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PRESS RELEASE

## Phillips to Host The Sovereign Art Foundation Students Prize Finalist's Exhibition 2021

Exhibition to go on View in Phillips Berkeley Square Galleries  
Alongside New Now this December



Image: Lines of Experience by Archibald McCombie  
Courtesy of the artist and The Sovereign Art Foundation

LONDON – 15 November 2021 – Phillips is proud to partner with [The Sovereign Art Foundation \(SAF\)](#) this December to present the second edition of the [The Sovereign Art Foundation Students Prize, London](#). Established in 2012, The Sovereign Art Foundation (SAF) Students Prize is an annual award designed to celebrate the importance of art in the education system and recognise the quality of artworks produced by secondary school students citywide and this year it is generously supported by [Praemium](#). As official venue partner of The Sovereign Art Foundation (SAF) Students Prize, Phillips will host the 20 shortlisted artworks in a Finalists Exhibition at Phillips London headquarters at 30 Berkeley Square, where it will run alongside New Now from 2 – 9 December 2021.

**Tamila Kerimova, Specialist, Director, Head of Day Sale, 20th Century & Contemporary Art**, said: “Phillips is delighted to partner with The Sovereign Art Foundation and honoured to host the London Students Prize Finalists’ exhibition for the second year in a row. The aim of our ongoing partnership is to celebrate the importance of art in

schools and to support the Sovereign Art Foundation in their endeavours to champion young artists through the Student Prize. At Phillips, our goal is to discover and showcase extraordinary art and a huge part of that is encouraging the next generation to continue to nurture their creativity. As we saw in the exhibition last year, secondary-school students produce exceptional high-quality art, and their talents should be recognised and commended so they feel confident to pursue their passion for art. We look forward to welcoming visitors to view the Students Prize Finalists exhibition alongside our New Now auction highlights in our galleries on Berkeley Square this December.”

**Ben Lester, Head of Distribution, UK and International at Praemium**, commented on their support of the prize: “We strive to create a work environment where talent is nurtured and expression in all its forms is celebrated at Praemium. So, we’re delighted to support the Sovereign Art Foundation Students Prize London 2021 in nurturing and showcasing the incredible talent of London’s young artists. It’s an honour to be involved.”

Secondary schools across London were invited to nominate their best art students to digitally submit artworks to the competition. The finalists were selected from 136 entries by a judging panel comprising professionals from different facets of the art world, an exciting panel of judges including **Caroline Walker**, [Visual Artist](#), **Eugenio Re Rebaudengo**, Founder of [ARTUNER](#), **Howard Bilton**, Founder and Chairman of [SAF](#), **Hugo Wilson**, English [Artist and Sculptor](#), [Idris Khan](#), contemporary [British artist](#), **Kamiar Maleki**, Director of [Volta Art Fairs](#), **Melanie Gerlis**, Art market columnist for the [Financial Times](#), and **Tamila Kerimova**, Specialist, Director, Head of Day Sale, 20th Century & Contemporary Art, Phillips.

The overall winner of The Sovereign Art Foundation Students Prize, London 2021 will be determined when the judging panel examine the shortlisted works in person at the Finalists Exhibition; selecting one student to be awarded the Judges’ Prize trophy and £800 (their school art department will receive £2,000). To boost public engagement and increase exposure for the students, exhibition visitors are also invited to cast a vote for their favourite finalist artwork to receive a Public Vote Prize trophy and £400 (and their school £1,000). Online votes will also be accepted from the general public via [web gallery](#) with voting closing at 18:00hrs GMT on 6 December 2021. Furthermore, students can opt to enter their works into a silent auction - the proceeds of which are split between the artist and Foundation. This year SAF have selected [Place 2 Be](#), a children’s mental health charity, to receive any funds raised.

SAF runs ten Student Prizes around the world, the first of which was established in 2012 in Hong Kong, followed by Bahrain, Gibraltar, Guernsey, the Isle of Man, Malta, Mauritius, Portugal and Singapore. The winners from London will go up against the winners from the other prizes in contention for the Global Students Prize.

### Visiting Information

Exhibition period:	2 –9 December 2021
Opening hours:	Monday – Saturday, 10am–6pm; Sunday, 12pm-6pm
Venue:	Phillips, 30 Berkeley Square, London, W1J 6EX
Admission:	Free

### Press Kit

[Click here](#) to view and download the artwork images. *All images please credit the artist and The Sovereign Art Foundation.*

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## Finalists of The Sovereign Art Foundation Students Prize, London 2021

Artists name	Artwork name	School
Alicia Allan Padilla	Lockdown Dreams	Canada Blanch, Spanish School London
Archibald McCombie	Lines of Experience	Dulwich College
Dellilah Jamal	Utamaduni	St Paul's Way Trust School
Ella Mash	In Bed (after Paula Rego)	The West London Free School
Elsa LaFollette	Underground	Southbank International
Emilio Nunzi	Mind's Eye	Dulwich College
Fasihah Haseeb	Carving Memories	Oaklands Secondary School
Georgios Pavlibeyi	Visions of Tomorrow	Monoux College
Hanna Aicha Belalia	Do not go gently	Trinity Church of England School, Lewisham
India Dale	In the Bath (after Marat)	The West London Free School
Jasmine Lambert	A Pause in Fertility	Kew House School
John Abboodass	City Lines	Dulwich College
Luisa Valeriani	Ghost	The West London Free School
Margaux Murray	Unseen Toll	Kew House School
Masud Alao	Diffuse	Dulwich College
Monty Hunt	Rainbow	The West London Free School
Nephele Jepras	Hands. Face. Space: Fragmented memory, love and loss	Kingsdale Foundation School
Phoebe Simeonides	Girl, unfinished	Kingsdale Foundation School
Selina Castillo-Velez	Inside Out	The West London Free School
Viviana Gelasia Hoare	Lady of Fruit	Chestnut Grove Academy

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## **The Sovereign Art Foundation**

The Sovereign Art Foundation (SAF) is a charitable organisation that was founded in 2003 with a well-defined twin focus: to recognise the growing wealth of contemporary art talent in Asia and bring the proven benefits of expressive arts to disadvantaged children.

In the same year, SAF launched The Sovereign Asian Art Prize, now recognised as the most established and prestigious annual art award in Asia-Pacific. The Prize increases the international exposure of artists in the region, whilst raising funds by auctioning shortlisted artworks and sharing proceeds equally between the participating artists and SAF. SAF uses these proceeds to fund programmes that support disadvantaged children using expressive arts. This model has so far raised US\$10 million for artists and charities worldwide.

In 2013, SAF launched Make It Better (MIB), an initiative that supports children from low-income backgrounds and with special educational needs in Hong Kong. MIB works in local schools and community centres to offer children a programme of expressive arts workshops designed to build self-esteem, confidence, self-awareness and interpersonal skills. SAF also supports teachers, social workers and caregivers of these children by introducing them to the therapeutic benefits of art.

[SovereignArtFoundation.com](http://SovereignArtFoundation.com)

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