
HOUSE ART
BABINGTON HOUSE
SOMERSET

Introduction by Kate Bryan
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The Babington House art collection was refreshed in 2020 and features nearly 40 artworks by a mix of well-known artists and emerging talent. The collection is a celebration of local Somerset artists and the countryside around the House. The two most notable local artists have key spots in the house: Daisy Parris and Sam Taylor-Johnson. Such is the wall power of Daisy Parris' large oil painting that it is able to hold the entire Orangerie dining space. They are an artist who commands an idiosyncratic language which feels intimate yet demanding. Sam Taylor-Johnson is an internationally recognised name in both art and film, as well as a long-time neighbour of Babington House. In these large scale photographic works, she interrogates the relationship between identity and appearance, authenticity and artifice. The works are displayed on mirrors in the main bar, furthering heightening their illusionistic qualities.

In 2020, Tom Howse created a suite of drawings after spending time at Babington House. A quiet love letter to the buildings and landscape, Howse captured the site in his characterful undone style. Displayed as a full salon wall in the Library, they are an alternative take on the British tradition of country house portraits. Three drawings by Peter Blake, which he produced during his stay at the House one Christmas, are also now on display. Peter Matthews' mixed-medium piece hangs in the entrance hall, incorporating items you might find on a country walk, including clay, thread, oil and earth.

Cover artwork (detail) by Daisy Parris
in Babington House

Artworks by Santo Tolone, Max Wade and Aaron Angell
in Babington House



Full list of collection artists:

Aaron Angell
Charming Baker
Anthony Banks
Hernan Bas
Peter Blake
Christopher Bucklow
Charlotte Edey
Ines Fernandez de Cordova
Nettle Grellier
Lewis Hammond
Dawn Harverson
Alma Haser
Gary Hume
Tom Howse
Mark Karasick
Aidan Koch
Jennifer Keeler-Milne
Lauren Keeley
Kimberly Klauss
Peter Matthews
Jonathan McCree
Alek O.
Daisy Parris
Polly Ruffman
Gina Soden
Amy Stephens
Sam Taylor-Johnson
Santo Tolone
Max Wade

Artist

Ground floor
Reception

1. Peter Matthews

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Ground floor
Library

1-10. Tom Howse

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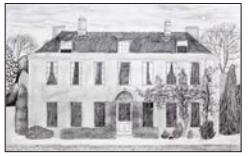
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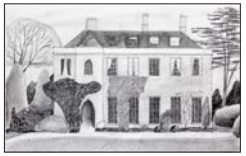
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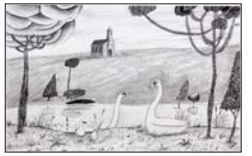
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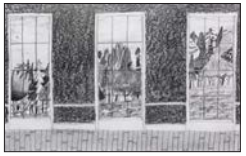
Ground floor
Library

11-19. Tom Howse

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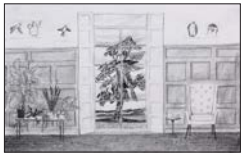
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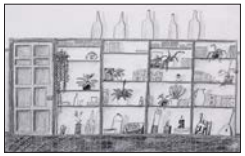
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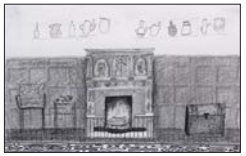
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Ground floor
Games room

Artists

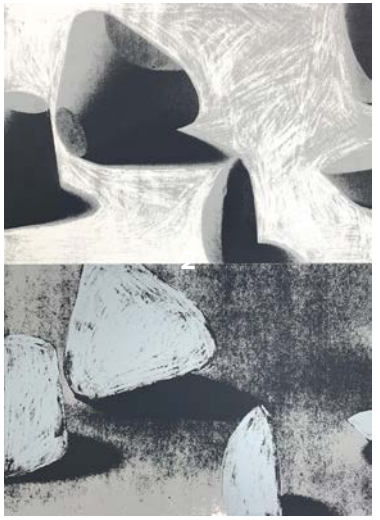
1. Santo Tolone
2. Max Wade
3. Aaron Angell

4. Ines Fernandez de Cordova

1 **2** **3**



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Ground floor
Central corridor

1 & 2. Alma Haser

3. Lewis Hammond
4. Kimberly Klauss

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Artist

Ground floor
Central corridor

5. Dawn Harverson
6-8. Peter Blake

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Ground floor
Bar

Artist

1-2. Sam Taylor-Johnson

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Artist

Ground floor
Bar

3. Christopher Bucklow

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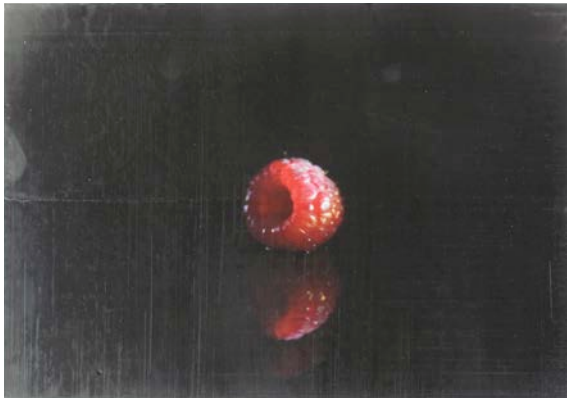


