

RON ARAD

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Lives and works in London, UK



AWARDS

2016

Compasso d'Oro

2014

Pillar of the Roundhouse, London

2011

London Design Medal

2010

Honorary Doctorate at Tel Aviv University

2006

The Jerusalem Prize for Arts and Letters, awarded by
Bezalel Academy of Arts and Design, Israel

2005

FX magazine Designer of the Year Award

2004

Architektur & Wohnen Designer of the Year Award

2002

Finalist of the World Technology Award for Design

2002

Royal Designer for Industry

2001

Oribe Art & Design Award, Gifu, Japan

2001

Gio Ponti International Design Award, Denver

2001

Barcelona Primavera International Award for Design
Co-winner of Perrier Jouët Selfridges Design Prize,
London

1999

Design Plus Award, Frankfurt/Main; Internationaler
Designpreis Baden-Württemberg, Design Center
Stuttgart

1994

Designer of the Year, Salon du Meuble, Paris

SELECTED PUBLIC COLLECTIONS

- Musée des Arts Décoratifs, Montreal
- Musée des Beaux Arts, Montreal
- Vitra Design Museum, Weil am Rhein
- Musée National d'Art Moderne/Centre Georges Pompidou, Paris
- Fond National d'Art Contemporain, Paris
- Musée des Arts Décoratifs, Paris
- Centre National d'Art Plastique, Paris
- Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York
- Museum of Modern Art, New York
- Museum of Fine Arts, Boston
- Museum of Fine Arts, Houston
- Victoria and Albert Museum, London
- Manchester Art Gallery, Manchester
- Design Museum, London
- Stedelijk Museum of Modern Art, Amsterdam
- Rohsska Design Museum, Gothenburg
- Powerhouse, Sydney
- Design Museum, Osaka
- Design Museum, Nürnberg
- Neue Pinakothek der Moderne, Munich
- Landesmuseum Baden-Württemberg, Stuttgart

RETROSPECTIVES

2010

Ron Arad: Restless. Barbican Art Gallery, London,
18 February–16 May

2009

Ron Arad: No Discipline. Museum of Modern Art, New
York, 2 August–19 October

2008

Ron Arad: No Discipline. Pompidou Centre, Paris,
20 November–16 March 2009

SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2023

Ron Arad: Don't Ya Tell Henri. Opera Gallery, New York, USA

Ron Arad: Dubito Ergo Cogito. Gordon Gallery, Tel Aviv, Israel

Ron Arad. Opera Gallery, Geneva, Switzerland

2021

Ron Arad: Strings, Love Songs and a Red Car. Gordon Gallery, Tel Aviv, Israel

2020

Ron Arad 69. Newlands House gallery, Petworth, UK

Ron Arad: Don't F**k With The Mouse. Over The Influence, Los Angeles, USA

2018

Ron Arad: Cuba Working Title. Over The Influence gallery, Los Angeles, USA

Ron Arad: Fishes & Crows, '85-'94. Friedman Benda, New York, USA

Ron Arad: All and Nothing. Gordon Gallery, Tel Aviv, Israel

Ron Arad: Flat Mates. Over The Influence gallery, Hong Kong, China

2017

Beautiful, Useful, Love. Grob Gallery, Geneva

2016

Ron Arad. Gary Tatintsian gallery, Moscow, Russia

Ron Arad: Summer Exhibition. Ben Brown Fine Arts, London, UK

Ron Arad: Ron Arad Rocks! Louisa Guinness Gallery, London, UK

2015

Ron Arad: in Reverse. Paul Kasmin Gallery, New York, USA

2014

Paris Motor Show. Paris, France

Ron Arad: Last Train. Ron Arad Studio, London, UK

2013

Ron Arad: in Reverse. Pinacoteca, Turin, Italy

Ron Arad: in Reverse. Design Museum, Holon, Israel

Ron Arad: Last Train. Palazzo Cavalli Franchetti, Venice, Italy

2012

Ron Arad: 720°. The Israel Museum, Jerusalem, Israel

2011

Ron Arad: Curtain Call. Roundhouse, London, UK

2009

Ron Arad. Ben Brown Fine Arts, Hong Kong, Hong Kong

Ron Arad: New Works. Timothy Taylor Gallery, London, UK

Ron Arad, Gallery Mourmans, Maastricht, Netherlands

Ron Arad. Gana Art Gallery, Seoul, South Korea

2007

Restless. Friedman Benda Gallery, New York, USA

Bodyguard. Metropol, Milan, Italy

The Dogs. Barked' de Pury & Luxembourg, Zurich, Switzerland

2006

There is no solution because there is no problem. 508 West 26 Street, New York, USA

Blo-Glo. Dolce & Gabbana, Metropol, Milan, Italy

Blo-Jobs. Gallery Mourmans, Lanaken, Belgium

2005

Paved with Good Intentions. A new installation by Ron Arad, Miami Basel, USA

Designs by Ron Arad. Indianapolis Museum of Contemporary Art, Indianapolis, USA

Ron Arad: A Retrospective Exhibition. Barry Friedman Ltd, New-York, USA

Ron Arad: New Works & Installation. Featuring Mike Figgis' film for the exhibition "In Space" Phillips, de Pury & Co., Chelsea, New-York, USA

