

# versus Rodin.

Bodies across  
space and time  
4 March — 2 July 2017

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## Artists announced for major Rodin exhibition

Over 60 modern and contemporary artists will go head to head with the maverick of modern sculpture in major new exhibition *Versus Rodin: bodies across space and time* at the Art Gallery of South Australia this March.

Through a series of duets and duels, works by Auguste Rodin will be brought into vivid conversation with over 200 works of art by leading artists from Australia and overseas who have similarly challenged our understanding of the human condition. Artists include:

Tony Albert (AU)	Tacita Dean (UK)	Lindy Lee (AU)	Julia Robinson (AU)
Benjamin Armstrong (AU)	Max Dupain (AU)	Ben Leslie (AU)	Ugo Rondinone (CH)
Frank Auerbach (UK)	Anne Ferran (AU)	Sherrie Levine (USA)	David Rosetzky (AU)
Australian Dance Theatre (AU)	Urs Fischer (CH)	Sarah Lucas (UK)	Alison Saar (USA)
Francis Bacon (UK)	Simryn Gill (MY/AU)	Guy Maestri (AU)	Yhonnie Scarce (AU)
Phyllida Barlow (UK)	Felix Gonzalez-Torres (CU/USA)	Mark Manders (NL)	Tim Silver (AU)
Huma Bhabha (PAK)	Antony Gormley (UK)	Ricky Maynard (AU)	Kiki Smith (DE/USA)
Polly Borland (AU)	Brent Harris (AU)	Rob McLeish (AU/USA)	Fiona Tan (AU)
Louise Bourgeois (FR)	Bill Henson (AU)	Henry Moore (UK)	Wolfgang Tillmans (DE)
Pat Brassington (AU)	Barbara Hepworth (AU)	Chris Ofili (UK)	Francis Upritchard (NZ/UK)
Cecily Brown (UK/USA)	Thomas Houseago (UK)	Dennis Oppenheim (USA)	Bill Viola (USA)
Janet Burchill (AU)	Sui Jianguo (CN)	Mike Parr (AU)	Danh Võ (VN/DK)
Eugène Carrière (FR)	William Kentridge (SA)	João Penalva (PT/UK)	Kara Walker (USA)
Thea Costantino (AU)	Bharti Kher (UK/IND)	Paul Pfeiffer (USA)	Gillian Wearing (UK)
Olive Cotton (AU)	Emily Kame Kngwarreye (AU)	Seth Price (USA)	Kehinde Wiley (USA)
Bridget Currie (AU)	Rosemary Laing (AU)	Elvis Richardson (AU)	Xu Zhen (CN)

Coinciding with the centenary of the great French sculptor's death, *Versus Rodin* draws on the Gallery's own collection of Rodin bronzes, the largest in the Southern Hemisphere. The exhibition will also feature new works on display for the first time by Australian Dance Theatre, Polly Borland, Cecily Brown, Thea Costantino, Bridget Currie, Urs Fischer, Ben Leslie, Guy Maestri, Elvis Richardson, Julia Robinson, Alison Saar, Tim Silver, Wolfgang Tillmans and Francis Upritchard; and international artists never exhibited in Australia.

Presented as part of the 2017 Adelaide Festival, *Versus Rodin: Bodies across space and time* runs from 4 March to 2 July 2017. Hear more about the artistic obsession with the human body across space and time in a series of panels and artists talks on Saturday 4 March. Featuring curator Leigh Robb and artists Benjamin Armstrong, Thea Costantino, Brent Harris, Lindy Lee, Elvis Richardson, Tim Silver and Garry Stewart & Australian Dance Theatre. For further information or to purchase tickets visit [artgallery.sa.gov.au](http://artgallery.sa.gov.au).

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