MERLIN JAMES

b. 1960, Cardiff

Lives and works in Glasgow

EDUCATION

1983–86	MA, Painting, Royal College of Art, London, UK
1979–82	BA (Hons), Central School of Art, London (now Central St. Martins)
1978-79	Cardiff College of Art

CURRENT & FORTHCOMING EXHIBITIONS

2025 Sikkema Jenkins, New York, USA (Solo, February)

Drawing the Unspeakable, Towner Eastbourne, UK (Group, 5 October 2024 – 27

April 2025)

SOLO & TWO-PERSON EXHIBITIONS

2024	Maureen Paley, London, UK
2023	Some Steps, Kunstsaele, Berlin, Germany; curated by Andrew Mummery
	Double Shuffle, two-person exhibition with Victoria Morton, Kerlin Gallery, Dublin
	Arrivals, Chris Sharp, Los Angeles, CA, USA
2022	Far and Near, Anton Kern Gallery, New York, NY, USA
	The Philadelphia Art Alliance, The University of the Arts, Philadelphia, USA
2021	Window, Kerlin Gallery, Dublin
2020	River, Sikkema, Jenkins & Co., New York, NY, USA
2019	Untitled (Sex), SELECT, Berlin, Germany
2018	A View of the Clyde River at Glasgow, A-M-G5, Glasgow, UK
	Long Game, OCT Boxes Art Museum, Shunde, China; OCT Art & Design Gallery,
	Shenzhen, China
2017	Raucci e Santamaria, Milan, Italy
2016	Paintings for Persons, Sikkema Jenkins & Co, New York, USA
	To the Present, Kerlin Gallery, Dublin, Ireland
	Long Game, CCA, Glasgow, UK
2015	Meeting at the Building, Douglas Hyde Gallery, Dublin, Ireland
	Genre Paintings, Sikkema Jenkins & Co., New York, NY, USA
2014	Freestyle, Kunstverein Freiberg, Germany
	Paintings, Drawings, Prints, Aanant & Zoo, Berlin, Germany
	In Penombra, Raucci/Santamaria, Naples, Italy
	Black Paintings, Großbeerenstraße 56c, Berlin, Germany
2013	Signal Box, KW Institute for Contemporary Art, Berlin, Germany

SOLO EXHIBITIONS CONTD.

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	Sex Paintings, OHIO, Glasgow, UK
	Merlin James, Parasol Unit, London, UK
	Painting, Galerie les Filles du Calvaire, Paris, France
2012	In the Gallery, Douglas Hyde Gallery, Dublin, Ireland
	New Paintings, Kerlin Gallery, Dublin, Ireland
2011	Sikkema Jenkins & Co., New York, NY, USA
2010	Frame Paintings, Mummery + Schnelle, London, UK
2008	Birds, Places, Other Things, Kerlin Gallery, Dublin, Ireland
	Paintings, Mummery + Schnelle, London, UK
2007	Painting to Painting, New York Studio School, Neq York, NY, USA
	Merlin James: Painting, Galerie Les Filles du Calvaire, Brussels, Belgium
	Galerie les Filles du Calvaire, Paris, France
2006	Paintings of Buildings, Sikkema Jenkins & Co., New York, NY, USA
	Andrew Mummery Gallery, London, UK
2005	Sea, Kerlin Gallery, Dublin, Ireland
	Sikkema Jenkins & Co., New York, NY, USA
2004	Easel Painting, Talbot Rice Gallery, Edinburgh, travelling to Bay Art, Cardiff, UK
	Vitamin Arte Contemporanea, Turin, Italy
2003	The Middle Distance, Kerlin Gallery, Dublin, Ireland
	New Compositions, Andrew Mummery Gallery, London, UK
	Brent Sikkema, New York, NY, USA
2002	Pictures, Brent Sikkema Gallery, New York, NY, USA
	Pictures, Galleria Ceribelli, Bergamo, Italy
	New Paintings 2002, Kerlin Gallery, Dublin, Ireland
2001	Galerie Yves Hoffmann, Paris, France
	Andrew Mummery Gallery, London, UK
1998	Painting, Wooster Gardens, New York, NY, USA
1997	Francis Graham Dixon, London, UK
	Andrew Grant Gallery, Edinburgh College of Art, UK
	Critical Pictures, Andrew Grant Gallery, Edinburgh College of Art, UK
	Wooster Gardens, New York, NY, USA
1996	Kettle's Yard, Cambridge, UK
	Critical Pictures, Picker Gallery, Kingston University, Kingston upon Thames, UK
1995	Poussin's Phocion, National Museum of Wales, Cardiff, UK
	Poussin's Phocion and Other Works, Standpoint Studios, London, UK
1992	Eagle Gallery, London, UK
1991	Albermarle Gallery, London, UK

