

JOHN KØRNER

Born 1967 in Aarhus, Denmark

Lives and works in Copenhagen, Denmark

Education

1998 Royal Danish Academy of Fine Arts, Copenhagen, Denmark

Solo Exhibitions

- 2025 *Venice Lido Lights*, Victoria Miro, Venice, Italy
Apple Opal, Oluf Høst Museet, Gudhjem, Denmark
- 2024 *John Kørner: CRAZY AWAKE*, Kunsten Museum of Modern Art Aalborg, Aalborg, Denmark
- 2023 *Water Running Results*, Patricia Low Contemporary, Gstaad, Switzerland
Environmental Portraits, Keteleer Gallery, Antwerp, Belgium
John Kørner, Galleri Bo Bjerggaard, Copenhagen, Denmark
- 2022 *Cosmopolitan Super Fruits*, Victoria Miro, London, UK
Liquids and Lights, Helsinki Contemporary, Helsinki, Finland
- 2021 *Intercontinental Super Fruits*, MOCAD - Museum of Contemporary Art Detroit, Detroit, Michigan, USA
John Kørner: Understanding the Impact of Architecture, Danish Architecture Center, Copenhagen, Denmark
- 2020 *John Kørner - Crazy Watermelon Shipping*, Galleri Bo Bjerggaard, Copenhagen, Denmark
John Kørner - Open the Door, Keeteler Gallery, Antwerp, Belgium
- 2019 *John Kørner: Running Box*, Konsthall 16 / Riksidrottsmuseum, Stockholm, Sweden
Life in a Box, Victoria Miro, London, UK
Graphic Works, Ekely, Galleri Bo Bjerggaard, Copenhagen, Denmark
- 2018 *Space Train*, Helsinki Contemporary, Helsinki, Finland
John Kørner: Problems in Perspective, Deweer Gallery, Belgium
Tripoli – Lampedusa, Museum Emma, Espoo, Finland
Running Problems, Museum Dhondt Dhaenens, Deurle, Belgium
- 2017 *Blue Bedroom*, Galleri Bo Bjerggaard, Copenhagen, Denmark
Altid Mange Problemer, Charlottenborg, Copenhagen, Denmark
- 2016 *Life Attacks You*, Brandts, Odense, Denmark
Apple Bombs, Victoria Miro, London, UK
Outdoor Struggling, Museum Belvedere, Heerebveen - Oranjewoud, Netherlands
Grafisk Konst Från Atalja Larsen: John Kørner, (Graphic Art from Atelje Larsen), Dunkers Kulturhus, Helsingborg, Sweden
Graphic Works 1996-2015, Mukeruphus, Dronningmølle, Denmark
Graphic Works 1996-2015, Vejle Kunstmuseum, Vejle, Denmark

