

THE NEW YEAR GATHERS MOMENTUM AT OLYMPIA AUCTIONS: TWO MORE SPECIALISTS JOIN THE PICTURES, WORKS ON PAPER AND SCULPTURE DEPARTMENT



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The Paintings, Works on Paper and Sculpture Department at Olympia Auctions continues to grow in 2026 with the arrival of two specialists: Nick Hemming-Brown and Véronique Biddell.

Nick Hemming-Brown, who will be focussing particularly on Modern British Art, studied for a BA at the University of Birmingham followed by an MA at the Courtauld Institute. He spent seven years at Sotheby's in London, working as a specialist over two stints in both the Modern British and Impressionist & Modern departments. Before and in between he worked at two of London's leading galleries. He brings considerable expertise to the Paintings and Works on Paper department and will be running the department's new addition to the sale calendar: **The London Sale**, taking place on 7th July 2026. The auction will represent an overview of the city and its creative accomplishments, from Routemaster buses to Grosvenor School prints, from books by Dickens to David Bowie memorabilia. Please get in touch with nick.hemming-brown@olympiaauctions.com to find out more.

Véronique Biddell studied as an undergraduate at the Ecole du Louvre, Paris and worked at Sotheby's New Bond Street London in Nineteenth Century European Paintings and Drawings for over a decade. After completing a Master's degree in Northern Renaissance, Books and Manuscripts from Birkbeck in London, she became Head of History of Art in a Sixth Form College in London. Véronique will be working part-time as a pictures and works on paper cataloguer. Contact: veronique.biddell@olympiaauctions.com.

Head of Department Adrian Biddell who is overseeing the forthcoming auction of collection of author and critic [John Russell Taylor](#), comments 'I am delighted to welcome Nick Hemming-Brown and Véronique to our vibrant and energetic department, both bringing their valuable knowledge and experience which will continue to support and grow the success of our sales. The Pictures department calendar includes biannual auctions of Fine Paintings, Works on Paper and Sculpture as well as the From the Studio: Works from Artists' Estates sales, and Timed auctions of affordable pictures. The new London Sale is an excellent concept and reinforces Olympia Auctions' reputation as one of the capital's most exciting and proactive auction houses.'

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