Artist

Ground floor
Corridor

1 & 2. Mark Karasick

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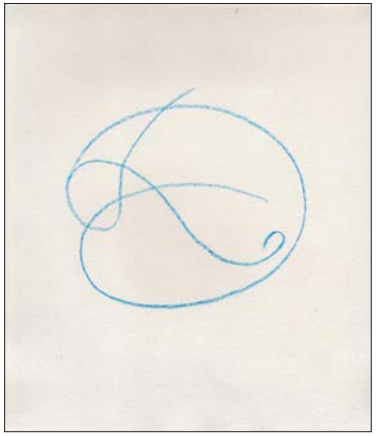


Ground floor
Corridor

3 & 4. Charlotte Edey

5. Charming Baker

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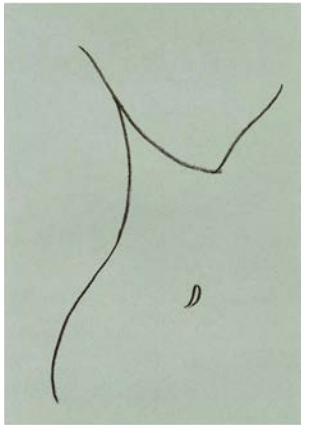


Artist

Ground floor
Dining room

1 & 2. Gary Hume

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STUDY IN BLACK
Rickey Laurentiis

There's a wind in the grass —
Is there here
a boat's mast claiming my lonely night too?
I see the stars
can't be called *hanged*, exactly,
just *hanging down*,
not over emptiness, but honest ground,
the moon trying the black skin of this river, black corpse...
But, even plainer —
I wonder if these words, my words,
will ever bring me fame.
I have my age, my injuries. They limit me.
I'm like some spook bird
I know, solo and roped between
where rotting happens and a sky.

Ground floor
Dining room

3. Tom Howse

4. Jonathan McCree

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Artist

Ground floor
Orangerie

1. Daisy Parris

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Ground floor
Log room

Artists

1. Jennifer Keeler-Milne
2. Lauren Keeley

3. Hernan Bas

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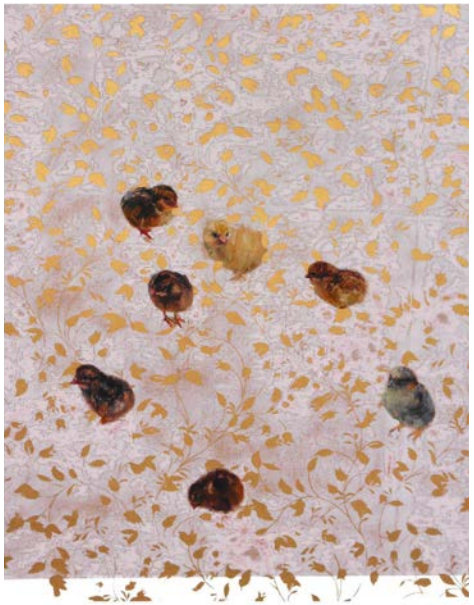


Ground floor
Corridor

1. Charming Baker

2 & 3. Nettle Grellier

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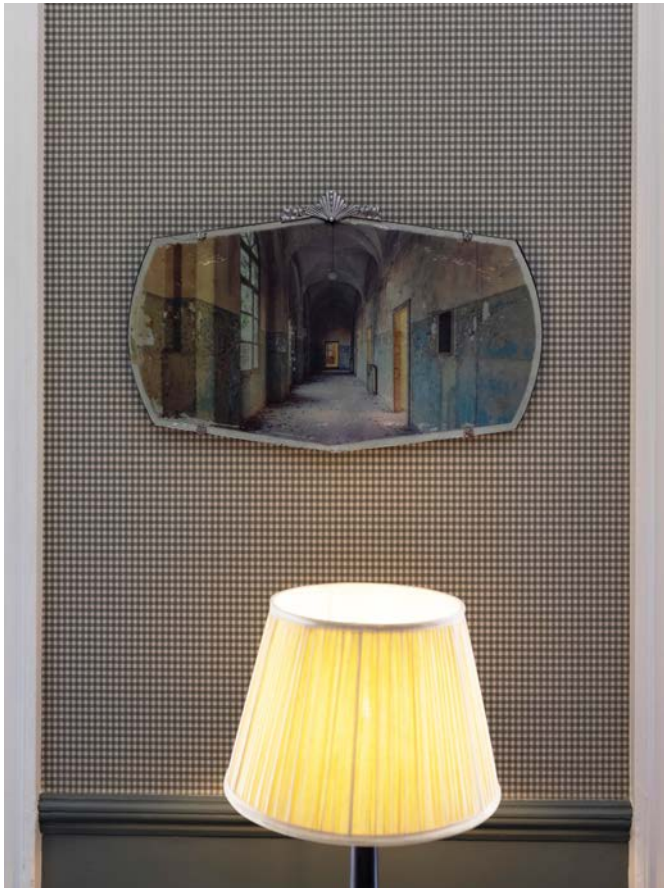


