widespread debate. In addition to a full programme of public events, the exhibition was preceded by four one-day ‘prologues’ in which artists, academics, journalists and the public discussed themes around the Altermodern Manifesto.

Of course, art is an ever-evolving story: recent developments are informed by the past, but they also create new perspectives on art history. The programme of historic art is therefore as relevant to our lives today as its modern and contemporary counterpart. The Van Dyck and Britain exhibition explored the revered artist’s enduring influence on British portraiture. The exhibition included rare loans from the Royal Collection and the National Trust, revealing Anthony van Dyck’s visual legacy to generations of British painters including Thomas Gainsborough, Joshua Reynolds and John Singer Sargent. Van Dyck was also a pupil of Peter Paul Rubens and the exhibition included Tate’s newly acquired work by Rubens The Apotheosis of James I and other studies: Multiple Sketch for the Banqueting House Ceiling, Whitehall c1628–30.
The Lure of the East was an historic exhibition with close relevance today. It explored British responses to the idea of the ‘Orient’ from 1780 to 1930, and received wide critical praise. Mitra Tabrizian: This is that Place, devoted to recent work by the Iranian-British photographer and film director, provided a contemporary counterpoint to the debate. Echoing ideas explored in the Tate Triennial, her work addresses themes of culture, migration and homelands.

The Duveen Galleries, the magnificent space that runs through the middle of Tate Britain, were the location of an exceptional programme of historic and contemporary art. The Return of the Gods, an exhibition of dramatically lit Neoclassical sculpture, was shown to spectacular effect in the space and was followed by Martin Creed’s commission Work No. 850, supported by Sotheby’s, which featured an athlete sprinting through the galleries every 30 seconds. Evoking connections with figurative sculpture, the work offered a provocative and fresh perspective on the human body and the gallery experience.

Providing the context and inspiration for Tate Britain’s wide-ranging exhibition programme, and covering over 500 years, are the more than 30 rooms displaying exceptional works of British art drawn from the Tate Collection. This year as part of the major rehang of the BP British Art Displays, two works were put on public view in the UK for the first time in 40 years. One of the largest and greatest works by Edward Burne-Jones, The Sleep of Arthur in Avalon 1881–98, and Frederic Leighton’s masterpiece Flaming June 1895 were both borrowed from the Museo de Arte de Ponce, Puerto Rico. In the summer of 2008, the displays were further enhanced by a special presentation of rooms themed around abstraction and collage, including works by Liam Gillick, Damien Hirst and Julian Opie.
Tate Modern

Tate Modern’s greatest success is its ability to bring the most sophisticated and challenging modern and contemporary art into the lives of the general public.

The trust that has been established between Tate Modern and its audience has enabled the gallery to present Collection displays and exhibitions that are rooted in rigorous scholarship, and frequently champion art and artists that are not widely known.

One example is the monographic exhibition mounted this year of the Brazilian artist Cildo Meireles. Although an established figure in the contemporary art world, the work of Meireles was largely unknown to the general public. And yet a combination of his mesmerising artworks and Tate Modern’s ability to bring an audience to new art and ideas meant that over 75,000 people came to see the show. Visitors enjoyed the richly sensory installations: walking ankle-deep in talcum powder in the gas-scented, candle-lit room of Volatile 1980–94 or navigating a maze of rulers and ticking clocks in Fontes 1992–2008. The exhibition also featured Eureka/Blindhotland 1970–5, an installation acquired by Tate in 2007.

Mark Rothko is a more familiar artist, but we were still delighted to welcome over 325,000 visitors to this year’s exhibition of the American Abstract Expressionist’s late works, which was sponsored by Fujitsu Services and Access Industries. The show provided a unique opportunity to see reunited for the first, and perhaps last, time the nine Seagram murals that make up Tate’s ‘Rothko Room’, together with the Seagram paintings from the National Gallery of Art in Washington and the Kawamura Memorial Museum of Art in Japan. The exhibition also focused on other work in series, such as the Black-Form paintings and series of Black on Gray paintings created in the final decade of his life.

Cy Twombly, the American artist long resident in Italy, had a career retrospective titled Cycles and Seasons, in which his
magnificent Four Seasons 1993–5 from Tate and The Four Seasons 1993–4 from the Museum of Modern Art in New York were shown together for the first time to stunning effect. One of the foremost painters in the world today, this was the largest and most thorough survey of Twombly’s work ever seen in the UK. Of his works, art critic Laura Cumming said, ‘You can characterise Twombly’s marks… but not the way they work together to give off music or mood. In this respect, the experience of seeing them is deep but wordless.’

Rodchenko & Popova: Defining Constructivism brought together the pioneers of abstraction in Russia, and generated a similar, highly evocative experience. Their works defined their time, capturing the spirit of a newly republican Russia, but also continue to resonate powerfully today in art, design, photography and fashion. Meanwhile, French artist Dominique Gonzalez-Foerster concerned herself with the future when commissioned to create this year’s Unilever Series Turbine Hall installation. TH.2058 depicted a post-apocalyptic year of 2058 where life has been transformed by environmental degradation. Gonzalez-Foerster created a refuge with 200 metal bunk beds, sci-fi books, growing sculptures and an LED screen playing extracts from sci-fi and experimental films, all to the endless drumming of falling rain.

In the summer, the exhibition Street & Studio: An Urban History of Photography contrasted photographs taken in the carefully orchestrated environment of a studio with images captured on hectic urban streets. Artists represented in the show included Diane Arbus, Henri Cartier-Bresson, Cindy Sherman, Robert Mapplethorpe and Wolfgang Tillmans. In an innovative online partnership with Flickr, the public were able to submit their own pictures from the street and the studio. A selection of these photographs was then displayed on a slideshow in the exhibition and also published in a book which was sold in Tate Shops.
The annual changes to the Collection displays, UBS Openings: Tate Modern Collection, also brought rooms dedicated to Gerhard Richter, Marlene Dumas and Hélio Oiticica, among others. The large-scale installation by Cornelia Parker, Thirty Pieces of Silver 1988–9, also went back on display and a major loan of a group of photographs by the Malian artist Seydou Keïta from the Contemporary African Art Collection, owned by Tate International Council member Jean Pigozzi, widened the range of art we display.

**Tate Liverpool**

Tate Liverpool’s twentieth birthday year was its most successful ever, playing a leading role in the city’s celebrations as European Capital of Culture. In 2008–9 the gallery welcomed more than one million visitors for the first time, confirming its status as one of the most influential regional galleries in Europe.

