

The Honorary Graduate: Lubaina Himid

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Lubaina Himid is to be awarded the Honorary Degree of Doctor of Arts

Lubaina Himid is Professor of Contemporary Art at the University of Central Lancashire; living and working in Preston. During the past 30 years she has exhibited widely, both in Britain and internationally, with solo shows that include Tate St Ives, Transmission Glasgow, Chisenhale London, Peg Alston New York, St Jorgens Museum in Bergen, Spike Island Bristol, and MRAC Languedoc Roussillon Midi-Pyrénées Sérignan France. Lubaina represented Britain at the 5th Havana Biennale and has shown work at the Studio Museum in New York, Track 17 in Los Angeles, the Fine Art Academy in Vienna and the Grazer Kunstverein.

Himid's work can be found in public collections including Tate, the Victoria & Albert Museum, The Whitworth Art gallery, Arts Council England, Manchester Art Gallery, The International Slavery Museum Liverpool, The Walker Art Gallery, Birmingham City Art Gallery, Bolton Art Gallery, New Hall Cambridge and the Harris Museum and Art Gallery Preston.

Lubaina is the winner of the 2017 Turner Prize.

The Honorary Degree is awarded in recognition of Lubaina Himid's contribution to British contemporary art and advocacy of Black artists and their creativity.