Victoria Miro

- 2015 *Grafik 1996-2015 (Graphic Works)*, Kastupgårdsamlingen, Kastrup, Denmark
Grafik 1996-2015 (Graphic Works), Odsherred Kunstmuseum, Asneæs, Denmark
- 2013 *Familien (Family)*, Galleri Bo Bjerggaard, Copenhagen, Denmark
Fallen Fruit from Frisland, Victoria Miro, London, UK
CAUGHT, HEART, Herning Museum of Contemporary Art, Herning, Denmark
- 2012 *SEX, IMO projects*, Copenhagen, Denmark
- 2011 *Women for Sale*, The Workers' Museum, Copenhagen, Denmark
- 2009 *The New Museums*, Gallery Christian Larsen, Stockholm, Sweden
Work Out, Patricia Low Contemporary, Gstaad, Switzerland
Jacob, Sebastian, Benjamin, Jacob and Dan, Andersen's Contemporary, Berlin, Germany
- 2008 *War problems*, Victoria Miro Gallery, London, UK
- 2006 *Woman with 24 problems – Exhibition of graphical works*, Politikens Galleri, Copenhagen, Denmark
2006 Problems, Victoria Miro, London, UK
AROS Bank, ARos, Aarhus Kunstmuseum, Aarhus, Denmark
- 2005 *den 1:a på Moderna*, Moderna Museet, Stockholm, Sweden
5 Problems, Galleri Stefan Andersson, Umeå, Sweden
Kunsthall, Københavns Kunsthall, Copenhagen, Denmark
Den Femte, Første Til Venstre, Copenhagen, Denmark
Statements, Art Basel, Basel, Switzerland
- 2004 *The Problem of Performing*, Kunstforeningen Gl. Strand, Copenhagen, Denmark
SUPERDANISH, Toronto, Canada
The Design of Productions, Gallery Maze, Torino, Italy
- 2003 *CONSTRUCTION SETS – works on paper*, Galleri Christina Wilson, Copenhagen, Denmark
Galleri Stefan Andersson, Umeå, Sweden
The Greenland Problem, Herning Museum of Art, Herning, Denmark
- 2002 *Be On Show*, Galleri Christina Wilson, Copenhagen, Denmark
POST, Galleri Franz Pedersen, Horsens, Denmark
Den Fantastiske Udvej (The Fantastic Way Out), Albertslund Rådhus, Albertslund, Denmark
- 2001 *Teater*, Århus Museum of Art – Project-room-installation, Århus, Denmark
- 2000 *Dig Og John's Engagement*, Galleri Søren Houmann, Copenhagen, Denmark
- 1999 *Jeg Taler Til Jer (I am Talking to You)*, Museumsbygningen Kunstauktioner, Copenhagen, Denmark
Street Sharks, Kørnors Kontor (Kørnors Office), Copenhagen, Denmark
- 1998 *Slappe dig Og Andre Intentioner (Relaxed You and Other Intentions)*, Blegdamsvej 18, Copenhagen, Denmark
Problem, Galleri Phønix, Copenhagen, Denmark

Victoria Miro

- 1997 *Slap A (Relax)*, Kørnens Kontor (Kørnens Office), Copenhagen, Denmark
- 1995 *Glæde og Harmoni (Joy and Harmony)*, Rådskælderen, Charlottenborg, Copenhagen, Denmark

Group Exhibitions

- 2025 *Nordic noir works on paper from Edvard Munch to Mamma Andersson*, British Museum, London, UK
Victoria Miro: 40 Years, Victoria Miro, London, UK
- 2024 *Artists' Picks*, Galleri Bo Bjerggaard, Copenhagen, Denmark
- 2021 *Work it Out*, Kunsten, Museum of Modern Art Aalborg, Aalborg, Denmark
The Sky was Blue, The Sea was Blue, The Boy was Blue, Victoria Miro Gallery, London, UK (online)
- 2020 *Group show*, Keteleer Gallery, Antwerp, Belgium
- 2019 *Collector's Room #20: Just Paintings*, Deweer Art Gallery, Otegem, Belgium
BIG Art, Kunsthal Charlottenborg, Copenhagen, Denmark
Schöne Sentimenten, Museum Dhondt-Dhaenens, Deurle, Belgium
- 2018 *Blå (Blue)*, BORCHs Butik Copenhagen, Copenhagen, Denmark
Furniture by Artists Chair, Chair, Chair, Lamp, Table, Bed, Sofa, David Risley Gallery, Copenhagen, Denmark
- 2017 *House Work*, Victoria Miro, London, UK
Cool, calm and collected, ARos Aarhus Kunstmuseum, Aarhus, Denmark
NOWHERELAND, Galerie Utopia/ The Lightbox, Athens, Greece
Owners Choice, Galleri Bo Bjerggaard, Copenhagen, Denmark
Wonderful World, Galleri Bo Bjerggaard, Copenhagen, Denmark
- 2016 *Allez les Bleus*, Galleri Bo Bjerggaard, Copenhagen, Denmark
- 2015 *Natur Encounters*, J. F. Willumsens Museum, Frederikssund, Denmark
Collection and Contemporary, Skagens Museum, Skagen, Denmark
Stone Talking/ Der Stein Spricht, Lyonel Feininger Galerie, Germany
- 2014 *Psycho Futurism*, Scandinavian Institute, New York, USA
Contemporary Art from Denmark, European Central Bank, Frankfurt am Main, Germany
HAR/ NU (Here/ Now), Artipelag, Stockholm, Sweden
Fluid Flesh, Nordic Contemporary, Paris, France
- 2013 *FLORA DANICA*, Geological Museum, Copenhagen, Denmark
CHICKEN OR BEEF: A Transcontinental Survey of Figurative Painting, The Hole, New York, USA
ABENDLAND, Produzentengalerie, Hamburg, Germany
- 2012 *RECOLLECTIONS - of Willumsen*, Galleri Bo Bjerggaard, Copenhagen, Denmark
The Garden of Eden, Palais De Tokyo, Paris, France
Involver, Socle du Monde, HEART, Herning Museum of Contemporary Art, Herning, Denmark
- 2011 *Under Pressure – master prints from Atelje Larsen*, Helsingborg, Sweden
Project Skagen 2011, Gl. Skagen, Denmark