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2024 Magicians less prone to mental disorders than other artists, finds research, Altman Siegel, San Francisco, USA Voyage, Morena di Luna, Hove, UK light the light at the beginning of the world, Kerlin Gallery, Dublin, Ireland 2023 Obsession II, Galeria Wschód, Warsaw, Poland A Life in Pictures. A Portrait of Seeing for Rudolf Zwirner, Palais Populaire, Berlin, Germany Come a Little Closer, D. C. Moore, New York, USA I MET, Spazio Mutina, Fiorano, Italy Landschaft, Galerie Khoshbakht, Cologne, Germany I've never met anyone quite like you before, Queens Park Railway Club, Glasgow Their Private Worlds..., Matthew Brown gallery, Los Angeles, USA 2022 Sea Show, Winter Street Gallery, Martha's Vineyard, USA Singing in Unison, Below Grand (53 Orchard Street), New York, USA To be a giant and keep quiet about it, Margot Samel, New York, USA Moderato Cantabile, Stoppenbach & Delestre, London, UK Di Semplicità e di Brevido (De Pisis and contemporary painting), P420, Bologna, Italy Gracie DeVito/Gabriel de la Mora/Merlin James, Art Alliance Philadelphia, PA, USA 2021 Mixing It Up: Painting Today, Hayward Gallery, South Bank Centre, London, UK Prunella Clough, A small thing edgily, with works by Amy Sillman, Hayley Tompkins and Merlin Hames, June, Berlin, Germany Feel the Soul?, Willumsens Museum New Songs for Old Rituals, Thames-Side Studios Gallery, London, UK 2020 Double-M, Double-X, Kerlin Gallery, Dublin, Ireland Slow Painting, The Levinsky Gallery, Plymouth, UK Freitod, Kunstsaele, Berlin, Germany 2019 Slow Painting, Leeds Art Gallery, Leeds, UK Soto Voce, Bortola Gallery, NYC, USA last day of May, Kerlin Gallery, Dublin, Ireland Uptown Painting, Peter Freeman Gallery, New York, USA 2018 Salon 007, Saatchi Gallery, London, UK Painting Amongst Other Things, Drill Hall Gallery, Australian National University, Canberra, Australia La vita Materiale, The Goma, Madrid, Spain 2017 Park, Holly's Gallery, Guangzhou & Hong Kong (co-presented by Kerlin Gallery) Il Paesaggio Invisible, Rauchi e Santamaria, Naples, Italy The Public Body .01, Artspace, Sydney, Australia 2016

Cuts, Shapes, Breaks and Scrapes, Seventeen Gallery, London, UK

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Ghosts of Other Stories, The Model, Sligo, Ireland Towards Night, Towner Art Gallery, Eastbourne, UK Outside, Karma, Amagansett, New York, USA Towards Night, Towner Art Gallery, Eastbourne, UK 2015 Painting is No Ordinary Object, Hollis Taggart, New York, USA Basal, Aanant & Zoo, Berlin, Germany Vital Signs: 12 London Artists, Clifford Chance, London, UK & Museo Della Grafica, Pisa, Italy Out There, Thataway, CCA Derry, Derry, Northern Ireland Parergon and The Gutter, David Risley Gallery, Copenhagen, Denmark 2013 The Room and its Inhabitants, Susan Hobbs Gallery, Toronto, ON, Canada Inevitable Figuration, Museo Pecci, Prato, Italy Gallery 400, University of Illinois, Chicago, IL, USA Picture Show, Gallery of Modern Art, Glasgow, UK SS Blue Jacket, KARST, Plymouth UK A Bucolic Frolic, Mummery+Schnelle, London, UK 2012 One Night Stand, Goat Major Projects, Cardiff, Wales; Trade Gallery, Nottingham, UK The Big Picture, Sikkema Jenkins & Co., New York, NY, USA Interior Visions, Colby College Art Gallery, Waterville, ME, USA The Man Don't Give..., Motorcade/Flash Parade, Bristol, UK Les Misérables, OHIO, Glasgow, UK Broken/Window/Plane, curated by John Yau, Tracy Williams Gallery, New York, USA 2011 Royal Hibernian Academy, Dublin, Ireland Between My Head and My Hand..., PNCA Feldman Gallery, Portland, OR, USA White Columns Benefit Auction, New York, NY, USA 2010 The Beholder's Share, Mummery+Schnelle, London, UK Merlin James, Andrew Taylor, Tom Varley, Southside Studios, Glasgow, UK Long, Long Gone, Leo Koenig, New York, NY, USA Self-Consciousness, Veneklasen Werner, Berlin, Germany Le Tableau, Cheim & Read, New York, NY, USA Building on a Cliff - Merlin James, Matt Conners, Arturo Herera, Sikkema Jenkins, New York, USA 2009 Doppo Gobbo, Fuxia Gallery, Milan, Italy New Ideas in Abstraction, APSU, Clarkesville, Tennessee, USA Nudes, Galeria Fortes Vilaça, Sao Paolo, Brazil Turps: Part Two, Galleria Marabini, Bologna, Italy 21: Selections of Contemporary Art, Brooklyn Museum, Brooklyn, NY, USA 2008 Mutineer, Atelierhaus Mengerziele, Berlin, Germany 2007