Five years in the making, Gustav Klimt: Painting, Design and Modern Life in Vienna 1900 was Tate Liverpool’s exhibition of the year and its most successful to date, attracting 200,000 visitors. The exhibition showed Klimt’s work in a broad context, tracing his development and exploring his leading role in the Viennese Secession, a progressive group of artists and artisans whose work encompassed art, architecture, fashion and decorative objects. A highlight of the exhibition was a full-scale reconstruction of the Beethoven Frieze 1901–2, a monumental installation created for an exhibition in 1902 which is now permanently installed in the Secession building where it was originally presented in Vienna.

This was the first major exhibition of Klimt ever held in the UK, and its success in Liverpool confirmed that there is an audience for large-scale, ambitious exhibitions outside London. The show was so popular that opening hours had to be extended for the
entire month of August to cope with the demand. Supplementing the exhibition was a rich public programme appealing to all ages which included curator-led tours, film screenings and themed late-night openings. A multimedia tour of the exhibition was developed and made available for free download or at the gallery on Apple iPod touch devices. Retail sales related to the exhibition were among the most successful ever. The exhibition is estimated to have had a direct economic impact of at least £11.1 million on the local economy, in addition to a further £9 million in media coverage.

Tate Liverpool is both a champion of contemporary art and deeply rooted in the local community. As in previous years it played a central role in the fifth Liverpool Biennial. Tate Liverpool commissioned nineteen new works from contemporary artists including David Altmejd, Luisa Lambri and Rodney Graham which encompassed painting, sculpture, installation and drawing. One of the exhibiting artists was Omer Fast, who went on to win the Bucksbaum Award at the 2008 Whitney Biennial in New York. The Fifth Floor: Ideas Taking Space was an exhibition that offered the opportunity to reflect on the transformation Liverpool has undergone in the past five years, and to consider and propose alternative visions for the city’s future. Fourteen artists responded to ideas arising from discussions with local residents, with Paweł Althamer, Rineke Dijkstra, Nina Edge, Peter Liversidge and Paul Rooney all presenting new works or commissions. It’s not often that people are encouraged to draw on the walls of a gallery, but this exhibition included Romanian artist Dan Perjovschi who chalked his cartoon figures on the wall and invited visitors to do the same.

The Glenn Brown exhibition, which opened in February 2009, looked back over eighteen years of the artist’s career. A Turner Prize nominee in 2000, Brown is a painter whose inspiration comes as much from science fiction as from recent art history and Rembrandt. Sought after by collectors, much of Brown’s work is
rarely seen in public and this important mid-career retrospective was widely acclaimed by critics.

The most significant display of the Tate Collection at Tate Liverpool, DLA Piper Series: The Twentieth Century, How it looked & how it felt, continued to captivate visitors. It included Auguste Rodin’s The Kiss 1901–4 in the gallery foyer, and continued in the galleries with Edgar Degas’s Little Dancer Aged Fourteen 1880–1, Pablo Picasso’s Weeping Woman 1937 and Andy Warhol’s Marilyn Diptych 1962. Also on display were major works by James Abbott McNeill Whistler, Pierre Bonnard, Henri Matisse, Piet Mondrian, René Magritte and others. And to top off an exceptional year, Tate Liverpool’s name was inscribed on Liverpool’s Freedom Roll of Association, in recognition of twenty years as a major cultural presence in the city.

Tate St Ives

Tate St Ives’ distinctive setting in an artists’ community in Cornwall gives it a special perspective – both rural and international – which is reflected in its programming of historic, modern and contemporary art.

St Ives draws on a rich lineage. Dawn of a Colony: Picturing the West, St Ives 1811–1888 presented the work of visitors to St Ives in the nineteenth century, particularly those who contributed to its early establishment as an artists’ colony of international renown, akin to Brittany. Beginning with JMW Turner’s visit in 1811, the exhibition traced the work of British artists including Edward Cooke, James Clarke Hook and Henry Moore, as well as international artists such as Marianne Stokes, Henry Harewood Robinson and Anders Zorn, who each sought and recorded the remote, natural beauty of the area. Drawing from international and private collections, Dawn of a Colony was the result of close collaboration with Penlee House Gallery and Museum in
Penzance. Picking up where Tate’s exhibition ended, Penlee House hosted Dawn of a Colony: Lyrical Light, St Ives 1889–1914, which examined St Ives artists’ connections with the Newlyn School and the evolution of the colony in the two decades prior to the First World War.

Ben Nicholson, one the most radical artists of the twentieth century, lived in St Ives for nineteen years. His work is deeply rooted in the experience of the landscape and town, and his time in St Ives was one of his most productive. A Continuous Line: Ben Nicholson in England was the first major exhibition of his work to be held in the UK since 1994. A multimedia walking tour connected spaces in and around St Ives to the work and life of the artist, and featured commentary alongside archival photographs, letters and artworks by Nicholson and his contemporaries. The exhibition itself invited visitors to trace the development of themes running through Nicholson’s landscapes, abstracts and still-lifes, particularly in relation to national and local identities.

The theme of local identity played out strongly in Tate St Ives’ contemporary programme. With Adam Chodzko: Proxigean Tide the relationship between the gallery and local residents took on a particular intimacy. In Borrowed Cold Lodge, Chodzko filled the Heron Mall with 286 pieces of clothing, wet suits and uniforms lent by local residents, clubs and societies. The installation invited visitors to consider the people, groups, activities and occupations that contribute to establishing local identities and a sense of belonging. This mid-career exhibition was the first selected survey of Chodzko’s work held in a public gallery. Met with critical acclaim, it was named as one of the most significant solo shows of 2008 in Frieze magazine.

Heimo Zobernig and the Tate Collection also placed itself firmly within the fabric of Tate St Ives. In his first UK exhibition, Zobernig’s work comprised a mix of sculpture, video, painting,
installation and architectural intervention. In one piece, for example, a red chromakey curtain was installed to obscure the view of Porthmeor Beach, normally a focal point in the gallery. The exhibition also drew on a number of pieces in the Tate Collection, chosen by Zobernig and including works by Edgar Degas, Pablo Picasso, Marcel Duchamp and Henry Moore, to create a context for Zobernig’s own work.

Tate St Ives’ profile in the UK and internationally is growing. Both Heimo Zobernig and the Tate Collection and A Continuous Line: Ben Nicholson in England were touring exhibitions and collaborations. Reflecting the development of the gallery, the Ben Nicholson exhibition travelled to Abbott Hall, Cumbria and De La Warr Pavilion in Bexhill-on-Sea, and the Heimo Zobernig exhibition to the Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation’s Modern Art Centre in Lisbon.

