ADRIAN SASSOON

Kevin Grey Curriculum Vitae



Born 1967, Newcastle upon Tyne, Northumberland

Craft Apprenticeship, Matthew Boulton College, Birmingham
Advanced Fabrication and Thin Plate Studies
Licentiateship of The City and Guilds
HND Jewellery and Silversmithing, School of Jewellery, Birmingham

Working in Birmingham

"I create unique pieces that use, almost exclusively, TIG welding techniques to join individually hand formed pieces of silver. The mastery of the welding technique allows me to achieve the precision, scale and dramatic impact of the work; however, technique is not my sole concern. The starting point for each piece is an emotional response: a desire to express a moment or set of ideas in physical form. These can be as varied as a scientific concept or lived experience of historical events.

For twenty-five years I worked within the luxury automotive industry, hand-making bespoke pieces for Rolls Royce, Bentley and the Morgan Motor Company. My accumulated knowledge of traditional skills passed on through the trade, coupled with new technologies and production processes, has provided a unique and original approach to making that extends beyond and complements the traditions of silversmithing."

Selected Group Exhibitions

2025	Adrian Sassoon, Pavilion of Art & Design London, London
2024	Adrian Sassoon, The Treasure House Fair, London
	Adrian Sassoon, TEFAF New York, New York, USA
2024	Adrian Sassoon, Pavilion of Art & Design London, London
	Adrian Sassoon, The Treasure House Fair, London
	LOEWE Foundation Craft Prize 2024 - Finalist Exhibition, Palais de Tokyo, Paris, France
	Adrian Sassoon, TEFAF Maastricht, The Netherlands
2023	Adrian Sassoon, Pavilion of Art & Design London, London
	Adrian Sassoon, The Treasure House Fair, London
	Adrian Sassoon, TEFAF Maastricht, The Netherlands
2022	Adrian Sassoon, Pavilion of Art & Design London, London
	Adrian Sassoon, Masterpiece London, The Royal Hospital Chelsea, London
2021	LOEWE Foundation Craft Prize 2020 - Finalist Exhibition, Musée des Arts Décoratifs, Paris,
	France
	Adrian Sassoon at Parham, a House of History, Parham House, West Sussex
2020	Adrian Sassoon at Sotheby's, Sotheby's, London
	Adrian Sassoon, TEFAF Maastricht, The Netherlands
2019	Adrian Sassoon, Pavilion of Art & Design London, London
	Renewal, Victoria & Albert Museum, Dundee
	COLLECT, with Goldsmiths Fair and Bishopsland, Saatchi Gallery, London
2018	Homo Faber, Michelangelo Foundation, Venice, Italy
	Melting Point, Makers Guild Wales, Cardiff
	Made For the Table, The Goldsmiths Centre, London
2017	Spring Exhibition, Sladmore Gallery, London
2016	Silver Speaks: Idea to Object, Victoria and Albert Museum, London
	Michael Goedhuis, TEFAF, Maastricht, The Netherlands
	Maison Gerard, Salon of Art & Design, New York, USA
	Silver, Light and Shade, The Holburne Museum, Bath
2015	Maison Gerard, Collective Design Fair, New York, USA
2014	Janssens van der Maelen, TEFAF, Maastricht, The Netherlands
	Maison Gerard, The International Fine Art & Antique Dealers Show, New
	York, USA
	Maison Gerard, Collective Design Fair, New York
	Danske Sølvesmede, Koldinghus, Denmark
2013	COLLECT, Saatchi Gallery, London
	Goldsmiths' Fair, The Goldsmiths' Company, London
2012	Fit for Purpose – Contemporary British Silversmiths, Victoria & Albert Museum,
	London
	Made in the Middle, Midland Arts Centre, Birmingham
	Contemporary Applied Arts, London
2011	Goldsmiths' Fair, The Goldsmiths' Company, London
	Rising Stars, Pangolin Gallery, London
	Silverstruck, Ruthin Craft Centre, Ruthin, Wales
	Museum of the Jewellery Quarter, Birmingham
2010	Goldsmiths' Fair, The Goldsmiths' Company, London

Awards

2024 2020 2017	Finalist, LOEWE Foundation Craft Prize, Paris, France Finalist, LOEWE Foundation Craft Prize, Paris, France Gold, Silversmith Senior 3D Craft, Goldsmiths Craft and Design Council,
2017 2015	London Gold, 3D Design Silversmiths, Goldsmiths Craft and Design Council, London Shortlisted, No. 10 Downing Street Silver Trust Commission Competition
2014	The Goldsmiths Company Award, Goldsmiths Craft and Design Council, London
	Gold, Technological Innovation Award, Goldsmiths Craft and Design Council, London
	Gold, Silversmiths Senior, Goldsmiths Craft and Design Council, London Silver, 3D Design Silversmiths, Goldsmiths Craft and Design Council, London
2012	The Goldsmiths Company Award, Goldsmiths Craft and Design Council, London
	Gold, Technological Innovation Award, Goldsmiths Craft and Design Council, London
	Silver, Silversmiths Senior, Goldsmiths Craft and Design Council, London Commended, 3D Silversmiths, Goldsmiths Craft and Design Council, London Shortlisted for St. Martin-in-the-Fields Design Commission Competition, London
2011	Winner, P&O Makower & National Museum Wales Silver Commission, London
2010	Winner, Jewellery Quarter Silver Commission, Birmingham The Goldsmiths Company Award, Goldsmiths Craft and Design Council, London
	Gold, Technological Innovation Award, Goldsmiths Craft and Design Council, London
	Silver, Design Silversmiths, Goldsmiths Craft and Design Council, London Commended – Silversmiths Senior, Goldsmiths Craft and Design Council, London
2009	First Prize, New Technology Award, The Goldsmiths Company, London Grants for Arts Award, Arts Council of England Development Grant Regent Silversmith Award

Public Collections

Birmingham Museum & Art Gallery, Birmingham National Museum Cardiff, Wales The Goldsmiths' Company, London Art Gallery of South Australia, Adelaide, Australia