Things We Lost in the Fire, Leicester City Art Gallery, UK

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An Eclectic Eye, Tucson Museum of Art, Arizona, USA

And so it goes, Welsh Pavilion, 52nd Venice Biennale, Italy, travelling to Chapter

Gallery, Cardiff, UK

2005 Short Stories About Painting, curated by Jeffrey Dennis, Michael Richardson

Contemporary Art, London, UK

Seeing Things, curated by Davide Ferri, Galleria Fabibasaglia, Rimini, Italy

2006 Things We Lost in the Fire, Transition Gallery, London, UK

Faces of a Collection, Kunsthalle Mannheim, Germany (Re)markable, Andrew Mummery Gallery, London, UK

Interested Painters, Gallery 400, Chicago, IL, USA

2004 Direct Painting, Kunsthalle Mannheim, Germany

The Five Corners of Painting, curated by Jane Lee, artconnexion, Lille, France.

On the Edge of Real, Whitechapel Art Gallery, London, UK

No Particular Place to Go, curated by Mary McLean, APT Gallery, London, UK Contemporary Painting, curated by Alex Katz, Colby College Museum of Art,

Waterville, ME, USA

The Edge of the Real, Whitechapel Gallery, London, UK

Sidelonging, crated by Andreas Leventis, 117 Commercial Street, London, UK

Les Cinq Coins De Peinture, artconnexion, Lille, France

2003 Dirty Picture Show, The Approach Gallery, London

Yes! I am long way from home, The Nunnery Gallery, London, UK, travelling to Wolverhampton Art Gallery, UK; Northern Gallery for Contemporary Art,

Sunderland, UK; The Herbert Read Gallery, Canterbury, UK

The Lazarus Effect, curated by Helena Kontova, Luca Beatrice and Lauri

Firstenberg, Prague Biennale, Czech Republic

2002 Closer, curated by Peter Jones, Standpoint Gallery, London, UK

Landscape, Saatchi Gallery, London, UK

2001 Painters Painting, The Approach, London, UK

2000 Not Enough, Velan Centre for Contemporary Art, Turin, Italy

2000 Stephen Lacy Gallery, London, UK

Regrouping, The Nunnery, London, UK Brent Sikkema, New York, NY, USA

River Deep Mountain High, curated by Kelly Taylor, Cooper Gallery, University of

Dundee, Scotland

1999 Another Country: The Constructed Landscape, Brent Sikkema Gallery

and Lawrence Rubin Greenberg Van Doren, New York, NY, USA

Don't Smoke in My House, Vicki Tarrant, London, UK

Art First, London, UK

EAST International, selected by Peter Doig, Norwich Gallery, Norwich, UK

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Stephen Lacy Gallery, London, UK River Deep Mountain High, Gallery Westland Place, London, UK; travelling to Cooper Gallery, University of Dundee (2000), Dundee, UK; Thomas Korzelius Gallery, New York, USA Raum, Kunstlerhaus Vienna, Austria 1998 Critical Faculty, Grand Valley State University, Michigan, USA Painting, Wooster Gardens, New York, NY, USA 1996 Connaught Brown, London Whitechapel Open, Whitechapel Gallery, London 1995 Royal College of Art, London, UK 1994 Kapil Jariwala Gallery, London, UK 1993 Quoi de Neuf?, Delsol et Innocenzi, Paris, France 1990 Albermarle Gallery, London, UK