Audiences – Learning

Tate provides a platform for people to encounter art and to have experiences that are transformative and memorable. The way we hang the Collection, choose our special exhibitions, commission new works and put on live events is designed to provide a rich and varied experience for our audiences. The programme is augmented by interpretation, learning activities and special events that make art relevant to a whole range of people, adding to their enjoyment and understanding of the art they see at Tate. Ambition in the way we explain, animate and communicate art and our programme is central to our approach.

There is something for everyone. From the five-year-old child enjoying making their own artwork with materials from Tate Britain’s Art Trolley, to the art academic attending a Tate Modern symposium, we provide texture and depth that meet audiences’ needs across a range of interests and levels of knowledge.
**Adult programmes**

More than any other group, the needs of our adult audiences are varied. So is the range of ways adults are able to engage with art at Tate. Building on this year’s Francis Bacon exhibition at Tate Britain, we hosted over fifteen events for adults, ranging from panel discussions with eminent architects to curator-led talks. A symposium and study days deepened understanding through the examination of Bacon’s artworks, as well as letters, photographs and other material from Tate’s Archive. At Tate St Ives, an international conference attended by local audiences, academics and art professionals explored themes in the Dawn of a Colony: Picturing the West, St Ives 1811–1888 exhibition.

In collaboration with Apple, a downloadable tour of Tate Liverpool’s Gustav Klimt exhibition was developed and tested this year. It was the first self-produced multimedia tour of its kind. Enriched with photographs, music, interviews and behind-the-scenes footage of the exhibition being put together, it offered valuable insights into Klimt’s art, his life and times. Visitors could download the tour free of charge to their own devices before their visit, or they could hire an iPod touch at the gallery. We plan to build on this successful pilot in the future.

A regular programme of events – often led by practising artists – provided adults with routes to discover Tate’s Collection through discussion, life drawing, poetry and philosophy. In February for example, as part of Tate Britain’s new cross-cultural Conversation Pieces series of events, the sculptor Susan Stockwell explored how ideas in her own work such as trade, mapping and recycling are relevant to many key works on display at Tate Britain.

In addition to illuminating the Collection and exhibitions, a strand of our adult programme is aimed at those with an interest in museum practice and the role museums play in society. Attracting regular gallery visitors, curators, academics and artists, a two-day conference held at Tate Modern, Landmark Exhibitions,
presented the history of contemporary art exhibitions. Events such as the Magical Mysterious Regeneration Tour, which included artist-led tours of regeneration sites in and around Liverpool, also invited dialogue and debate around issues like culture and urban regeneration.

**Live events**

Special events at each of Tate’s galleries have proved to be a great way to attract new visitors. UBS Openings: The Long Weekend gave Tate Modern a festival-like feel with activities, events and art commissions for everyone from families to the experienced gallery goer. This year the event was based on the Fluxus art movement of the 1960s and 1970s, and more than 90,000 people visited over just three days. During the same period, the Street Art exhibition, sponsored by Nissan, used the north façade of Tate Modern to present works by six leading international street artists. The exhibition was literally extended ‘beyond the walls’ by an accompanying walking tour, which signposted further street art commissions in the Southwark neighbourhood, placed in collaboration with the local council and community. Tate Britain ran a series of exciting events including bands and DJs, contortionist life drawing and fashion design in conjunction with its BP Saturdays programme. Another popular success was Tate Liverpool’s Twentieth Birthday Party, when we welcomed over 17,000 family visitors to the gallery in one weekend.

The pressures of modern living mean we also need to be more flexible with our opening hours. All Tate’s galleries now offer a line-up of popular late-night openings. Many of these, such as Late at Tate at Tate Britain and Tate Liverpool, are specially programmed each month, and Tate Modern remains open until 22.00 every Friday and Saturday.
Families and children

Art museums are a rich source of inspiration for young children and our programmes exemplify best practice in creative learning. The first time many children visit Tate is as part of a school group and – in London alone – well over 200,000 school children visited us this way last year. For teachers, we offer a highly regarded professional development programme, Tate Teachers, in all our galleries. We also provide a wide range of resources to help teachers plan a visit or lesson. Enhancing and extending the National Curriculum, the resources go beyond art and design, making links with such areas as language, history and citizenship.

Tate is a place where children and families can feel welcome. At Tate Modern, a record 47,500 people attended our family programme this year – 34% more than last year. Start, a weekend and holiday programme at Tate Modern sponsored by UBS, is designed to engage family groups with artworks through games, encouraging active learning and participation. Tate Britain’s Early Years programme, sponsored by Tate & Lyle, brought together a range of local and schools programmes, in addition to the ever-popular Art Trolley, which is available every weekend and during school holidays throughout the year. At Tate St Ives, the Super Sundays programme attracted large crowds with monthly events for families, and HiART – a partnership between Tate St Ives, Barnardo’s and Penwith Family Services – also helped Tate to reach families in rural areas of Cornwall and those with disabled children.

Working with partners to broaden our impact, Tate’s outreach programmes build relationships with schools and provide experiences that nurture children’s interest in art and creativity. In Liverpool, we joined a collaborative consortium of organisations piloting Find Your Talent, the Government initiative which aims to involve children in at least five hours of cultural activity each week. VerbalEyes, an outreach programme at Tate Britain, gives
children the opportunity to explore art and language with contemporary artists, using Tate’s Collection. This year, over 400 children from seven primary schools in the London boroughs of Newham, Greenwich and Westminster took part in this groundbreaking project, which culminated in the creation of collaborative artworks. The final pieces from each school were shown in a special exhibition at Tate Britain, which was launched at a celebratory Family Day in June.

This year we also took steps to make our facilities more family-friendly. All our cafés and restaurants already offer a broad range of fresh, seasonal and locally sourced food, but we added to this by introducing healthy snacks as well as free meals for kids when an adult orders two courses. We know that children and adults alike want to talk about the art they have seen over lunch, or to buy books or other resources that shed more light on the subjects they have encountered. The teams that run our restaurants and cafés, shops and publishing therefore dedicate their efforts to ensuring visitors will always be able to find the right thing, at the right time.

**Young people**

Encouraging creativity, exchanging ideas through collaboration and participation, and taking a global perspective are important aspects of how we engage with young people at Tate.

We want to help unlock the creative talent in young people. Visual arts not only assist in developing creativity, but also contribute to aptitudes for critical reflection, communication and confidence. This year Tate Modern hosted a major conference attended by more than 500 young people from across England. In the eighteen months prior to the conference – a collaboration with Creative Partnerships – over 3,000 students across the UK took part in online discussions, live conversations, video links and debates.
The conference was the first of its kind and 11–19 year-olds presented a ‘Manifesto for a Creative Britain’ outlining what they need to be creative and succeed. The Culture Secretary, Andy Burnham MP, attended the conference and responded to the students’ views.

