

The Art Cereal: Meet The Artist Ralph Heimans

We are delighted to welcome London-based artist, Ralph Heimans, one of today's leading portraitists, to the Club this May to talk about his outstanding career-to-date and the art of Royal portraiture.

Ralph Heimans' large-scale portraits are renowned for their innovative compositions that offer engaging narratives about his subjects and their life stories. They are informed by a creative integration of subject and context. Figures are placed in complex spatial arrangements, underpinned by an innovative use of geometry, reflection and perspective. His technical approach pays homage to the I7th Century masters of chiaroscuro, exploiting exquisite effects of light, which appear to illuminate the inner world of his subjects.

Ralph's official portrait of HM Queen Elizabeth II produced for the Diamond Jubilee in 2012 is on permanent display in Westminster Abbey, while his celebrated portraits of HRH The Duke of Edinburgh (2017) and HRH The Prince of Wales (2018) are in the Royal Collection. Other notable works are held in major international collections including The National Portrait Gallery in Washington, The National Portrait Gallery of Australia, The National History Museum of Denmark, Australia's Parliament House and The European Court in Luxembourg.

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