CURATORIAL PROJECTS

2023	André Derain: Works on Paper, 42 Carlton Place, Glasgow, Scotland
2021	You Can Have Curves and Straight Lines (Paule Vézelay/Louise Hopkins), 42
	Carlton Place, Glasgow, Scotland
2020	Fieldwork, 42 Carlton Place, Glasgow, Scotland
2019	Prunella Clough: Paintings, 42 Carlton Place, Glasgow, Scotland
2018	Charchoune: 1930s/1960s, 42 Carlton Place, Glasgow, Scotland, co-curated
	with Andrew Mummery
2016	E(i)Ishem(i)us, 42 Carlton Place, Glasgow (Glasgow International), Scotland, co-
	curated with Carol Rhodes
2015	Serge Charchoune, Douglas Hyde Gallery, Dublin
	Adrian Morris: New Foundations, 42 Carlton Place, Glasgow (Glasgow
	International), co-curated with Carol Rhodes
	Ballet of the Palette, Gallery of Modern Art, Glasgow, Scotland (10-artist collaboration)
	Under the Radar: Serge Charchoune, Kunstsaele, Berlin, Germany, co-curated
	with Michael Meuller
2014	Christina Ramberg, 42 Carlton Place, Glasgow, UK (Glasgow International), co-
	curated with Carol Rhodes
2012	Other Modernisms: Serge Charchoune (1889-1975), Smart Museum of Art,
	University of Chicago, IL, USA; Talbot Rice Gallery, University of Edinburgh, UK
	Ever since I put your picture in a frame, 42 Carlton Place, Glasgow (Glasgow
	International), Scotland, co-curated with Carol Rhodes
2009	Primitif Compliqué, Galerie les Filles du Calvaire, Brussels, Belgium
2008	Serge Charchoune, Mummery + Schnelle, London, UK
2005	Incorrgible, Sentimental, Kerlin Gallery, Dublin, Ireland

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COLLECTIONS

TATE, London

Arts Council England, UK

British Council, UK

National Museum of Wales, Cardiff, UK

Kistefos Museum, Jevnaker, Norway

Musée d'Art Moderne de la Ville, Paris, France

Brooklyn Museum, USA

Bowdoin College Museum of Art, Brunswick, Maine, USA

The Bunker Artspace, Miami, Florida, USA

Colby Art Museum, Maine, USA

Dallas Museum of Art, Dallas, USA

San Antonio Art Museum, USA

HUA Art Museum, Shenzhen, China

OCT Boxes Art Museum, Shunde, China

Sifang Art Museum, Nanjing, China

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2024	Merlin James & Victoria Morton, Double Shuffle
2023	Merlin James, published by Kerlin Gallery, Dublin; Sikkema Jenkins & Co., New
	York; P420, Bologna
2021	Mixing it Up, Hayward Gallery Publications, UK; texts by Ralph Rugoff and
	Martha Barrett
2020	River (interview with Louis Block)
	A View of the Clyde River at Glasgow, A-M-G5, Glasgow, Scotland
2019	Slow Painting, Hayward Gallery Publications, UK; text by Martin Herbert
2018	Long Game, OCT Shenzhen, China/Kerlin Gallery Dublin, Ireland; texts by Declan
	Long, Merlin James and Christina YZ
2017	PARK, Holly's Gallery, Guangzhou, China; text by Darragh Hogan
	Towards Night, Towner Art Gallery, Eastbourne, UK
2016	Barry Schwabsky, 'For and Against Method: Edgar Degas and Merlin James' in
	The Perpetual Guest, Verso Books
2015	Painting is Not Condemned to Repeat Itself, Hollis Taggart, New York, USA; text
	by John Yau
	Vital Signs, London, UK
2014	Merlin James: SIGNAL BOX, KW Institute, Berlin
2013	Merlin James, Parasol Unit, London, UK
2012	Merlin James: In The Gallery, Douglas Hyde Gallery, Dublin, Ireland