Collaboration is an essential part of our work with young people. The Street Geniuses programme is run by the South Bank and Bankside Cultural Quarter, a consortium of 22 arts and culture organisations along the south of the river Thames. Together with Street Geniuses, Quicksilver, a dance project organised by contemporary dance companies The Cholmondeleys and The Featherstonehaughs, worked with 30 young people from local schools to create works performed in Tate Modern. Another collaborative success is Tate’s Visual Dialogues partnership, which has built on five years’ experience to steadily increase its impact nationally. The programme encourages young people aged 16–18 to work with artists and gallery staff to share their ideas on how to present the Collection at Tate as well as in partner galleries in Birmingham, Manchester, Newcastle and Sheffield.

Taking an international perspective is as intrinsic to our work with young people as it is to our Collection and programme. Working with groups from Finland, France and Spain, the four-month Youth Art Interchange project, organised through the British Council’s Youth in Action programme, took place at all Tate’s galleries. The project concluded with a weekend of events at Tate Liverpool where over 100 young people took part. Another partnership with the British Council, Nahnou-Together, involves cultural exchange between students, teachers, artists and curators from the UK, Jordan and Syria. A display at Tate Britain in the summer presented the last two years’ work, paving the way for Illuminating Cultures, an ongoing programme exploring the development of modern art between the Middle East and Europe. The Unilever Series: turbinegeneration, which we launched this
year, is the world’s first online partnership linking schools and major galleries internationally. Aiming to enhance students’ understanding of the world by encouraging cross-cultural collaboration through contemporary art, it already links schools and galleries in the UK, Colombia, Greece, China and Russia. We plan to expand this exciting network to over 30 countries by 2012–13.

**Visitor figures / April 2008 – March 2009**

**Visitors to the galleries**

Tate Britain 1,587,655  
Tate Modern 4,647,881  
Tate Liverpool 1,035,958  
Tate St Ives 203,700  
Total 7,475,194

**Onsite learners**

People participating in learning programmes and activities at Tate galleries

Tate Britain 397,657  
Tate Modern 329,793  
Tate Liverpool 63,035  
Tate St Ives 14,122  
Total 804,607

**Outreach participants**

People participating in off-site learning programmes and activities

Tate Britain 87,633  
Tate Modern 32,305
Tate Liverpool 4,799
Tate St Ives 3,332
Total 128,069

**Children in organised education sessions**

Tate Britain 128,787
Tate Modern 121,658
Tate Liverpool 17,082
Tate St Ives 12,304
Total 279,831

**Unique visits to Tate Online**

Total 18,494,657

**Audiences - Beyond Tate**

Through our online and media initiatives, publishing, touring and lending, Tate reaches national and international audiences far beyond the confines of the gallery walls.

**Online, media and publishing**

Having grown rapidly in the past five years, Tate Online is now the leading museum website in the UK. With over 1.8 million unique visitors per month by March 2009, the website is Tate’s fifth venue where national and international visitors can engage with Tate’s Collection, programmes and resources. All major exhibitions are now supported by in-depth microsites. This year’s highlight was the Francis Bacon microsite. Packed with a wealth of content that was of equal interest to those not able to visit the exhibition, it included extensive audio and video content from the BBC’s archive – much of it previously unseen – as well as a virtual room-by-room tour and background information on Bacon and the context of his work. Extracts were also shown on the
BBC’s website, opening up access to millions of new viewers internationally.

Increasingly Tate Online is a platform for discussion and exchange with and among our audiences. Last year we relaunched the Tate Kids section of the website, which is aimed at 6–12 year-olds. A model of how we seek to develop dialogues online, Tate Kids is highly interactive and community-based. Children can create their own artworks and galleries and share them with other users. The site also features a series of short films, Art Sparks, by the BAFTA-nominated animators The Brothers McLeod. The Tate Kids site won a Webby – against strong contenders such as MTV, Marvel and National Geographic. It was also named Best Educational Website at the 2009 Museums and the Web international awards. Significant progress was made this year in developing new content on the web for young people and art and museum professionals, as well as areas devoted to JMW Turner and the Tate Collection.

Tate’s online presence isn’t limited to our own website: we also work with partners to reach broader audiences online. Tate is the first cultural partner in the UK to join forces with Google for Google Maps Street View. A selection of Britain’s most iconic and historically significant paintings from the Collection have been integrated into Google Maps and visitors can, for example, compare today’s view of Westminster with JMW Turner’s depiction of the Houses of Parliament on fire in 1834. This pioneering initiative provides a new context for works from Tate’s Collection, and highlights changes in Britain’s urban and rural spaces over time.

The in-house production of media content – made possible by the richness of the Collection, our imaginative programme and strong relationships with artists – is growing in importance. This year we expanded TateShots, the monthly series of short films produced for our website sponsored by Bloomberg. In a New York special,
we visited the studios of a number of artists working in the city, including Jeff Koons, Jim Dine, Marina Abramovi´c and Cory Arcangel. TateShots footage of artists talking about art will be a rich seam of content that we can reuse in future. At the end of the year, we took steps to expand the availability of hundreds of our video and audio downloads, which are now available for free on Apple’s iTunes U, an area of the iTunes Store featuring educational content. Within one week of launching, international audiences had viewed Tate films over 49,000 times.

Another significant development this year was the production of Tate’s first feature-length film for television broadcast. Directed by BAFTA-winning filmmaker Gerald Fox, the film showed the Brazilian artist Cildo Meireles working in his studio on some of the works which were presented at Tate Modern in the autumn. The film was broadcast on ITV’s South Bank Show, and was also screened at Tate Modern in December. Building on the Turner Prize 3 Minute Wonders produced for Channel 4 last year, we were asked to make a new series of programmes for the channel, broadcast at peak times on weekday evenings after the news.

Tate Publishing is another way we reach audiences, academics and young people throughout the world. An unprecedented 20,000 Francis Bacon exhibition catalogues were sold outside the UK alone last year, and almost as many JMW Turner tour catalogues were sold in the US. Publications in our core areas of British art and international modern art – such as the acclaimed three-volume The History of British Art, edited by David Bindman, Tim Ayers and Chris Stephens, and Red Star Over Russia by David King – complemented our range of publications supporting Tate’s exhibitions and tours.

