

Masters of Art and Sport

Artist Name: Phillippe Aird
British Painter: 1961 - 2015

The late International Northern Artist Phillippe Aird worked and lived in Manchester. As a teenager he was taught by world-famous Salford artist L.S. Lowry, who recognising his precocious artistic talents encouraged him to enrol at Salford College of Art.

Phillippe's inventiveness and unstoppable creativity won him a scholarship to the Chelsea College of Art & Design, where he was able to experiment with a number of different media, going on to win the Timeout sponsored International Video Festival in 1982. With this sponsorship award he was able to travel and work in Europe and the USA.

Phillippe's inspiration came from many things; evolution of all life - including space, the human body and the human internal organ structure and the landscape around him.

Phillippe had his own distinctive style and methodology producing high energy paintings with explosions of colour that are bright, bold and captivating.

In 2002 Phillippe opened The Phoenix Gallery in Manchester after a successful calling as a Fine Art lecturer at Salford University. An established artist with a successful career spanning several decades, Phillippe's work is in collections across the world, bringing his flair for colour and composition to his signature medium, best described as 'liquid glass'.