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Education / Academic

Current	Associate Professor, Elam School of Fine Arts, University of Auckland
1990	Diploma of Teaching, Christchurch College of Education, Christchurch
1989	Bachelor of Fine Arts, Ilam School of Fine Arts, University of Canterbury, Christchurch, New Zealand

Selected Solo Exhibitions

2024	<i>Priorities: Charlotte Posenenske and Peter Robinson</i> , Artspace Aotearoa, Auckland
2023	<i>Die Cuts and Derivations</i> , Christchurch Art Gallery, Christchurch <i>Kā Kaihōpara</i> , Dunedin Public Art Gallery, Dunedin <i>Agreements</i> , Sutton Gallery, Melbourne
2022	<i>Local Colour, Shane Cotton and Peter Robinson</i> , Hamish McKay Gallery, Auckland
2021-22	<i>Forward Backwards</i> , Coastal Signs, Auckland
2020	<i>Notations</i> , Sutton Gallery, Melbourne <i>Rag Trade</i> , 23 Gordon Rd, Hopkinson Agency, Morningside, Auckland
2019	<i>Companion Pieces</i> , with Ava Seymour, Sydney, Sydney <i>A distant relative</i> , Hopkinson Mossman, Wellington
2018	<i>The 9th Asia Pacific Triennial of Contemporary Art (APT9)</i> , QAGOMA, Brisbane <i>Peter Robinson, Fieldwork</i> , CoCA Toi Moroki Centre of Contemporary Art, New Zealand
2017	<i>Schisms</i> , Sutton Gallery, Melbourne <i>After Party</i> , Hopkinson Mossman, Auckland
2016	<i>Politics of Sharing-On Collective Wisdom</i> , ifa-Galerie, Berlin
2015	<i>Die Cuts and Derivations</i> , Hopkinson Mossman, Auckland <i>Neologisms</i> , Sutton Gallery, Melbourne <i>SYNTAX</i> , Artspace, Auckland <i>Recreation Centre</i> , Nouveau Festival, Centre Pompidou, Paris
2014	<i>Diversions</i> , Peter McLeavey, Wellington, New Zealand <i>Pair et Impair</i> , Galerie Emmanuel Herve, Paris
2013	<i>Defunct Mnemonics</i> , Peter McLeavey, Wellington, New Zealand <i>Tribe Subtribe</i> , The Dowse Art Museum, Lower Hutt <i>Cuts and Junctures</i> , Adam Art Gallery, Wellington
2012	<i>Structure & Subjectivity</i> , Sue Crockford Gallery, Auckland, New Zealand
2011	<i>Essential Security</i> , Sutton Gallery, Melbourne
2010	<i>The Influence of Anxiety</i> , The Centre for Drawing Project Space, London
2009	<i>Polymer Monoliths</i> , Artspace, Sydney and Institute of Modern Art, Brisbane
2008	<i>Line Works</i> , Sutton Gallery, Melbourne <i>Snow Ball Blind Time</i> , Govett-Brewster Art Gallery, New Plymouth, New Zealand <i>Promethean Dreams</i> , Sue Crockford Gallery, Auckland, New Zealand

