National Portrait Gallery

The National Portrait Gallery is an art gallery in London, England, housing a collection of portraits of historically important and famous British people. It was the first portrait gallery in the world when it opened in 1856.

The gallery moved in 1896 to its current site at St Martin's Place, off Trafalgar Square, and adjoining the National Gallery. It has been expanded twice since then.

The National Portrait Gallery (NPG) also has three regional outposts at Beningbrough Hall, Bodelwyddan Castle and Montacute House. It is unconnected to the Scottish National Portrait Gallery in Edinburgh, with which its remit overlaps.

The gallery is a non-departmental public body sponsored by the Department for Culture, Media and Sport.

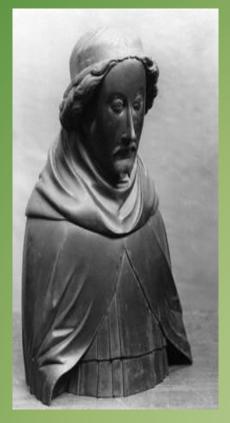


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Charlotte, Emily and Anne, or a sculpture of Queen Victoria and Prince
Albert in medieval costume. Portraits of living figures were altowed from 1989
In addition to its permanent galleries of historical portraits, the National
Portrait Gallery exhibits a rapidly changing collection of contemporary work,
stages exhibitions of portrait art by individual artists and hosts the annual BP



King Edward II



King Richard II



King Henry IV



John Astley





Thomas Howard







Mary Nevill, Lady Dacre

Sir Henry Unton





Thomas Howard

King Charles II



King Charles I



Henrietta Maria



Sir Theodore Turquet de Mayerne



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James Scott

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