

ABLADE GLOVER

ART PORTFOLIO

ARTIST BIOGRAPHY

Professor Ablade Glover, born in Accra in 1934, is a Ghanaian artist and educator. He completed his teacher training education at Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology in 1957. In 1959, he won a scholarship to study textile design at London's Central School of Art and Design.

Then he returned to Ghana to teach before receiving another scholarship from Kwame Nkrumah to study art in the UK at the University of Newcastle upon Tyne through 1964 to 1965.

Glover went on to further his education in the US, first at Kent State University, where he earned his master's degree, and then at Ohio State University where he was awarded a PhD in 1974. He is known for capturing the hustle of crowd movement and portraying that energy smoothly on canvas.

Alongside teaching and mentoring young artists in Ghana to succeed in the art scene. He is well-respected and internationally acknowledged in the Art scene. Professor Ablade Glover received the Flagstar Award by ACRAG (the Arts Critics and Reviewers Association of Ghana), in 1998. He was honored with the distinguished alumni award from the African-American Institute in New York.

He founded the Accra-based Artists Alliance and the late gallery, GLO Art Gallery.

Education

1958 Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology, Kumasi.

1962 Central School of Art and Design, London.

Selected Solo Exhibitions

2019 Ablade Glover: Wogbe Jeke - We Have Come a Long Way, October Gallery, London UK

2019 Professor Ablade Glover: The Last 20 Years and Beyond, Gallery 1957, Accra, Ghana

2017 JPK Gallery, Paris, France

2016 INDIVISIBLE: Ablade Glover, Christopher Moller Gallery, Cape Town, South Africa

2014 Ablade Glover: 80th Anniversary, October Gallery, London, UK

2013 Art Dubai, Dubai, UAE, with Nubuke Foundation, Accra, Ghana

2012-2013 Transmission Part 2, Tasneem Gallery, Barcelona, Spain

2009 Ablade Glover: 75th Anniversary, October Gallery, London, UK

2008 Visions & Dreams, Tasneem Gallery

2001 Ablade Glover: New Works by the Renowned Ghanaian Artist, October Gallery, London, UK

2000 Galerie Arts Pluriels, Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire

1999 Ablade Glover: New Works, October Gallery, London, UK

1998 City Hall, Toronto and City Hall, Hamilton, Canada (touring)

1995 Ablade Glover, October Gallery, London, UK

1991 Biz Art Gallery, Geneva, Switzerland

1990 Galerie Arts Pluriels, Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire

1989 British Council, Accra, Ghana

1987 Ablade Glover: Recent Oil Paintings, October Gallery, London, UK

1986 Galerie Go, Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire National Gallery of Zimbabwe, Harare, Zimbabwe

1984 UCLA International Students Centre, Los Angeles, USA Ablade Glover, October Gallery, London, UK

1983 The Commonwealth Institute, London, UK

1982 Hotel Mammy Yoko, Freetown, Sierra Leone Africa Centre, London, UK Ablade Glover, October Gallery, London UK

1980 National Gallery of Modern Art, Lagos, Nigeria National Theatre, Lagos, Nigeria

Selected Group Exhibitions

2018 Dream No Small Dream: Celebrating 40 Years of the Transvanguard, October Gallery, London UK.

2017 Investec Cape Town Art Fair, Cape Town, South Africa, with October Gallery, London, UK

2016 Winter Collective 2016/2017, Tasneem Gallery, Barcelona, Spain Art16, London, UK with October Gallery, London, UK

2015 Africa Africans, Museum Afro Brazil, São Paulo, Brazil
1-54 Contemporary African Art Fair, Somerset House, London, UK, with October Gallery, London, UK

2014 1-54 Contemporary African Art Fair, Somerset House, London, UK, with October Gallery, London, UK

2012 Transmission Part 2, Tasneem Gallery, Barcelona, Spain

2011 Joburg Art Fair, Johannesburg, South Africa, with October Gallery, London, UK

2010 I See You, Tasneem Gallery, Barcelona, Spain

2009 Joburg Art Fair, Johannesburg, South Africa, with October Gallery, London, UK

2008 Visions & Dreams, Tasneem Gallery, Barcelona, Spain
Joburg Art Fair, Johannesburg, South Africa, with October Gallery, London, UK
UK Spring Show, October Gallery, London, UK

1999 The Transvanguard, October Gallery, London, UK

1998 Colours of Africa, City Civic Center Hamilton, Toronto and Winnipeg, Canada (touring)

1997 IFA Gallery, Bonn, Germany

1995 Setagaya Art Museum, Tokyo, Japan (touring)

1993 French Cultural Centre, Cotonou, Benin
Six African Artists, October Gallery, London, UK

1992 WIPO, Geneva, Switzerland

1989 World Bank Art Society, Washington D.C., USA

1985 Studio Musuem, Harlem, New York, USA

Awards

1998 Flagstar Award by ACRAG (the Arts Critics and Reviewers Association of Ghana)

2007 The order of the Volta in Ghana.

2010 The Millennium Excellence Award

Collections

AAI African-American Institute Head Office, New York, USA

Africa Centre, London, UK

Commonwealth Foundation, London, UK

Iris & B. Gerald Cantor Center for Visual Arts, Stanford University, California, USA

Kosmos Energy, Texas, USA

National Gallery of Modern Art, Lagos, Nigeria

National Gallery of Zimbabwe, Harare, Zimbabwe

O'Hare International Airport (mural), Chicago, USA

Ohio State University International House, Columbus, USA

Royal Collection of Prince and Princess Takamado, Tokyo, Japan

Tullow Oil PLC, London, UK

UNESCO Headquarters, Paris, France Visiting Arts, London, UK

World Bank, Washington D. C., USA



Open Market, 2016

Oil on Canvas

76.2x76 cm



Open Market, 2011
Oil on Canvas
152.4x101.6cm



Open Market, 2015

Oil on Canvas

127x101.6cm



Untitled, 2014
Oil on Canvas
76.2x101.6cm



Untitled, 2020
Oil on Canvas
76.2x152.4cm



Yellow Forest, 2020

Oil on Canvas

101.6x152.4cm



Untitled, 2014

Oil on Canvas

76.2x152.4cm



Market Watch, 2013

Oil on Canvas

76.2x101.6cm



Untitled, 2020
Oil on Canvas
76.2x101.6cm



Untitled, 2015
Oil on Canvas
76.2x101.6cm