**Sharing with the nation**

Tate is a resource for the whole nation. Central to our aim to increase understanding and enjoyment of art across the UK are
Tate’s four galleries and a growing network of partnerships and exchanges.

Tate Connects became active this year as the new cornerstone of Tate’s national activities. Supported by Arts Council England, Tate Connects is not a conventional UK museums partnership scheme, but a permeable network that aims to support the visual arts across the UK and to bring about change through exchange and collaboration. The principles behind the network are to share ideas and expertise and to increase public participation in the UK’s visual arts.

This year we established ten founding Tate Connects partners and plan to recruit a further five during 2009. Some of these galleries have collections, some of them are new organisations – but they all have a strong vision, an emphasis on contemporary art, a commitment to supporting artists and a desire to expand audiences for the visual arts. And, like Tate, they are all going through changes, many of them involving the creation of new or refurbished buildings. Tate Connects partners have special access to the Tate Collection and participate in a range of activities, including staff exchanges and secondments.

Tate Connects is also participating in a number of collaborative projects. In 2008, the first major initiative – the Great British Art Debate – was launched. This four-year project encourages people to join in debate about what British art has to say about our lives today. Led by Tyne & Wear Archives & Museums with Tate, Museums Sheffield, Norfolk Museums and Archaeology Service and Iniva, the first exhibition with works from Tate’s Collection opened at Sheffield’s Graves Gallery in February. The opinions and ideas we receive from the public will help shape displays, exhibitions and events to be held all over the country in the run-up to the London Olympics in 2012.

Tate lent a record number of works from the Collection this year. We shared the Collection with 117 UK venues, twice the number
we lent to ten years ago. Prompted by Tate’s acquisition – with Heritage Lottery Fund, Art Fund and Tate Members support – of Richard Parkes Bonington’s French Coast with Fishermen c1825, a collaborative exhibition was conceived with Nottingham Castle Museum and Art Gallery. The painting by Nottingham-born Bonington was the highlight of the exhibition, which also featured works by JMW Turner from Tate’s Collection.

The ARTIST ROOMS tours have also taken Tate’s national lending and touring activities to a new level. Following the gift by Anthony d’Offay to Tate and National Galleries of Scotland, an extensive series of exhibitions was organised in collaboration with galleries up and down the country. In 2009–10, this important body of work will be shown in eighteen venues across England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland, including Tate and National Galleries of Scotland.

**Tate Connects partners**

Baltic, Gateshead
Firstsite, Colchester
The Hepworth, Wakefield
Ikon, Birmingham
Kettle’s Yard, Cambridge
mima, Middlesbrough
The Exchange, Penzance
Nottingham Contemporary, Nottingham
Towner, Eastbourne
Turner Contemporary, Margate

**ARTIST ROOMS associates**
Aberdeen Art Gallery
De La Warr Pavilion, Bexhill-on-Sea
Firstsite, Colchester
Graves Gallery, Museums Sheffield
Inverness Museum and Art Gallery
The Lightbox, Woking
mima, Middlesbrough
National Museum Cardiff
The New Art Gallery Walsall
The Pier Arts Centre, Stromness, Orkney
Tramway, Glasgow
Ulster Museum, National Museums Northern Ireland
Wolverhampton Art Gallery

Sharing with the world

A growing number of international collaborations, exhibitions and loans has enabled Tate to extend its global reach and perspective. New partnerships in the Middle East and the Asia-Pacific region have provided fresh opportunities for cultural dialogue and idea sharing.

Tate’s participation in the World Collections Programme, launched in 2008 with funding from the Department for Culture, Media and Sport, is helping us develop links with the Middle East. Bringing together Tate, the British Museum, the Victoria and Albert Museum, the British Library, the Natural History Museum and the Royal Botanic Gardens at Kew, the Programme aims to share knowledge and practice with museums abroad. In January 2009, in partnership with the International Curators’ Forum and the online magazine Nafas, a major symposium entitled Contemporary Art in the Middle East was held on consecutive days at Tate Britain and Tate Modern. The symposium examined
how the Middle East is defined, how interpretation affects understanding of art at home and abroad, and the potential impact of new and emerging spaces for showing modern and contemporary art in the region. Following the symposium, a five-day workshop was also held in Sharjah, United Arab Emirates, for emerging curators. Organised by Tate in partnership with the Sharjah Biennial and the International Curators’ Forum, the workshop brought together curators from across the Middle East and the UK.

New venues for exhibition tours and loans also broadened Tate’s international reach, bringing British art to audiences beyond the well-travelled routes. After visiting Washington DC, Dallas and New York, JMW Turner continued on to the Pushkin Museum of Fine Arts in Moscow and the National Art Museum of China (NAMOC) in Beijing. The exhibition comprised 40 oil paintings and 70 works on paper including Norham Castle, Sunrise c1845, Self-Portrait c1799 and The Burning of the Houses of Parliament 1834–5. It was the first time a substantial number of Turner’s works had been on view in Moscow in a generation. The result of a partnership between Tate, the Pushkin, the Art and Sport Foundation (Moscow) and the British Council, the show was named ‘exhibition of the year’ by Russian critics. An article in The Times stated that, ‘Political relations between Britain and Russia may still be in the deep freeze, but when it comes to culture the countries appear not to have noticed anything amiss’. The tour to Beijing was achieved through a partnership between Tate, the British Council and the NAMOC.

After travelling to the USA, Tate Britain’s The Lure of the East: British Orientalist Painting was the first Tate exhibition ever to tour the Middle East. With stops at the Pera Museum in Istanbul and the Sharjah Art Museum, the tour reinforced Tate’s commitment to bridging cultures by setting up a platform for new international dialogues. After touring to the Van Gogh Museum in Amsterdam, the Millais exhibition went on to two venues in Japan: the
Kitakyushu Museum of Art and the Bunkamura Museum in Tokyo. Turner Prize: A Retrospective also travelled to Tokyo’s Mori Museum of Art, and Rothko travelled to the Kawamura Memorial Museum of Art in Sakura City.

These are just a selection of more than twenty exhibitions which toured to over 35 locations worldwide. In addition to Tate’s touring exhibitions, a total of 1,031 artworks were loaned this year, making Tate’s Collection available to audiences in a record 144 international venues.

Improving the Organisation

Developing staff

Adrian Hardwicke began his career at Tate in 1991 in a holiday job that left him shivering in a small wooden cabin outside the gallery providing information to people attending the blockbuster Constable show. Seventeen years later, Adrian became one of our directors. In the intervening years he held the following posts: Information Assistant, Press Assistant, Assistant Press Officer, Press Officer, Project Officer for the Development of Tate Modern, Front of House Manager at Tate Modern, Head of Visitor Services at Tate Modern, Head of Visitor Services and Operations at Tate Modern, and then in September 2008, Director of Visitor Services and Estates.