Victoria Miro

Produzione, Skovsnogen, Kibæk, Denmark
The Forgotten Years 2007-2011, Hamburger Bahnhof, Berlin, Germany

- 2010 *In the Company of Alice*, Victoria Miro, London, UK
1st Berlin Kreuzberg Biennale for Contemporary Art, Berlin, Germany
The Green Valley Disaster, Tate, London, UK
Mit Museum (My Museum), KUNSTEN, Aalborg, Denmark
Best of Wonderland, WAS, Copenhagen, Denmark
Things That Matter a Lot, Galleri Christoffer Egelund, Copenhagen, Denmark
The Forgotten Bar, Galerie im Regierungsviertel, Berlin, Germany
- 2009 *Circus Hein*, Atelier Calder, France
Hernig Art Museum, Denmark
- 2008 *ROOMING IN!* Patricia Low Contemporary, Gstaad, Switzerland
Frelst Fiktion, Museum of Religious Art, Lemvig, Denmark
Emergency Room, Galerie Taïss, Paris, France
The Forgotten Bar Project, Galerie Im Regierungsviertel, Berlin, Germany
U-Turn Quadriennial for Contemporary Art, Copenhagen, Denmark
Auto Stop, Malmö Kunsthall, Sweden
FROM THOUGHT TO ACTION Open air exhibition, Roskilde Festival/ V1Gallery, Denmark
Socle du Monde, Herning Kunstmuseum, Herning, Denmark
Andersens Wohnung Revisited (1996-1999), Andersen's Contemporary Berlin, Germany
Danskjävlar - a Swedish Declaration of Love, Kunsthall Charlottenborg, Copenhagen, Denmark
Carnegie Art Award 2008, Scandinavia/ EU
- 2007 *Lys over Lolland (Light over Lolland)*, Oreby Castle, Oreby, Denmark
Star of Africa Diamond, Patricia Low Gallery, Gstaad, Switzerland
[natúrligvis], Nordens Hus, Faroe Islands, Denmark
MAD LOVE –ung kunst i danske privatsamlinger (Young Danish Art in Private Collections) Arken
Museum of Modern Art, Ishøj, Denmark
5 years anniversary show, Galleri Christina Wilson, Copenhagen, Denmark
Oprør i skoven, Koh-i-noor, Copenhagen, Denmark
Happy Believers, 7. Werkleitz Biennale, Halle, Germany
- 2006 *GPH KUNSTHAL_Gentennale - 700 % PLUS*, Kbh Kunsthall, Copenhagen, Denmark
MALERHJERNE! Ungt dansk maleri ("PAINTER'S BRAIN!" Young Danish Painting), Arken Museum of
Modern Art, Ishøj, Denmark
Bjerger i dansk kunst –fra Willumsen til Parfyme, (Mountains in Danish Art –from
Willumsen to Parfyme) Herning Kunstmuseum, Denmark
Goldiggers, Patricia Low Contemporary, Gstaad, Switzerland
Painting as Presence, Künstlerhaus Bethanien, Berlin & Taidehalli, Helsinki, Finland
- 2004 *Painting 2004*, Gallery Victoria Miro, London, UK
Momentum, Moss 2004, Moss, Norway
- 2002 *Stop for a moment – Painting as Presence*, Wäinö Altonen Artmuseum, Finland and Arken
Museum of Modern Art, Denmark
Carnegie Art Award 2002, Scandinavia/ EU
Collection of Arken Museum of Modern Art, Borås Konstmuseum, Borås, Sweden