2004

Ron Arad Fatto In Italia' as part of the Venice Biennale 9. International Exhibition of Architecture, 'Metamorph' Vincenza, Italy

Lo-rez-dolores-tabula-rasa. Galeria Marconi, Milan, Italy

2003

Ron Arad in der Galerie Stefan Vodgt. Galerie der Moderne, Munich, Germany

Ron Arad Studio Works: 1981-2003. Louisa Guinness Gallery, London, UK

Von Mensch zu Mensch. Sparda Bank, Münster, Germany

Ron Arad. Galeria Marconi, Milan, Italy

Permetre's la Llibertat. Centre d'Art Santa Monica, Barcelona, Spain

2002

Two Floors. Galeria Marconi, Milan, Italy

2001

Delight in Dedark. Galeria Marconi, Milan, Italy

2000

Not Made By Hand Not Made in China. Galeria Marconi, Milan, Italy
Before and After Now. Victoria and Albert Museum, London, UK

1998

R.T.W. Gallery of Modern Art, Glasgow, Scotland

1997

Ron Arad new acquisitions, Montreal Museum of Decorative Arts, Montreal, Canada
Ron Arad at the Powerhouse Museum, Sydney, Australia
Ron Arad and Ingo Maurer, Spazio Krizia, Milan, Italy

1996

Glasgow Festival of Architecture & Design. Glasgow, UK
Ron Arad and Ingo Maurer, Spazio Krizia, Milan, Italy

1995

Ron Arad – Gazi, Athens, Greece
The work of Ron Arad, Museum of Applied Arts, Helsinki, Finland
Ron Arad and Ingo Maurer, Triennale, Milan, Italy
'Sticks and Stones', Vitra Design Museum, Touring Exhibition 1990-1995

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2024

Chair and You. SKD, GRASSI Museum Leipzig, Leipzig, Germany
Summer Vibes. Opera Gallery, Madrid, Spain
Superlimited, 2024. Jousse Entreprise, Architect Furniture, Paris, France
Please Be Seated. Museum Of Design Atlanta, Atlanta, USA
Ron Arad & Jossef Krispel: His Latest Flame. Gordon Gallery, New York, USA

2023

Colours. Opera Gallery, Madrid, Spain
The Monaco Masters Show 2023, Opera Gallery, Monaco
Food. Design Museum Holon, Holon, Israel

2022

Tatintsian Gallery Selected. Tatintsian Gallery, Dubai, UAE
254th Royal Academy Summer Exhibition. Royal Academy Summer Exhibition, London, UK
Overdose. Design Museum Holon, Holon, Israel

1994

'L'Esprit du Nomade', Cartier Fondation, Paris, France

1993

'Breeding in Captivity' Edward Totah Gallery
'Design in the 20th Century', Grand Palais, Paris, France
'One Off and Short Runs', Centre for Contemporary Arts, (Warsaw, Krakow, Prague)

1991

'A Break with Tradition', Rohska Museum, Gothenburg, Sweden

1990

Ron Arad Recent Works, Tel Aviv Museum of Art, Israel

1987

'Nouvelles Tendences', Centre Georges Pompidou, Paris, France
'Documenta 8', Kassel, Germany

1986

'Intellectual Interiors', Seibo, Tokyo, Japan with P. Starck, R. Kawakubo, S. Kuramata

2021

253rd Royal Academy Summer Exhibition. Royal Academy Summer Exhibition, London, UK
Presentation of the contemporary collection. Centre Pompidou, Paris, France

2020

The Chair. The Page Gallery, Seoul, South Korea

2019

1989 – Culture and Politics. Nationalmuseum, Stockholm, Sweden
251st Royal Academy Summer Exhibition. Royal Academy Summer Exhibition, London, UK
Chair as an Artwork. Latvian National Museum of Arts, Riga, Latvia

2018

Cure3. Bonhams – London, London, UK

2017

The School. Jack Shainman Gallery, New York, USA
dna10. Friedman Benda, New York, USA

2016

Tudo Joia. GOMIDE & Co, São Paulo, Brazil
Drawing Room. David Nolan Gallery, New York, USA
MashUp: The Birth of Modern Culture. Vancouver Art Gallery, Vancouver, Canada
Alberto Alessi: The Beauty and the Mastery. MAKK - Museum für Angewandte Kunst Köln, Cologne, Germany

2015

Grand Opening. Opera Gallery, Paris, France

2014

Icons of Art. Opera Gallery, Monaco, Monaco
Sculptural Forms: A Century of Experiment. Manchester Art Gallery, Manchester, UK

2013

Out of Hand - Materializing the Postdigital. Museum of Arts and Design, New York, USA
Contemporary Emotion. Opera Gallery – London, London, UK