Artist

Ground floor
Study

1. Gina Soden

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Artist

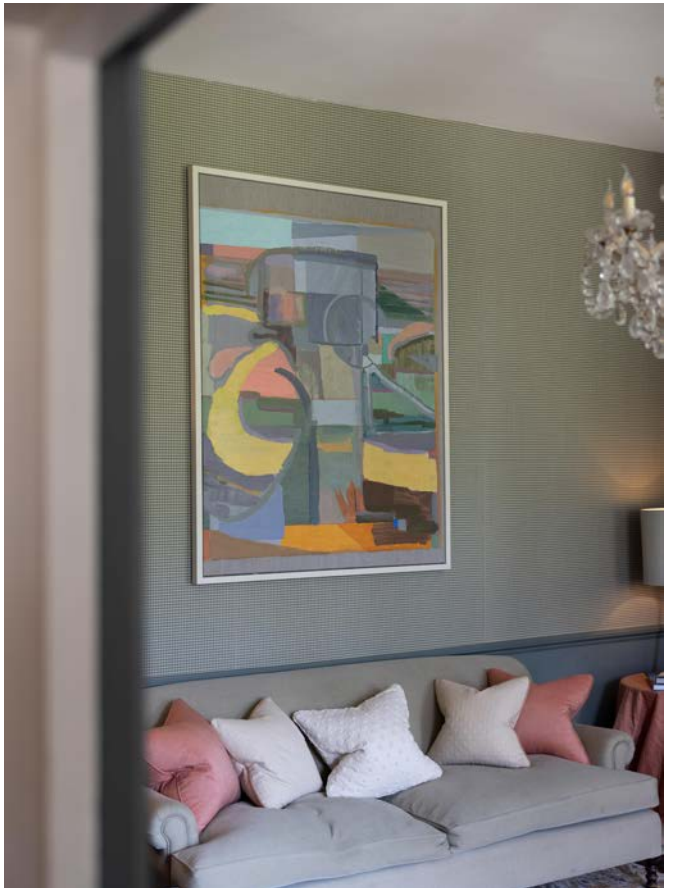
Ground floor
Study

2 & 3. Anthony Banks

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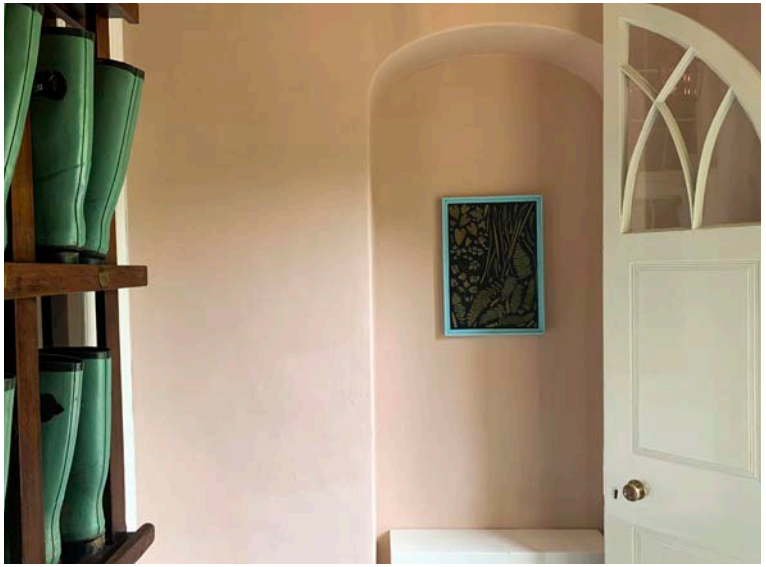


Artist

Ground floor
Boot room

1. Alek O.

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Artist

Grounds
Croquet lawn

1. Amy Stephens

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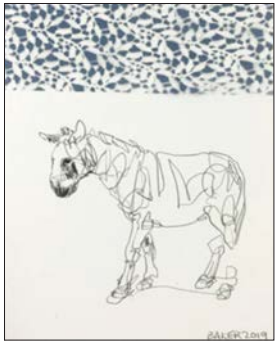


Bedrooms
Each room includes one or more works by these artists

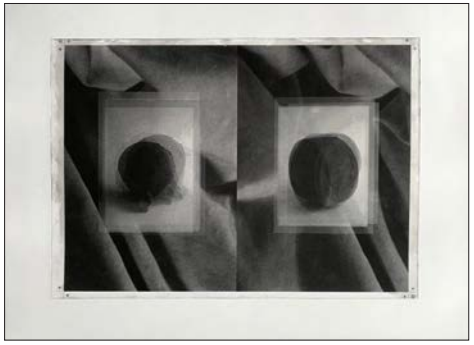
Artists

1. Charming Baker
2. Ines Fernandez De Cordova
3. Aidan Koch
4. Gina Soden
5. Polly Ruffman

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Artwork by Anthony Banks
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ART COLLECTION