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## Sean Scully (b. 1945)

Sean Scully studied at Croydon College of Art between 1965-7 of Art and then at Newcastle University between 1967-71. In 1975 he was awarded a Harkness Fellowship and established a studio in New York, where he settled, becoming an American citizen in 1983.

Over the years, Scully has developed and refined his own recognisable style of geometric abstraction and most notably his characteristic motif of the 'stripe'. Although he is predominately known for his monumental paintings, he is also a gifted printmaker who has made a notable body of woodcuts and etchings.

Scully has had major retrospective exhibitions at the Whitechapel Gallery, London, in 1989 and a touring show initiated in 1995 at the Hirshhorn Museum, Washington. In 2001 his 'Painting, Drawings Photographs 1990-2001' exhibition, travelled from the Kunstsammlung Nordrhein Westfalen in Dusseldorf to the Haus Der Kunst in Munich and to I.V.A.M. in Valencia. His paintings and prints are held in the collections of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, MoMA and the Guggenheim Museum in New York, the National Gallery, Washington, Modern Art Museum of Fort Worth, Texas, Tate, London, Louisiana, Denmark and the Reina Sofia, Madrid. He currently lives and works in New York and Bavaria.

### SELECTED EXHIBITIONS

- 2023 *Smaller than the Sky*, Houghton Hall, Norfolk, UK  
2022 *Material World*, Thorvaldens Museum, Copenhagen, Denmark  
*Song of Color*, Langen Foundation, Neuss, Germany  
2021 *The Shape of Ideas*, Modern Art Museum of Fort Worth, Fort Worth, TX, US; Philadelphia Museum of Art, Philadelphia, PA, US (2022)  
2020 *Passenger - A Retrospective*, Hungarian National Gallery, Budapest, Hungary; Benaki Museum, Athens, Greece (2021); Center of Contemporary Art Znaki Czasu, Toruń, Poland (2022); Museo d'Arte Moderna di Bologna, Bologna, Italy (2022); Museum of Contemporary Art, Zagreb, Croatia  
Lisson Gallery, East Hampton, New York, NY, US  
*Opulent Ascension*, LWL Museum for Art and Culture, Münster, Germany  
*Insideoutside*, Skulpturenpark Waldfrieden, Wuppertal, Germany  
2019 *Sean Scully: The Mexico Years*, Instituto Cultural Cabañas, Guadalajara, Mexico  
*Eleuthera*, Albertina, Vienna, Austria; Centro de Arte Contemporaneo de Malaga, Malaga, Spain; Royal Hibernian Academy, Dublin, Ireland (2021)  
*Sea Star*, National Gallery of Art, London, UK  
*Landline*, Wadsworth Atheneum Museum of Art, Hartford, CT, US

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## Artist Biography

- 2018 Cuadra San Cristóbal, Mexico City, Mexico  
*Sean Scully: 1970*, Laing Art Gallery and Hatton Gallery, Newcastle upon Tyne, UK  
*No Words*, Edward Hopper House, Nyack, NY, US  
2017 *Facing East*, Multimedia Art Museum, Moscow, Russia  
*Wall of Light Cubed*, Cheim & Read, New York, NY, US  
Kunsthhaus Lempertz, Brussels, Belgium  
2016 *Resistance and Persistence. Paintings 1967-2015*, Guangdong Museum of Art, Guangzhou, China  
*Sean Scully: Metal*, Galerie Lelong, Paris, France  
*Sean Scully: Horizon*, Timothy Taylor Gallery, London, UK  
2015 National Gallery Ireland, Dublin, Ireland  
*Four Days*, Kewenig Galerie, Berlin, Germany  
*Sean Scully - Malerei als Weltaneignung*, Museum Liaunig, Neuhaus, Austria  
*Land Sea*, Palazzo Falier, Venice Biennale, Venice, Italy  
2014 *Follow the Heart*, Himalayas Art Museum, Shanghai, China  
*Figure/Abstract*, Ludwig Museum, Koblenz, Germany  
2013 *Sean Scully: Night and Day*, Cheim and Read, New York, NY, US  
*Triptychs*, Pallant House Gallery, Chichester, West Sussex, UK  
2012 Philadelphia Museum of Art, Philadelphia, PA, US  
*Doric Order*, IVAM - Institut Valencià d'Art Modern, Valencia, Spain; Benaki Museum of Art, Athens, Greece  
Luz del Sur, Palacio Carlos V, Alhambra, Granada, Spain  
2011 *Sean Scully: Paintings and Watercolours*, Chazen Museum of Art, Madison, WI, US  
*Sean Scully: Works on Paper*, George Washington University, Washington, D.C., US  
2010 Iona Inglby Gallery, Edinburgh, UK  
2009 *Paintings from the 80s*, Timothy Taylor Gallery, London  
2008 *Sean Scully: A Retrospective*, Musée d'Art Moderne de Saint Etienne, France  
*La Surface Peinte*, Galerie Lelong, Paris, France  
2007 Fundación Joan Miró, Barcelona, Spain  
Galerie Jamileh Weber, Zurich, Switzerland  
2006 The Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, NY, US  
2005 Galerie Lelong - New York, NY, US  
2004 National Gallery of Canberra, Canberra, Australia  
2003 *New Paintings*, Timothy Taylor Gallery, London, UK  
2002 Fundação Bienal De São Paulo, 25° Bienal De São Paulo, São Paulo, Brazil  
Gemaldegalerie Neue Meister Staatliche Kunstsammlungen, Dresden, Germany  
2001 Galerie Lelong, Paris, France  
Le Musée Jenisch, Vevey, Switzerland  
2000 *Drawings*, The Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, NY, US  
Galeria Carles Taché, Barcelona, Spain