2012

Digital Crystal: Swarovski at the Design Museum. Design Museum, London, UK
Ron Arad / David Mach. Opera Gallery, Singapore

2011

Made with design and love. Galerie Sandrine Mons, Nice, France
Collector. Tri Postal, Lille, France

2010

Ideen sitzen. 50 Jahre Stuhl design. Museum für Kunst und Gewerbe (MKG), Hamburg, Germany
Nature in a Kit. MUDAC - Musée de design es d'arts appliques contemporains, Lausanne, Switzerland

2009

Esquire's Singular Suit. Somerset House, London, United Kingdom
Super Contemporary. Design Museum, London, UK
Jangja And Butterfly. Gana Art, Seoul, South Korea

2008

Sothebys - Beyond Limits. Chatsworth House Bakewell, Derbyshire, UK
Design Cities. Istanbul Modern, Istanbul, Turkey
FRANCESCO CLEMENTE + RON ARAD. Jablonka Galerie, Cologne, Germany
The Hands of Art. Stedelijk Museum voor Actuele Kunst (S.M.A.K.), Ghent, Belgium

2007

20th Century Design Art. The Columns, Seoul, South Korea

Design A-Z. Cramer Mitterrand Art Advisory, Geneva, Switzerland
DAVID LACHAPELLE + RON ARAD. Jablonka Galerie, Cologne, Germany

2006

Cor Unum - Architekten und Designer entwerfen Keramik. Hetjens-Museum - Deutsches Keramikmuseum, Dusseldorf, Germany
Strange I've Seen That Face Before - Kunst, Design, Architektur im Kopf. Städtisches Museum Abteiberg, Mönchengladbach, Germany

2005

Architecture & Design: North Gallery Rotation 2. Museum of Modern Art (MoMA), New York, USA
BIG BANG. Centre Pompidou, Paris, France

2003

Ex-press. Royal College of Art Galleries, London, UK
Intervention. John Hansard Gallery, Southampton, UK

2000

Presence De L'objet. Passage de Retz, Paris, France

1999

100 Jahre 100 Stühle. Vitra Design Museum, Weil am Rhein, Germany
Great Design - 100 Masterpieces from the Vitra Design Museum Phoenix Art Museum Phoenix, USA

1997

Chi ha paura...? (Wie is er bang voor...?) : hedendaagse sieraden. Stedelijk Museum 's-Hertogenbosch's, Hertogenbosch, Netherlands

1995

New Rose Hotel. Transmission Gallery, Glasgow, Scotland, UK

1993

(P)review. Stedelijk Museum 's-Hertogenbosch's, Hertogenbosch, Netherlands

1988

The Modern Chair. Cornerhouse, Manchester, UK
Metropolis: New British Architecture And The City. Institute of Contemporary Arts London (ICA), London, UK
The Modern Chair. Institute of Contemporary Arts London (ICA), London, UK

1987

Vessel. Serpentine Gallery, London, UK

ARCHITECTURAL PROJECTS

- Armadillo Tea Canopy – prefabricated modular enclosure (2016)
- Watergate Hotel, Washington DC, – Public Areas and Restaurants (2016)
- Beit Shulamit – cancer hospital and research centre in the north of Israel (to be completed 2019)
- D House – private residence in Tokyo (2015)
- Onion House – Prefabricated Villa, 2010 onwards
- Totseret Ha'Aretz Towers, Tel Aviv, 2010 onwards (first phase to be completed 2017)
- Vortext, public art installation, Seoul, 2009
- Ohayon Villa Marrakech (2007-);
- 154 Ha-Yarkon Street, Tel Aviv (2006-)
- Mediacite, Liege, Belgium (2009);
- Zion Square Sculpture, Jerusalem, Israel (2005-);
- Hotel at the Kristallwelten in Wattens, Austria (2004-);
- Design Museum, Holon, Israel (2010);
- Upperworld Hotel, Battersea Power Station, London (2003-);
- Y's (Yohji Yamamoto) flagship store in Roppongi Hills, Tokyo, Japan (2003);
- Hotel Puerta America, Madrid (2005);
- Hotel Duomo in Rimini, Italy (2006);
- Maserati Headquarters Showroom in Italy (2003);
- the Living room and family dining room for Sheikh Saud Al-Thani of Qatar as part of the Millennium House Project (2002-);
- the Selfridges Technology Hall in London (2001);
- the Tel Aviv Opera Foyer Architecture in Israel (1994);
- the Belgo Noord (1994) and Belgo Centraal (1995) restaurants in London;
- the development of a concept of Sport Cafes incorporating state of the art interactive A/V technology for Adidas/Kronenbourg in France (1996);
- an advanced technology private residence in London (1998);
- various gallery and exhibition designs, such as 'Winning: The Design of Sports' for the Glasgow 1999 UK City of Architecture and Design and the exhibition enclosure for Islamic Art in Doha, Qatar (2002-3);
- Ron Arad presented the winning scheme for the flagship Adidas Stadium in Paris (1995-6).

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