Victoria Miro

- 2001 *Scandorama*, Galleri Art Box Århus, Denmark
Wonderful Copenhagen, Stadtgalerie Kiel, Kiel, Germany
- 2000 *Den Fantastiske Udvej (The Fantastic Way Out)*, Albertslund Rådhus, Albertslund, Denmark
Carnegie Art Award 2000, Scandinavia/ EU

Awards and Grants

- 2015 Dannebrogordenen, Denmark
- 2013 Residency ISCP New York, Kunststyrelsen
Ny Carlsbergfondets Rejseleget
- 2012 Vilhelm Pachts Kunstnerlegat, Akademirådet
Eckersberg Medallien
Kunstkritikerprisen
- 2008 Carnegie Art Award
- 2006 Honorary grant, Niels Wessel Bagge's Arts Foundation
- 2003 3-year working grant, The Danish Arts Foundation
- 2000 Carnegie Art Award

Film

- 2013 *Jeg taler til Jer, Jorgen*, Leth
- 2011 *Regnbueaber*, Martin De Thurah & John Kørner
- 2007 *My Seven Best Paintings*, Container Productions & Tyk Film Aps

Public Art Commissions & Decorations

- 2025 *Woman with 24 Problems*, Palæstinas Plads on Nørrebro, Copenhagen, Denmark
- 2018 Mural at University of Aarhus, HKH Kronprins Frederik Center for Public Leadership, Denmark, Ny Carlsbergfondet.
Mural, Det Gamle Rådhus, Aabenraa, Denmark
- 2017 Decoration of Storstroms Faengsel (prison)
Annual graphic work for Heartland Festival, Denmark
- 2016 Mural *Life Attacks You*, at the State Prison, Falster, Denmark
Scenography for the play *Griskhed (Greed)*, Republique Theatre, Copenhagen, Denmark
Four Sculptures for Nakskov 750 year's anniversary, Nakskov, Denmark

Victoria Miro

- Reumert statuette, Reumert Awards 2016
- 2015 Reumert statuette, Reumert Awards 2015
- 2014 Reumert statuette, Reumert Awards 2014
Holbaek art, mural in Holbaek, Denmark
- 2011 Altarpiece, Østerhåb Kirke, Horsens, Denmark
Decoration at Risskov upper secondary school, Århus, Denmark
- 2009-10 Decoration at Fredrik VIII's Royal Palace, Copenhagen
- 2007-08 Decoration at The Royal Danish Playhouse, Copenhagen
- 2006 *Woman with 24 Problems* (Mural), Amagerbro Metrostation, Copenhagen
Mural, Tjørringhus, Herning, Denmark
- 2005 Interior decoration, The Court in Randers, Denmark