What is remarkable about Adrian’s story is that it is not remarkable. Andrea Nixon, now Executive Director at Tate Liverpool, Sheena Wagstaff, Chief Curator at Tate Modern and Kate Sloss, our new Director of Collection Care have all been able to develop their careers to a senior level from within Tate. It is our policy to nurture the extraordinary talents of the approximately 1,200 individuals who work directly and indirectly for Tate and to help them fulfil their professional potential. Of course there are times when individuals have to leave Tate to
develop their career. This was the case with Vilma Nikolaidou who left her position as an advisor in the Human Resources department to take up a more senior role at Arts Council England. But three years later, in February of this year, we were delighted to welcome Vilma back as the manager of the Human Resources department.

Our commitment to investing in and supporting our staff continues, as does the determination to improve Tate's training provision to reflect individual needs and changing organisational priorities. Tate’s learning and development programmes respond to future needs, building skills and expertise to support our development. Over the past year we have run a full and varied training programme, ranging from lunch-hour ‘Learning Bite’ sessions to longer courses, as well as evening language classes, outside placements, exchanges and internships. At Tate Modern, staff in the Visitor Services teams completed their Level 3 National Vocational Qualifications (NVQ) in Cultural Heritage last year – the first time this course has been undertaken at Tate. We also took part in the Clore Leadership Programme’s short courses offering intensive, two-week residential programmes designed for emerging leaders in cultural institutions. For senior staff, we expanded our successful coaching programme, and took steps towards improved succession planning to ensure a steady stream of talent in key areas.

Internship and placement opportunities play an important role in Tate’s efforts to develop skills in the arts sector. Tate’s Conservation department is particularly active in hosting internships each year. Funded by John Schaeffer and Lady Angela Nevill, the innovative Schaeffer-Nevill-Keating post is a two-year secondment for a staff member which allows them to develop expertise by working on a specialised conservation project. This conservator was replaced with an intern who gained experience in the loans section of the painting conservation team. Other internships have been held in sculpture, time-based media
and framing conservation, and in areas such as Learning, Marketing and the Director’s Office.

Tate for All

We have made significant progress in establishing our Tate for All diversity strategy across all of our activities. It is essential that the make-up of our staff reflects a wide range of experiences, backgrounds and opinions so we can bring broader perspectives to our Collection and programme. This year we hosted five ‘Peach’ placements, a strand of the government-funded Cultural Leadership Programme aiming to create a strong leadership culture and enhance the diversity of current and future leaders in the sector. These six-month placements allow people at mid-career levels to work on projects that develop their skills. This year’s Peach placements led projects ranging from Tate’s internship programme through to improving the sustainability of our operations.

Tate Liverpool led a consortium of local cultural organisations in setting up a training scheme for 16–24 year-olds. Creative Apprenticeships, part of a national scheme, is designed to open doors to careers in the creative and cultural sectors, and to increase diversity. The programme gave ten young people from Merseyside paid training at some of Liverpool’s major arts organisations including two at Tate. Tate Liverpool is also leading a pilot of the government’s Find Your Talent programme, which will broaden awareness of the arts through promoting five hours of culture for children per week.

Funders and supporters

Tate relies on a wide variety of funding sources. Government funding is critical, but only accounts for 38% of our income. We generate the other 62% ourselves. Maintaining this level of income from individual, foundation and corporate supporters,
together with our visitors, Members and Patrons is fundamental to the delivery of our public programme.

**Public Funding and Foundation Support**

In 2008–9, Tate raised over £1 million for research from a range of sources including the Arts and Humanities Research Council, Public Sector Research Exploitation Fund, Andrew W Mellon Foundation and the European Union. This large sum reflects the progress we have made in developing and focusing our research efforts. We also received support for our regional and national activities. Tate Liverpool’s important role in the city’s European Capital of Culture year led to the gallery receiving funding from Liverpool City Council, the Northwest Regional Development Agency, the Esmée Fairbairn Foundation and Arts Council England. The John Lyon’s Charity and the 29th May 1961 Charitable Trust also offered three-year pledges of support towards learning programmes at Tate Britain and Tate Modern that will allow us to extend learning activities for diverse audiences.

**Corporate partners**

Like many others, Tate has felt the impact of the turbulent economic conditions affecting the global economy during this period. But the deep and lasting relationships we have developed over many years with our corporate supporters meant that we were able to retain many of our most significant partnerships.

At Tate Modern, UBS’s sponsorship of UBS Openings has helped to bring the Tate Collection and supporting events to new and varied audiences. Interpretation at Tate Modern and our popular TateShots online film series are both supported by Bloomberg, while Unilever’s sponsorship of the annual artist commission in the Turbine Hall has been renewed for a further four years. Tate Modern’s exhibition programme also enjoyed considerable
support with Fujitsu Services and Access Industries sponsoring Rothko and Nissan sponsoring the Street Art exhibition.

BP has been a long-term supporter of Tate Britain’s Collection displays, along with BP Saturdays for families and young people, and the BP British Art Lectures and Artist Talks. The Duveens Commission is now supported by Sotheby’s, enabling it to become an annual commission which, in 2009, is in its second year. Tate & Lyle continued its support of the VerbalEyes schools outreach project and the Art Trolley. In the autumn, Tate Britain’s Francis Bacon exhibition was sponsored by Bank of America.

DLA Piper continued its long-standing support of the Collection displays at Tate Liverpool, which will be refreshed again in 2009. Tate was also pleased to welcome three new corporate members this year: Hanjin Shipping Company, Investec Asset Management and RWE npower.

**Individual Members, Patrons and donors**

The significant financial contribution made by individuals is a vital source of income that enables Tate to present its varied programme and add important works to the Collection.

We were delighted that despite the difficult economic climate, memberships rose to a record 95,000. Tate Members made a significant contribution towards the acquisition of Peter Paul Rubens’s The Apotheosis of James I and other studies: Multiple Sketch for the Banqueting House Ceiling, Whitehall c1628–30 as well as supporting the acquisition of works by artists such as Runa Islam, Mark Wallinger and Tacita Dean.

The committed support of the Tate Patrons for Tate’s Collection, exhibitions and conservation is as strong as ever. Income from Patron support grew to more than £900,000 this year, allowing us to acquire important works from artists including David Batchelor and Gerald Leslie Brockhurst. Continuing their long-standing
association with the Turner Prize, the Tate Patrons also generously supported the 2008 Prize and exhibition.