- 2007 *Concatenation and Dispersion*, Sutton Gallery Project Space, Melbourne
Sue Crockford Gallery, Auckland, New Zealand
Brooke-Gifford Gallery, Auckland, New Zealand
- 2006 *ACK!*, Artspace, Auckland, New Zealand
Peter McLeavey Gallery, Wellington
- 2005 *The Humours*, Dunedin Public Art Gallery
- 2004 *Neo Conceptual Primitivism*, Anna Bibby Gallery, Auckland, New Zealand
- 2003 Brooke-Gifford Gallery, Christchurch, New Zealand
Divine Comedy, Wellington City Art Gallery, Wellington, New Zealand
- 2002 *The Return of The Hand*, Peter McLeavey Gallery, Wellington
Divine Comedy, Auckland Art Gallery Toi o Tāmaki, Auckland
Divine Comedy, Ilam School of Fine Arts Gallery, University of Canterbury, Christchurch
- 2001 *Cipher*, 5th Gallery, Dublin
Divine Comedy, Govett-Brewster Art Gallery, New Plymouth, New Zealand
- 2000 *No reading allowed here*, Kapinos Galerie für Zeitgenössische Kunst, Berlin, Germany
The end of the twentieth century, Peter McLeavey Gallery, Wellington, New Zealand
- 1999 *No Boundary Condition*, Peter McLeavey Gallery, Wellington, New Zealand
- 1998 *I know nothing*, Peter McLeavey Gallery, Wellington, New Zealand
The big crunch, Anna Bibby Gallery, Auckland, New Zealand
Stedelijk Museum, Amsterdam, The Netherlands
- 1997 *NZPR*, Brooke-Gifford Gallery, Christchurch, New Zealand
Nice paintings, Anna Bibby Gallery, Auckland, New Zealand
Canon fodder, Peter McLeavey Gallery, Wellington, New Zealand
- 1996 *Peter Robinson*, Anna Bibby Gallery, Auckland, New Zealand
Home and away, Peter McLeavey Gallery, Wellington, New Zealand
- 1995 *Opus operandi*, Ghent, Belgium
Bad Aachen ideas, Ludwig Forum für Internationale Kunst, Aachen, Germany
- 1994 *100%*, Peter McLeavey Gallery, Wellington, New Zealand
New Lines/Old Stock, Brooke-Gifford Gallery, Christchurch
- 1993 *9 Paintings of 1993*, Peter McLeavey Gallery, Wellington, New Zealand
- 1992 *The spaces between*, Brooke-Gifford Gallery, Christchurch, New Zealand
- 1990 *Nature, forms, myth*, Last Decade Gallery, Wellington, New Zealand (with Shane Cotton)

Selected Group Exhibitions

- 2024 *Generation X: 50 Artworks from the Chartwell Collection*, Museum of New Zealand | Te Papa Tongarewa
- 2023 *Te Hau Whakatonu: A Series of Never-Ending Beginnings*, Len Lye Centre at Govett-Brewster Art Gallery, New Plymouth
- 2022 *Bienvenue*, Galerie Emmanuel Herve, Paris
Walls to Live Beside, Rooms to Own: The Chartwell Show, Auckland Art Gallery, Auckland
XXX Celebrating 30 Years of Sutton Gallery, Sutton Gallery, Melbourne
- 2021 *Inverse*, Galerie Emmanuel Herve, Paris
Paemanu: Tauraka Toi: A Landing Place, Dunedin Public Art Gallery, New Zealand
He Reka Te Kūmara, Dunedin Public Art Gallery, New Zealand
- 2020 *Toi Tū Toi Ora: Contemporary Māori Art*, Auckland Art Gallery, Auckland
- 2019 *9th Asia Pacific Triennial of Contemporary Art*, Gallery of Modern Art, Brisbane, Australia
- 2016 *Politics of Sharing-On Collective Wisdom*, ifa-Galerie, Germany
Light switch and conduit: The Jim Barr and Mary Barr collection, Dunedin Public Art Gallery
- 2015 *Neither Forward nor Back: Acting in the Present*, Jakarta Biennial
- 2014 *A world undone: Works from the Chartwell Collection*, Auckland Art Gallery, New Zealand
Pair et Impair, Galerie Emmanuel Herve, booth, Art-O-Rama, International Fair of Contemporary Art, Marseille
The Piranesi Effect, Ian Potter Museum of Art, Melbourne
- 2013 *Mom, am I a barbarian?*, 13th Istanbul Biennial, Turkey
If you were to live here..., The 5th Auckland Triennial, New Zealand
Light Sweet Crude, Hopkinson Mossman, Auckland, New Zealand
- 2012 *All our relations*, 18th Biennale of Sydney, Sydney
- 2011 *De-Building*, Christchurch Art Gallery, New Zealand
- 2008 *The Walters Prize*, Auckland Art Gallery, New Zealand
- 2006 *Sue Crockford Gallery*, Auckland, New Zealand
The Walters Prize, Auckland Art Gallery, New Zealand
- 2004 *Three Colours: Gordon Bennett and Peter Robinson*, Heide Museum of Modern Art, Melbourne; Bendigo Art Gallery; Academy Gallery, University of Tasmania; Plimsoll Gallery, University of Tasmania; Shepparton Art Gallery; Ballarat Fine Art Gallery; Institute of Modern Art, Brisbane; Christchurch Art Gallery
Termite Art Against White Elephant, Actual behaviour of drawing, Museo Colecciones ICO, Madrid, Spain
- 2003 *The Sky is the Limit*, Kunstverein, Langenhagen, Germany
- 2002 *Iconoclash*, ZKM, Karlsruhe, Germany
Centre of Attraction, 8th Baltic Triennale of International Art, Vilnius, Lithuania
Media City Seoul, Museum of Modern Art, Seoul, South Korea
Rest In Space, Kunstnerhus Oslo, Norway
- 2001 *bi-polar*, 49th Venice Biennale, New Zealand Pavilion, Museo di Sant'Apollonia, Venice, Italy