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2011	Between My Head and My Hand There is Always the Image of Death, PNCA Portland, OR, USA; text by Kirsten Kennedy
	Vitamin P2: New Perspectives in Painting, edited by Barry Schwabsky, Phaidon
2010	Self-Consciousness, VeneKlasen/Werner, Berlin, Germany
	Another Country, Estorick Collection, London, UK; text by Brendan Prenderville
2009	Kallat, Fluxia Gallery, Milan, Italy; text 'Doppo Gobbo' by Luca Francesconi
2007	Merlin James, Wales at the Venice Biennale, Art Council of Wales
2006	Things We Lost in the Fire, Transition Gallery, London, UK; text by Gordon Dalton
2005	Short Stories About Painting, University of the Arts, London; text by Merlin James
	Painting Direct, Kunsthalle Mannheim, Germany; texts by Rolf Lauter, William Feaver
	White Window, Canterbury, UK; text by Jane Lee
2004	Merlin James: Recent Paintings, Vitamin Arte, Turin, Italy
	Merlin James: Easel Paintings, Talbot Rice Gallery, Edinburgh, UK
	Contemporary Painting, Colby College Museum of Art, ME, USA
2003	Prague Biennale 1: Peripheries Become the Center, Prague Biennale
	Yes! I am a long way from home, The Nunnery, London, UK
2002	Merlin James: Pictures, Lubrina Editore/Brent Sikkema/Cerebelli, New York, NY,
	USA & Bergamo, Italy
1999	Landscape, Saatchi Gallery, London, UK
	River Deep, Mountain High, Westland Place, London, UK; text by Kier Smith
	EAST International, Norwich, UK (artist's statement)
	Young British Art: The Saatchi Decade, Booth-Clibborn Editions, UK
1998	Raum!, Künstlerhaus, Vienna, Austria
	Open Drawing, CGCHE, Cheltenham, UK
	Critical Faculty, Grand Valley State University, Allendale, MI, USA; text by C. Horrocks
	Dictionary of Artists in Britain Since 1945, David Buckman, London
1996	Merlin James: Critical Pictures, Picker Gallery, Kingston University; text by Juan Cruz
	Merlin James, Kettle's Yard, Cambridge, 1996, exhibition leaflet, interview with
	Merlin James by Simon Wallis
1995	Poussin's Phocion, National Museum of Wales, UK (hand list, text by the artist)
	Poussin's Phocion and other work, Standpoint Studios, London, UK (text by the
	artist, limited edition print)
1991	Merlin James, Albemarle Gallery, London, text by the artist

AUTHORED TEXTS & PUBLISHED LECTURES

2015	Serge Charchoune, Douglas Hyde Gallery, Dublin
2013	Serge Charchoune, Talbot Rice Gallery, Edinburgh
2012	'Edvard Munch: The Modern Eye', World of Interiors, August, p. 105
2011	Alex Katz, James Cohan Gallery, Shanghai
	William Nicholson, catalogue raisonne, Modern Art Press, London
2008	Live Undead, exhibition brochure, Transmission Gallery, Glasgow
	Serge Charchoune, Mummery & Schnelle, London
2007	Carol Rhodes, Scottish National Gallery of Modern Art, Edinburgh
2005	Alex Katz, Cartoons and Paintings, Albertina Museum, Vienna
	Short Stories About Painting, University of the Arts, London, England
2004	William Nicholson, Royal Academy of Arts, London
2002	Painting per se, published lecture, Cooper Union School of Art, New York
2001	Morandi: The Collector's Eye, Estorick Collection, London
	Alex Katz: The Woodcuts and Linocuts, Peter Blum Editions, New York
2000	Lowry's People, The Lowry Centre, Salford
	Lowry's Places, The Lowry Centre, Salford
1999	Edges, Peter Blum Editions, New York
1997	Alex Katz: Twenty-Five Years of Painting, The Saatchi Gallery, London
1996	The Non-Existence of Art Criticism, The 1996 Stanley Picker Lecture, Tate
	Gallery; New York Studio School; Kingston University, London
1995	David Jones, 1895-1974: A Map of the Artist's Mind, Lund Humpries, London
	Poussin's Phocion, National Museum of Wales, hand list, text by the artist
	Poussin's Phocion and Other Work, Standpoint Studios, London, UK, text by the
	artist, limited edition print
1992	Engaging Images: Practical Criticism and Visual Art, Menard/Kings College, London