With 24 countries represented in its membership, the International Council continues to expand. Tate is dedicated to representing artists from around the world, and our Acquisitions Committees provide important support for this. In the past year these groups of supporters helped bring into the Collection works by important Japanese, American and Latin-American artists. The American Patrons of Tate also continued to support our collection of North American and Latin American art, providing gifts of more than $1.5 million over the year.

Building on our recent successes in engaging individual donors to support Tate’s programme, Exhibition Supporters Groups were established for Cy Twombly, Cildo Meireles and Peter Doig, providing significant support for these important exhibitions of work by living artists.

Tate also received over £4 million in legacies this year including substantial bequests from Gwenan Rees Jones and Paul Millwood. The earlier major legacy of Nicholas Themans also enabled Tate to purchase two further works.

Trading activities

Tate Enterprises is responsible for the majority of Tate’s commercial activities, including the running of our publishing, retail and catering operations. These activities add to visitors’ enjoyment of the galleries and their understanding of art, and also help raise the funds we need to run the galleries. Over the last decade the team leading Tate Enterprises has built a thriving concern by mixing entrepreneurial flair, sound business practice and a passion for customer service, combined with sensitivity to the art and artists they work with. This approach has ensured that Tate Enterprises has been able to make a significant contribution to Tate’s running costs each year. This year they achieved the
best financial results in their history, resulting in a contribution to Tate of £3.8 million.

**Operational efficiency**
Tate runs four galleries, cares for the national collection of British and modern art, lends over 1,000 objects annually and welcomes millions of visitors each year. We are able to operate on the scale we do because of the professionalism and dedication of our staff and their remarkable productivity. Whether we are generating income or investing in our activities, we work hard to derive maximum public benefit from our actions.

As a way of improving the efficiency of Tate’s operations we took out a long lease on approximately 55,500 sq ft of underground bunker accommodation at Dean Hill Park, Salisbury, for storing parts of our Collection. The new facility provides a stable environment for housing the Collection, and is much more cost effective than using commercial storage facilities in London. Other moves to improve efficiency and productivity have included the upgrade of Tate’s IT systems and infrastructure to improve the speed of the network between Tate’s sites, and planning for further digitisation of Tate’s Collection and Archive.

**Sustainable practices**
We want to become a leader in museum sustainability; to use the opportunities provided by our capital plans to test and develop the latest sustainable methodologies and working practices, which can then be shared with colleagues across the world. Our approach to sustainability was reviewed by the Trustees in September, and then was incorporated into Tate’s operational plans. Sustainability will be a prime consideration throughout all of Tate’s work, from the way we source food for the catering services in our galleries to the way we manage buildings and arrange transportation.
We are working in partnership with the Carbon Trust to benchmark Tate’s carbon footprint, enabling us to identify a standard from which to work, with resulting actions for the coming years. We are committing to reducing our energy use and waste and are also looking for opportunities to share best practice with the museum sector. For instance, there is potential to reduce the environmental impact of core activities such as exhibitions, art transportation and events, and we have started to work with curators, artists and suppliers to achieve this. We have also been looking to move sustainability into new areas of practice. This includes building construction, and planned innovations in using heat generated by the EDF Energy electricity plant at Tate Modern to power the new, transformed Tate Modern.

We are already busy putting our green plans into action. Over the last year we have reduced landfill waste from Tate Britain by 17%, and were delighted to be awarded the Carbon Trust Standard in recognition of the carbon savings we have made. We also became an early member of the Mayor of London’s Green500 group – a consortium of major London organisations who formally commit to reducing their carbon emissions. Green Champions, Tate’s programme encouraging sustainability at a grass-roots level across the organisation, was launched in May 2008. Our Green Champions are individual volunteers in every department, working to instigate environmental changes and share best practice with their colleagues. One of the initiatives has involved the introduction of a new lighting control system at Tate Britain, which has cut down on unnecessary lighting outside gallery opening hours and is estimated to have increased efficiency in this area by 32%.

**Future Developments**

Tate’s capital plans respond to the pressures created by success and our ambition to broaden audiences, build and show a truly
international Collection and enhance our visitors’ experience through learning and participation. To achieve this we need to create new and different spaces.

**Transforming Tate Modern**

In late March 2009, we were granted planning permission on a revised plan to develop Tate Modern. Herzog & de Meuron, the architects of the original conversion from a power station to a museum, have designed a dramatic new building on the south-west side of the gallery which combines cutting-edge museum design with enhanced sustainability. The three enormous subterranean oil tanks that once housed the fuel that powered London will form the foundations of a new building, which will rise up to 65 metres on eleven levels. The new Tate Modern will increase the gallery’s display space capacity by 60% and add a range of spaces for learning and social uses, enabling us to display new and emerging art forms in appropriate ways.

Tate Modern urgently needs this extra space. The gallery was designed for two million visitors a year, but we consistently welcome around five million visitors, putting pressure on the galleries and services. The transformation will allow us to provide exciting and challenging experiences for our visitors, and give them the opportunity to participate more fully in the activities of Tate Modern. Just as crucially, Tate Modern’s place in the community will be enhanced. New routes and public spaces will open up the gallery to the south, welcoming people in, contributing to local regeneration and further integrating the gallery into its neighbourhood.

When it is completed, the transformed Tate Modern will provide London with a new cultural landmark, while setting new standards in sustainability and bringing international modern and contemporary art to an even wider audience than ever before.
Transforming Tate Britain: Phase 1

The Tate Gallery opened on Millbank in 1897. Over the past 110 years it has undergone a number of expansions and renovations. Now, as Tate Britain, a new development plan is underway: the first phase of Transforming Tate Britain.

Like Tate Modern, the new Tate Britain will make better use of its space, offer much improved visitor services and meet the increasing demand for learning opportunities. It will put Tate Britain in a strong position to expand its work and attract new audiences. In Phase 1, gallery space in the South East Quadrant will be refurbished to make it watertight, improving environmental conditions so that we can expand the range of art on display. A new stair in the Rotunda will link the three floors of the building and the project includes a new café, reception area and information hub. The upper level of the building will be returned to public use through a new Members Room, and a new River Room will be made available for seminars and corporate events. Learning facilities will also be improved through the creation of new studios integrated into the gallery spaces. In the longer-term second and third phases, galleries in the South West Quadrant will be refurbished, and a new extension will be built on the site of the Clore Car Park to the north.

Transforming Tate Britain is a complex development plan, with the initial phase scheduled to be completed by 2013. To date, half of the funds have been raised towards Phase 1, including a major gift from the Manton Foundation.