- Superman in Bed - Collection Schürmann Kunst für Gegenwart und Fotografie*, Museum am Ostwall, Dortmund, Germany
- ...troubler l'écho du temps, oeuvres de la collection*, Musée d'Art Contemporain de Lyon, Lyon, France
- 2000 *Partage d'exotismes*, 5th Biennale d'art contemporain de Lyon 2000, Lyon, France
- Continental shift*, Ludwig Forum für Internationale Kunst, Aachen, Germany; Bonnefantenmuseum, Maastricht, The Netherlands; Stadsgalerij, Heerlen, The Netherlands; Musée d'Art moderne, Lüttich, Belgium
- Heimat kunst*, Haus der Kulturen der Welt, Berlin, Germany
- Drive: power, progress, desire*, Govett-Brewster Art Gallery, New Plymouth, New Zealand
- 1999 *Kunstwelten im dialog*, Museum Ludwig, Köln, Germany
- Toi Toi Toi: three generations of artists from New Zealand*, Museum Fridericianum, Kassel, Germany and Auckland Art Gallery Toi o Tāmaki, New Zealand
- Home and away: Contemporary Australian and New Zealand art from the Chartwell Collection*, Auckland Art Gallery Toi o Tamaki, Auckland Art Gallery, Auckland, New Zealand
- What I photographed this summer*, Peter McLeavey Gallery, Wellington, New Zealand
- 1998 *Entropy zu hause*, Suermondt-Ludwig Museum, Aachen, Germany
- Everyday*, 11th Biennale of Sydney, Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney, Australia
- Necessary protection*, Govett-Brewster Art Gallery, New Plymouth, New Zealand
- Blood brothers*, Peter McLeavey Gallery, Wellington, New Zealand
- What we do here*, Peter McLeavey Gallery, Wellington, New Zealand
- 1997 *Trade routes: history and geography*, 2nd Johannesburg Biennale, billboard and page art projects, Johannesburg, South Africa
- Seppelt Art Awards*, Museum of Contemporary Art, Sydney, Australia *McCahon to Robinson*, Peter McLeavey Gallery, Wellington, New Zealand
- Family values*, Peter McLeavey Gallery, Wellington, New Zealand
- Sky writers and earth movers*, McDougall Contemporary Art Annex, Christchurch, New Zealand
- 1996 *Inclusion/Exclusion: Art in the Age of Post Colonialism and Global Migration*, Künstlerhaus Burgring, Graz, Austria
- 23rd International Biennale of Sao Paulo*, Biennale Pavilion, Sao Paulo, Brazil
- 2nd Asia-Pacific Triennale of Contemporary Art*, Queensland Art Gallery, Brisbane, Australia
- 1995 *Cultural safety: contemporary art from New Zealand*, Frankfurter Kunstverein, Frankfurt, Germany and City Gallery, Wellington, New Zealand; Ludwig Forum für Internationale Kunst, Germany; Waikato Museum of Art and History, Hamilton and Dunedin Public Art Gallery
- Hangover*, Dunedin Public Art Gallery, Govett-Brewster Art Gallery and Waikato Museum of Art and History, New Zealand
- Korurangi*, Auckland Art Gallery Toi o Tāmaki, Auckland, New Zealand
- 1994 *Localities of desire*, Museum of Contemporary Art, Sydney, Australia
- Parallel lines: Gordon Walters in context*, Auckland Art Gallery Toi o Tāmaki, Auckland, New Zealand
- Art Now*, Museum of New Zealand Te Papa Tongarewa, Wellington, New Zealand
- Aoraki/Hikurangi*, McDougall Contemporary Art Annex, Christchurch, New Zealand
- 1993 *Cartel*, Brooke-Gifford Gallery, Christchurch, New Zealand

