

The Shadow of Slave Trading on Contemporary Art and Design



Exhibition organised by the V&A, London

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## UNCOMFORTABLE TRUTHS

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30 June - 2 September 2007

2007 marks the 200th anniversary of the parliamentary abolition of the transatlantic slave trade.

**Uncomfortable Truths** features new and specially commissioned work by leading and emerging international artists highlighting an uncomfortable relationship between art and design and slavery.

The wealth that the slave trade generated was important in the patronage of British art and design and this exhibition seeks to confront and raise questions about this problematic and uncomfortable legacy.

The cross-cultural experience of the transatlantic slave trade is reflected by the

choice of artists who are from the UK, Africa, Europe and the USA, including Michael Paul Britto, Lubaina Himid, Christine Meisner, Yinka Shonibare MBE and Fred Wilson.

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**EXHIBITION TALK** 14th July at 2pm

Zoe Whitley, V&A Curator, will be talking about the historic significance of the abolition of the slave trade and marking this through the eyes of contemporary international artists.

Free event, with refreshments provided.

**Opening Times** 

Mon - Fri 10am - 4.45pm Sat & Sun

FREE ENTRANCE GIFT SHOP

Salford Museum & Art Gallery Crescent, Peel Park, Salford M5 4WU

Information 0161 778 0800 www.salford.gov.uk/salfordmuseum

CAFÉ OPEN 10am - 3.30pm weekdays Fully accessible for wheelchair users

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Sir Foster Cunliffe, Playing Yinka Shonibare MBE

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