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- 1999 *Signature Pieces*, Alan Cristea Gallery, London, UK  
*Work from Garner Tullis Workshop*, Galerie Kornfeld, Zurich, Switzerland
- 1998 Timothy Taylor Gallery, London, UK  
Bawag Foundation, Vienna, Austria  
Galerie Haas & Fuchs, Berlin, Germany
- 1997 *Works on Paper 1975-1996*, Whitworth Art Gallery, Manchester, UK
- 1996 Galeria Carles Taché, Barcelona, Spain  
*Pastels*, Galerie Lelong, New York, USA
- 1995 Sean Scully: Twenty Years, Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden, Washington DC
- 1994 Works on Paper, Knoedler and Company, New York, NY, USA  
Butler Gallery, Kilkenny Castle, Kilkenny, Ireland
- 1993 Mary Boone Gallery, New York (& 1995)  
Sean Scully: The Catherine Paintings, Modern Art Museum of Fort Worth, Texas
- 1992 Brooke Alexander Editions, New York  
Woodcuts, Pamela Auchincloss Gallery, New York, NY, USA
- 1991 Paintings and Works on Paper, Jamileh Weber Gallery, Zurich, Switzerland
- 1990 Karsten Greve Gallery, Cologne, Germany
- 1989 Whitechapel Art Gallery, London
- 1988 Four Paintings, Art Institute of Chicago
- 1987 Mayor Rowan Gallery, London, UK  
Galerie Schmela, Dusseldorf, Germany
- 1986 David McKee Gallery, New York, NY, USA
- 1985 Museum of Art, Carnegie Institute, Pittsburgh then MFA, Boston
- 1984 Juda Rowan Gallery, London, UK  
Galery S65, Aalst, Belgium
- 1983 David McKee Gallery, New York, NY, USA
- 1982 William Beadleston Gallery, New York, NY, USA
- 1981 Museum fur Kultur, Berlin  
Sean Scully: Paintings 1971-1981, Ikon Gallery, Birmingham,  
Arts Council exhibition touring to Sunderland Arts Centre
- 1980 Susan Caldwell Gallery, New York, NY, USA
- 1979 The Clocktower, New York  
'Painting for One Place', Nadin Gallery, New York, NY, USA
- 1977 Duffy-Gibbs Gallery, New York, NY, USA  
Rowan Gallery, London, UK
- 1976 Tortue Gallery, Santa Monica, CA, USA
- 1974 Rowan Gallery, London, UK  
Tortue Gallery, Santa Monica, CA, USA
- 1973 Rowan Gallery, London (& 1975, 1977, 1979, 1981 & 1984)

### SELECTED PUBLIC COLLECTIONS

- AU Australian National Gallery, Canberra
- ES Centro de Arte Reina Sofia, Madrid
- IE Museum of Modern Art, Dublin
- UK Tate Gallery, London  
Victoria and Albert Museum, London  
Whitworth Art Gallery, Manchester
- US Art Institute of Chicago  
Brooklyn Museum, New York  
Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York  
Museum of Fine Arts, Boston  
Museum of Modern Art, New York  
National Gallery of Art, Washington, DC