- Te Hau a Taonga*, Te Taumata Gallery, Auckland, New Zealand
- Groundswell*, Manawatu Art Gallery, Palmerston North, New Zealand
- 1992 *Te Kupenga*, CSA Gallery, Christchurch, New Zealand
- ARX 3*, Artist Regional Exchange Institute of Contemporary Art, Perth, Australia
- Shadow of style: eight new artists*, City Gallery, Wellington and Govett-Brewster Art Gallery, New Plymouth, New Zealand
- Vogue/Vague*, CSA Gallery, Christchurch, New Zealand
- A comfortable environment*, Dunedin Public Art Gallery, Dunedin, New Zealand
- Prospect Canterbury*, McDougall Contemporary Art Annex, Christchurch, New Zealand
- 1991 *Kohia Ko Taikaka Anake*, National Art Gallery, Wellington, New Zealand
- Recognitions*, McDougall Contemporary Art Annex, Christchurch, New Zealand
- Peter Robinson, Euan McLeod and Shane Cotton*, Brooke-Gifford Gallery, Christchurch, New Zealand
- He Toi Na Ngaa Toa O Te Whare Waanaga O Waitaha*, School of Fine Arts, University of Canterbury, Christchurch, New Zealand
- 1990 *Goodman/Suter Biennale*, Suter Art Gallery, Nelson, New Zealand
- On task*, CSA Gallery, Christchurch, New Zealand
- Te Atinga - contemporary Maori art*, Uenuku Marae, Moeraki, New Zealand

Curated Exhibitions

- 2022 *Ngā Toi Taketake*, Co-curated with James Tapsell-Kururangi, George Fraser Gallery, Auckland

Awards, Prizes and Grants

- 2008 The Walters Art Prize
- 2001 Creative New Zealand Residency, Künstlerhaus Bethanien, Berlin
- 1999 Künstlerhaus Bethanien Residency, Berlin
- 1998 Artspace Residency, Sydney, Australia
- 1996 Goethe Institut Residency, Düsseldorf, Germany
- 1995 Ludwig Forum für Internationale Kunst Residency, Aachen, Germany

Collections

- Auckland Art Gallery Toi o Tamaki, Auckland Tamaki Makarau Aotearoa New Zealand
- Denver Art Museum, Denver, US
- Dunedin Public Art Gallery, Dunedin, Aotearoa New Zealand
- FRAC Region D' Alsace, Lorraine, France
- Musée d'Art Contemporain de Lyon, Lyon, France

Museum of Contemporary Art Australia (MCA), Sydney
Museum of New Zealand Te Papa Tongarewa, Wellington, Aotearoa New Zealand
National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne
PROP Foundation, Montana, United States
Stedelijk Museum, Amsterdam, Netherlands
Te Manawa Museum of Art, Palmerston North, Aotearoa New Zealand
The Jim Barr and Mary Barr Collection
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- Gregory Burke 'Drive: power, progress, desire', Drive: power, progress, desire, exhibition catalogue, New Plymouth, Hanna Scott, New Zealand: Govett-Brewster Art Gallery, 2000, pp. 18-58.
- Gregory Burke Cultural Safety, Contemporary Art from New Zealand, exhibition catalogue, Frankfurt am Main: Frankfurter Kunstverein, Wellington: Wellington City Gallery, 1995, pp. 15-31.
- Gregory Burke & Robert Leonard 'Style Shifts', Shadow of Style, exhibition catalogue, New Plymouth: Govett-Brewster Art Gallery and Wellington: Wellington City Gallery, 1992, pp. 2-3. Sara Diamond
'Spotlight - Media-City Seoul 2002', *Flash Art*, vol. XXXV no. 227 November - December, p. 99.
- Okwui Enwezor Trade routes: history and geography, exhibition catalogue, 2nd Johannesburg Biennale, Johannesburg: Johannesburg Biennale, 1997.
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- Brigitte Huck '8th Baltic Triennial of Contemporary Art', *Artforum*, January 2003, p. 147.
- Christian Huther *Kunstforum*, no. 131 1995, pp. 378-9.
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'Peter Robinson's Strategic Plan', *Art Asia Pacific*, no. 16 1997, pp. 70-75.
Inklusion/Exklusion, exhibition catalogue, Graz: Künstlerhaus Graz, 1996, pp. 321-323.
'3.125 % Pure - Peter Robinson Plays the Numbers Game', *Art +Text*, no.50 1995, pp. 18-20.
'Peter Robinson The End of the Twentieth Century', GalleryNews, Auckland, Auckland Art Gallery Toi o Tamaki, March/April/May/June 2004, p. 20.
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Auckland: Auckland Art Gallery Toi o Tamaki, 1999, pp. 15-29.

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Felicity Milburn

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Lara Strongman

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Richard Vine

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