POSTS HELD

2002	Alex Katz Chair in Painting, Cooper Union School of Art New York, USA
1997–2002	Associate Editor, Modern & Contemporary, The Burlington Magazine
1996	Critic in Residence, Kingston University, London, UK
	Artist in Residence, Glasgow School of Art, Glasgow, UK

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2024	Hikmat Mohammed, 'What to do in London this December', WWD, 5 December
	Mark Westall, '6 Booths to see at Frieze London', FAD Magazine, 11 October
	'Editors' picks: Eight shows to see this summer', Art Basel Editorial, 16 July
2023	Senatus, 'LOEWE re-opens boutique in Milan', 26 October
	'Merlin James and Victoria Morton', BOMB Magazine, Summer Issue, 1 June
	(Cover story)
	Image Magazine, Summer Issue, June
	Tony Clayton-Lea, 'The Guide: Visual art – Victoria Morton and Merlin James:
	Double Shuffle', The Irish Times - The Ticket, 27 May
	Matthew Bourbon, 'One Work, Short Take: Merlin James at Kerlin Gallery,
	Dublin', Glasstire, 27 April 2023
	Jonathan Griffin, 'Merlin James's "Arrivals", e-flux Criticism, 3 March
2021	'Merlin James at Kerlin Gallery', Contemporary Art Writing Daily, 5 October
	David Ebony, "Brandless" Abstractions', ArtNews, 24 March
2020	Louis Block, 'Merlin James with Louis Block', Brooklyn Rail, April
2019	Aidan Dunne, 'A showcase of pencil and charcoal drawings, and a visual diarist:
	Last Day of May', The Irish Times, 18 June
2018	'Long Game: Merlin James' at Boxes Art Museum, Shunde', Blouin Art Info, 29 March
	Elena Martinique, 'Dallas Art Fair 2018 - Celebrating an Incredible Milestone',
	Widewalls, 28 March
2017	Edward M Gómez, 'At the 2017 Dallas Art Fair, Big Ambitions and the Big Mo',
	Hyperallergic, 10 April
2016	ArtReview, 'Five shows to see in Shanghai', 11 November
	John Yau, 'Paintings We Need', Hyperallergic, 6 November
	Alison Martin, 'Merlin James: Paintings for Persons at Sikkema Jenkins & Co',
	Arte Fuse, 5 November
	Picpus, Issue 17, Summer
	Catherine O'Keeffe, 'Artsdesk', Totally Dublin, June
	Aidan Dunne, 'The unpredictable magic of Merlin James', 31 May
	John O'Sullivan, The Sunday Times Culture, 29 May
	Aidan Kelly Murphy, 'Picture This', The Thin Air, 27 May
	Moray Mair, Review of To the Present, Mutant Space, 19 May
	Declan Long, radio piece, RTÉ Arena, 16 May
	The Ticket, 'Going out: The best of what's on this week', 16 May
	Zoë Jellicoe, 'Zoë's Dublin Diary', Dublin InQuirer, 10 May
	Eileen Kinsella, 'What Are Dealers Bringing to Frieze New York 2016?', artnet
	News, 3 May

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Eileen Kinsella, 'See the Top Booths at Dallas Art Fair 2016', artnet News, 15

April

Michael Granberry, 'Four artists, nine works: The Dallas Museum of Art beefs

up its collection with works being shown at Dallas Art Fair', The Dallas Morning

News, 14 April

Sherman Sam, 'Critic's Pick: Merlin James, CCA', Artforum, February

2016 Gemma Tipton, 'Critic's Guide: Dublin', Frieze blog, 14 February

Susan Mansfield, 'Merlin James: Long Game', The List, 26 January

2015 Phong Bui, 'Merlin James Genre Paintings', The Brooklyn Rail, 5 March

The New York Times, 'Merlin James: Genre Paintings', 27 February

David Ebony, 'David Ebony's Top 10 New York Gallery Shows for February',

ArtNet, 25 February

John Yau, 'What Does It Mean to Be a Grown-Up Painter?', Hyperallergic, 22

February

Howard Halle, 'Merlin James Genre Paintings', Time Out New York, 12 February

2014 Mark Prince, 'Merlin James Freestyle', ArtReview, April

James Cahill, 'Recent Exhibitions, London', The Burlington Magazine, August

Henri Ward, 'Parasol Unit: Merlin James', City Road Online, 30 July

Paul Carey-Kent, FAD, 20 July

Dan Coombs, 'Merlin James at Parasol Unit, Per Kirkeby at Michael Werner',

Abstract Critical, 26 June

Eddie Frankel, 'Merlin James Parasol Unit' Time Out London, 25 June

Mr. Hyde, 'The (less dramatic) adventures of Merlin', www.shortlist.com, 13 June

Amandas Ong, 'Artist re-invents traditional approaches to painting', Elephant

Magazine, 9 June

Culture Critic, 7 June

Skye Sherwin, 'Exhibitionist: The week's art shows in pictures', The Guardian:

Guide, 1 June

Wall Street International Magazine, 20 May

artlyst, 'Merlin James: First Major London Solo Exhibition Parasol Unit', 11 April

Mara Hoberman, 'Merlin James, Galerie Les Filles du Calvarie', Artforum, April

2012 Metro, 14 March, p. 14

Cristín Leach Hughes, 'Merlin James – In the Gallery', The Sunday Times:

Culture, 3 March, p. 39

Aidan Dunne, 'A wizard in the gallery', The Irish Times, 23 February

James Merrigan, 'Underdog', +billion-, 2 February

The Irish Times, '25 things to look forward to in 2012', 31 December

Matthew Higgs, 'Best of 2011', Artforum, December

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November, pp. 170-171

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Street Journal, 23 July

Jennifer Coates, 'Merlin James, Sikkema Jenkins & Co.', Time Out New York, 5 July

John Yau, 'Merlin James, Louise Hopkins', The Brooklyn Rail, July/August

2009 Barry Schwabsky, 'Merlin James/Serge Charchoune', Artforum, February

Tim Stott, 'Merlin James, Birds, Places and Other Things', ArtReview, Issue 29,

January, p. 118

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2008 Kate Butler, 'Merlin James: Birds, Places, Other Things', The Sunday Times:

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Irish Arts Review, Autumn, p. 44

Lisa Turvey, 'Merlin James', Artforum, February

John Yau, 'Merlin James, Paintings of Buildings', The Brooklyn Rail, February

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Ken Johnson, 'Merlin James: Paintings of Buildings', The New York Times, 11 January

2007 R. C. Baker, 'Best in Show', Village Voice, 18 December

David Cohen, 'Model Agencies', The New York Sun, 13 December

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John Goodrich, 'Merlin James at NY Studio School', The New York Sun, 8 March

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Dominique Legrand, Le Soir, 31 January

2006 Martin Coomer, Time Out London, 12 April

Faye Hersch, Art in America, April Hilarie Sheets, Art News, March Neil McClister, Artforum, March

Roger Bridges, The Brooklyn Rail, February

Roberta Smith, The New York Times, 20 January

2005 William Staples, Blunt Art Text, Issue 1, October

David Cohen, The New York Sun, 22 December

Aidan Dunne, The Irish Times, 12 October

Peter Jones, 'Painting Pictures', TURPS BANANA, Issue #1, pp. 10-16

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Licia Pagnesi, 'Merlin James', Arte Magazine, February

2004 Licia Pagnesi, Londra, Arte Magazine, June

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2003	Jane Neel, 'Merlin James, Andrew Mummery Gallery', Contemporary, Issue 55 Louisa Buck, 'Merlin James, Andrew Mummery Gallery', The Art Newspaper, June
2003	Jim Healy, 'Merlin James, Andrew Mummery Gallery', What's On London, 2 May
2000	Martin Coomer, 'Merlin James, Andrew Mummery Gallery', Time Out, 28 May
2002	Mario Naves, 'Merlin James, Brent Sikkema Gallery', New York Observer, 21 June
	Peter Schjeldahl, 'Merlin James, Brent Sikkema Gallery', The New Yorker, 17 June
	Aidan Dunne, 'Merlin James, Kerlin Gallery', The Irish Times, 18 January
	Emma Kay, 'Dirty Picture Show, The Approach Gallery', Contemporary
	Visual Art, January
2001	Philippe Dagen, 'La peinture en Grande Forme', Le Monde, 11 June
	Hilarie Sheets, 'Reinventing the Landscape', Art News, March
	Martin Coomer, 'Merlin James, Andrew Mummery Gallery', Time Out, 7 February
1999	Modern Painters, 'Merlin James, Joe Fyfe and James Hyde', Autumn
	Ken Johnson, The New York Times, 22 October
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