Public Appointments & Teaching Posts

- 2010 Museum of art in public places, Køge, Denmark, artist talk with filmmaker Jørgen Leth
- 2010-13 Rijksakademie, Amsterdam, The Netherlands, guest teacher / workshop
Royal Academy of Arts, London, England
Goldsmiths, London, England, guest teacher / workshop,
De Ateliers, Amsterdam, The Netherlands
- 2008 The Royal Akademie of Fine Arts, Copenhagen, Denmark, temporary position
Art Academy, Düsseldorf, Germany, guest teacher
Helsinki Academy of Fine Arts, Finland, guest teacher / workshop
- 2005 Arken Museum of Modern Art, Ishøj, Denmark
- 2002 Member of The Danish Art Council
- 2001-2 Boardmember, Kunsthall Charlottenborg, Copenhagen, Denmark

Selected Press

- 2023 ArtReview, Hebert, Martin, *What Good Is a Paintbrush in the Climate Crisis?*, 3 May
- 2020 Elephant, *A Problem, Shared*, Print, Summer 2020
- 2019 Elephant, *Why do Artists want to get us drunk?*, 20 Feb
Londonist, Khan, *Tabish, Tiny people and an overweight car: London's biggest exhibitions on right now reviewed*, 12 March
Ross, Trine, Politiken, *John Kørner kaster sig over landskabsmaleriet*, 19 March
Wallpaper*, *John Kørner tackling the British sports of cycling, running and drinking*, 5 February

Victoria Miro

- Wall Street International, *John Kørner*, 6 February
- 2017 Artland, *Kørner, we have a problem*, 17 June
Norman Copenhagen, *John Kørner Exhibition at Kunsthal Charlottenborg*, 4 July
- 2016 Artsy, *Apples Drop like Bombs in John Kørner's Dreamlike Paintings*, 25 April
Garage Magazine [online] *Victoria Miro presents "Apple Bombs"*, 12 April
Wallpaper* *Fallen Fruit: Victoria Miro Presents John Kørner's 'Apple Bombs'*, 8 April
City AM Bespoke, Steve Dinneen, *John Kørner's land of milks and honey*, April
- 2014 Politiken, Dorte Hygum Sørensen, Knud Romer og John Kørners ABC, 3 June
Politiken, Keld Hybel, Boligforening vil ikke have kønshår på gavlen, 4 November
DR K tv, Kunstnermøde: Bo Bech og John Kørner, 6 January
DR K tv, Mikkel Munch Fals, John Kørner I Mikkels atelier, 19 September
- 2013 Louisiana Channel, Christian Lund, How we behave, video interview
DR, P1 radio, Bagstiv billedkunstner
Børsen, Bente Scavenius, Fanget I sin verden af kunst, 10 May
Trine Ross, interview med John Kørner i New York, 11 October
Information, Michael Jeppesen, Fat Bønnetæppet radikale, 07 July
Politiken, Lone Theils, Kørners nye London udstilling er temmelig dumdristig, 21 January
Weekendavisen, Fred med kunsten, 11 January
Kristelig Dagblad, Dorte Washuus, Når kunst spærres inde 4 May
Kunsten.nu, Lisbeth Bonde, Spooky og sprællevende
Kunsten.nu, ugens kunstner, 8 May
- 2012 Kopenhagen, Camilla Bøjesen Schmit-Andersen
Kunstkritikk, Pernille Albrechtsen, Kunstkritikerpris til John Kørner og Skulpturi, 16 May
- 2011 DR K tv, Michael Jeppesen, Kunstrazzia, 11 January
Politiken, Trine Ross, *Kørners kvinder er til salg*, 3 September
- 2009 The Observer, Imogen Carter, *In memoriam for great Danes*, 18 January
Time Out, Sally O'Reilly, *John Kørner*, 8 – 14 January
- 2008 The Sum, Malene Vest Hansen, *John Kørner: Plenty of problems*, Issue #3
Frieze, Lars Bang Larsen, *U-Turn Quadriennial for Contemporary Art*, November/December
Politiken, Camilla Høy-Jensen, *Interview: Danmark i krig*, 6 September
Berlingske Tidende. Kørners Farve, *Nilo Zand*, 26 October
- 2007 Flash Art, Angela Rosenberg: *John Kørner*, January/February issue
- 2006 Weekendavisen, Lisbeth Bonde: *Chagall på cykel*, 8 December
Time Out, Helen Sumpter, *John Kørner*, 6 December
Børsen, Bente Scavenius, *Den velhavende gule bank* 16 October
Politiken, Birger Thøgersen, *En særling slår igennem*, 24 June
- 2004 Weekendavisen, Lisbeth Bonde, Håndværkerkunst: Folkekunstner og avantgardist, 19 November
- 1999 Politiken, Trine Ross, Ateliersamtaler: En eftertænksom fætter, 26 September