Tate St Ives: Phase 2

Tate St Ives has continued to work closely with its local community on plans to develop the gallery. After extensive consultations, new proposals are in place for the future of Tate St Ives. In partnership with Penwith Housing Association, the plan is to rebuild, improve and increase the number of sheltered housing
units adjacent to the gallery. This will release land for additional
gallery space, learning facilities, staff support areas and art
handling. Tate St Ives is now working with Cornwall County
Council and Penwith Housing Association to secure funding for
this project, as a first step towards redeveloping the land for the
gallery.

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**Financial Review**

Tate is funded by Grant-in-Aid from Parliament, provided through the Department for Culture, Media and Sport. Tate supplements this grant through other sources, including trading, admissions, donations and sponsorship. Tate continues to generate more than 60% of general income year-on-year from sources other than Grant-in-Aid.

These financial statements are summarised from the full audited accounts which can be accessed at www.tate.org.uk Tate has followed the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP), Accounting and Reporting for Charities.

**Income / £200.2m**

The exhibition programme at Tate has a direct impact on income each year. In 2008–9 exhibitions included Gustav Klimt at Tate Liverpool, Rothko and Cy Twombly at Tate Modern, and Francis Bacon at Tate Britain, resulting in high levels of trading and admission income. As shown here, income is allocated to both annual operating expenditure and capital expenditure.

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<th>Source of Income</th>
<th>Amount</th>
<th>Percentage</th>
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<td>Donated works of art</td>
<td>£64m</td>
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<td>Grant-in-Aid – operating</td>
<td>£32.5m</td>
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<td>Trading income</td>
<td>£29.4m</td>
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<td>£27m</td>
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<td>£21.5m</td>
<td>11%</td>
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<td>Income from charitable activities</td>
<td>£10.4m</td>
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<td>Investment income</td>
<td>£8.6m</td>
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<td>Activities for generating funds</td>
<td>£6.2m</td>
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<td>Other income</td>
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**Self-generated income**

To fund operational activities in 2008–9, Tate generated over 60% of its income from sources other than Grant-in-Aid. In the past five years Tate has increased self-generated income by 39% compared to a 14% increase in Grant-in-Aid over the same period. The graph below demonstrates how self-generated income has increased over the last five years.

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<td>Self-generated income*</td>
<td>£38.7m</td>
<td>£42.4m</td>
<td>£44.9m</td>
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*Excludes income associated with capital expenditure and collections

**Operating Expenditure**

The two graphs on this page show how income is allocated to annual expenditure at Tate. Expenditure includes the research and care of the Collection; the public programme of exhibitions; education and outreach; fundraising and publicity; and trading, governance and support costs.
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<th>Charitable activities: public programme</th>
<th>£38.9m</th>
<th>44%</th>
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<td>Trading costs</td>
<td>£26.9m</td>
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<td>Charitable activities: support costs</td>
<td>£15m</td>
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<td>Other costs of generating funds</td>
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**Capital expenditure / £112.9m**

Over the past year we have added works of art valued at £96.7m to the Collection. Of this figure, £64m has been donated by individuals either directly or in lieu of tax. Donated works of art include the donated element of the ARTIST ROOMS collection which was acquired in June 2008 under a part gift/part sale at cost agreement. The collection is jointly owned by Tate and National Galleries of Scotland and the donated element included in Tate’s accounts represents 50% of the total donated element. Funding for the sale at cost element of the acquisition was provided by the National Heritage Memorial Fund, The Art Fund and the Scottish and UK Governments. Donated works of art also include Bigger Trees Near Warter 2007 donated by David Hockney and Dew-Drenched Furze 1889–90 donated by Sir Geoffroy Millais. Funding for purchased works of art has come from many sources.
including the National Heritage Memorial Fund, The Art Fund, the Henry Moore Foundation, Tate Members, Tate Patrons and self-generated income. We have invested a total of £16.2m in our buildings and equipment, including essential major repairs, and in design and planning work for further developments at Tate Modern and Tate Britain.

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<td>Works of art purchased</td>
<td>£5.3m</td>
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Statement of Financial Activities
Analysed between Income, Expenditure, Buildings and Collections.

Income

Donated works of art
This is the value of works of art that have been donated to Tate in the past year.

Other voluntary income
Includes donations to Tate such as Heritage Lottery Fund, grants, money from The Art Fund and any other donations or grants used on the purchase of works of art or on capital building projects. Voluntary income also includes Tate Members income and donations from individuals and trusts as well as legacies.

Trading income
Income associated with Tate Enterprises Ltd trading including catering, retail and publishing income.

Other activities for generating funds
This income includes sponsorship for exhibitions, projects and corporate events.

Investment income
Income generated on cash balances and investments, including the Tate Modern lease deposit.
Grant-in-Aid
Tate is funded by Grant-in-Aid from Parliament, provided through the Department for Culture, Media and Sport.

Other income from charitable activities
Admission income to exhibitions, general admission income to Tate St Ives, touring exhibition income and income from events and courses.

Other income
Primarily income for services provided to others.

Expenditure

Costs of generating voluntary income / costs of generating funds
Tate’s fundraising operation.

Trading costs
Costs associated with Tate Enterprises Ltd trading including catering, retail and publishing costs.

Charitable activities: public programme
Costs associated with undertaking our core charitable mission (eg the display of art, education and all associated costs) are charitable activities.
Charitable activities: support costs
Costs associated with supporting the above, such as caring for the Collection.

Governance costs
Comprises the cost of staff involved in governance as well as the annual audit fees.
For the Consolidated Statement of Financial Activity and the Consolidated Balance Sheet please open the separate large print document called Finance Sheets.
### Consolidated Statement of Financial Activity

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## Consolidated Balance Sheet

As at 31 March 2009

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**Represented by**

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Fixed assets
Comprises land, buildings, plant and works of art.

Investments
Comprises funds held to generate income for the purchase of works of art and other charitable activity.

Current assets
Includes amounts due from debtors, income received for future projects and money set aside to pay lease rentals on Tate Modern.

Current creditors
This is the money we owe suppliers at the balance sheet date or during the next financial year.

Amounts falling due after more than one year
Lease rentals due on Tate Modern up to and including 2010.

Endowments, restricted and designated funds
Endowments are monies that have been given to Tate but only the income earned on them can be spent. Restricted funds are funds that are restricted for particular purposes. Designated funds are designated for a particular use by the Trustees. General funds are funds available for general use. Tate maintains reserves to provide for unforeseen expenditure and to provide working capital.