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ART EXHIBITIONS IN LONDON STARTING

OCTOBER TO DECEMBER 2026

MUSEUM	DETAILS	START	FINISH
NATIONAL GALLERY	RENOIR AND LOVE Renoir a leading French Impressionist at his best in the 1860's to 1880's was always able to capture people connections. This major exhibition came from the Musee D'Orsay and will go on to Boston.	03/10/26	31/01/27
	VAN EYCK: THE PORTRAITS His dates 1380 or 1390 to 1441 active in Bruges and regarded by some as the inventor of oil painting (disputed) but certainly a master of the Northern Renaissance and court painter. The National Gallery has three fine portraits in their collection but there are only 20 exact works, so to show for the first time ever all portraits will involve international support.	21/11/26	11/04/27
NATIONAL PORTRAIT GALLERY	TIM WALKER'S FAIRYLAND: LOVE AND LEGENDS Tim Walker is a noted photographer of celebrity and work for international magazines. His whimsical style is reflected in photography of activists, performers, artists and writers. Heralded as an unforgettable celebration.	09/10/26	07/02/27
ROYAL ACADEMY	RICHARD DADD: BEYOND BEDLAM From the 1840s the artist established himself as a highly accomplished painter of fairy scenes. Later became delusional and spent the rest of his days in Bethlem but of course continued his wonderful painting! More than 100 works.		25/10/26
	PAINTING THE FRENCH RIVIERA A celebration of all impressionists and modernists of what they called The Clarity of the Light. More than 160 works tell the story.	02/10/26	31/01/27

KING'S GALLERY	QUEEN ELIZABETH II: HER LIFE IN STYLE The style of clothing worn by the late Queen from birth onwards both informal and formal will be celebrated here in this wonderful show of 200 items. Everyone must book on line.		18/04/27
BRITISH LIBRARY	AGATHA CHRISTIE: A WORLD OF MYSTERY Her dates are 1890-1976 and her reputation relies on 66 detective novels and 15 short stories. On display will be many personal items. A must see.	30/10/26	20/06/27
COURTAULD GALLERY	SALMAN TOOR: SOMEONE LIKE YOU Born 1983 this exhibition of the New York based artist is the first in Europe. He paints people in various styles of relationships inspired by Baroque and 18th century paintings. 19 works on show.	02/10/26	10/01/27
DESIGN MUSEUM	ES DEVLIN: OTHER WORLDS The British artist and designer has her first retrospective of 30 years of practice involving sculpture, stage design, music, language and light. Shown by artworks, installations and film.	02/10/26	04/04/27
THE LIGHTROOM	DAVID BOWIE: YOU'RE NOT ALONE The Lightroom's 11-metre walls will provide iconic projection and sound. You must pre book for this immersive show.		10/01/27
WALLACE COLLECTION	WINSTON CHURCHILL: THE PAINTER The first major retrospective since his death in 1965. The show brings together more than 50 works where at least half are in private collections.		29/11/26
DULWICH PICTURE GALLERY	HOKUSAI AND MOUNT FUJI This fascinating exhibition brings together the whole cycle of 36 prints. Created by the artist between 1830-1833.	20/10/26	17/02/27
IMPERIAL WAR MUSEUM	BEAUTY AND DESTRUCTION: WARTIME LONDON IN ART See in over 45 paintings and drawings the damage inflicted. Apart from this exhibition the IWM holds a significant collection of art from both World Wars.		01/11/26

BATTERSEA POWER STATION	RAMSES AND THE PHARAOHS' GOLD – THE EXHIBITION Direct from the Egyptian Museum in Cairo are 180 relics which have never been seen in the UK until now. Pre booking required.		03/01/27
HAYWARD GALLERY	ANISH KAPOOR In their 75 years of being the Hayward have chosen this fine sculptor to celebrate it. 30 years ago Kapoor had his first ever exhibition here. Worldwide fame has followed and he is showing many iconic pieces.		18/10/26
KEW GARDENS	HENRY MOORE: MONUMENTAL NATURE A wonderful setting for Moore's large scale sculptures and with a further 90 casts, carvings, drawings, etchings and sketch books. A grand day out!		31/01/27
FRAMELESS MARBLE ARCH	A great venue to see immersive art. Originally a cinema its massive two underground floors have been transformed into five galleries capable of showing all forms of popular art on the move over floor, ceiling and walls. Running time continuous for about 24 minutes in each gallery. A nice coffee bar and shop complete the experience. To be sure of your place book on line and allow 2 hours for your visit. Thoroughly recommended.		Ongoing
SCIENCE MUSEUM	BECOMING AMERICA: HOW SCIENCE REBUILT A NATION Marking the 250 years of independence this major exhibition shows how important scientific discoveries were as a basis of forward thinking.	23/10/26	25/04/27

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