Bibliography

- 2018 *Running Problems*, exh. cat. Museum Dhondt-Dhaenens. (Sint-Martens-Latem: Museum Dhondt-Dhaenens, 2018)
John Kørner (Copenhagen: Roulette Russe, 2018)
- 2017 Elderton, Louisa, Morrill, Rebecca, *Vitamin C: clay + ceramic in contemporary art*. (London; New York, NY: Phaidon Press, 2021. © 2017)
- 2016 John Kørner / Maleri, (Copenhagen: Forlaget Bjerregaard, 2016)
- 2015 *John Kørner – Graphic Works 1996-2015*, (Denmark: Narayan Press, 2015)
- 2014 *ABC, in collaboration with Knud Romer*, (Germany: Carlsen, 2014)
- 2013 *Fallen Fruit from Frisland*, exh. cat. Victoria Miro Gallery (London: Victoria Miro Gallery, 2013)
Caught, exh. cat. Herning Museum of Contemporary Art (HEART) (Copenhagen: HEART, 2013)
- 2012 *John Kørner*, (Mexico City: Lubok Verlag, 2012)
- 2011 *Women for Sale*, The Workers' Museum
- 2009 *War Problems*, Graphic Works, Atelje Larsen
- 2008 Miligan, Becky, *War Problems*, exh. cat. Victoria Miro Gallery (London: Victoria Miro, 2008)
- 2006 Andrews, Max ed., *Problems*, exh. cat. Victoria Miro Gallery, London (London: Victoria Miro, 2006)
Aros Bank, (København: Container, 2006)
- 2004 *The Problem of Performing*, (Copenhagen: Gl. Strand, 2004)
- 2003 *Guide to The Greenland Problem*, exh. cat. Herning Kunstmuseum. (Copenhagen: Container, 2003)
John Kørner: a Modern Problem (Copenhagen: Container, 2003)
- 2002 *Carnegie Art Award 2002* (Stockholm: Negie Art Award Publishing, 2002)
- 2001 Sørensen, Jens Erik and Peter Brix Søndergaard [et. Al.], *Take Off 20:01: unge danske kunstnere*, exh. cat. Århus Kunstmuseum, Århus, Denmark (Aarhus: Aarhus Kunstmuseum, 2001)
- 1999 *The Fantastic Way Out*, Space poetry
Jeg Taler til Jer, Museumsbygningen

Public Collections

Arken, Museum of Modern Art, Denmark,
ARoS, Århus Museum of Art, Denmark,
The British Museum, London, UK
HEART - Herning Museum of Contemporary Art, Herning, Denmark
Moderna Museet, Stockholm, Sweden

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National Gallery of Canada - Musée des beaux-arts du Canada, Canada

National Gallery of Denmark, Copenhagen, Denmark

Royal Museum of Fine Arts, Copenhagen, Denmark

Rubell Family Collection, Miami, USA

Saxo Collection, Saxo Bank, Copenhagen, Denmark

Statens museum for kunst – SMK, Denmark

Tate Gallery, London, UK

The Saatchi Collection, London, UK

Wilfried Cooreman Collection, Belgium