

# RICHARD GREEN

KEN HOWARD OBE RA

London 1932 - 2022 Cornwall

Ref: CL 3846

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*Venice, chiaroscuro*



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Signed lower right: *Ken Howard*; titled on the stretcher

Oil on canvas: 40 x 48 in / 101.6 x 121.9 cm

Frame size: 56 ½ x 48 ½ in / 143.5 x 123.2 cm

Painted *circa* 2004

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## *Provenance:*

Richard Green, London, directly from the artist, January 2005;  
Private collection, acquired from the above in 2005

## *Exhibited:*

London, Richard Green, *Chiaroscuro: An exhibition of recent works by Ken Howard*, 23<sup>rd</sup> February-16<sup>th</sup> March 2005, no.67, illus. in colour p.73

'I believe Venice to be the most beautiful city in the world. So many painters have worked there including Corot, Boudin, Monet, Manet, Sargent, Sickert and Whistler, and all have said something different. Everyone should visit Venice at least once in their life, it is the only place I know where once can stand on one spot and see a composition at every turn. The light is magical, the architecture majestic and of course there are no cars. Venice is unique and will become more so as other cities become more and more alike.' Ken Howard, 2016

In this beautiful painting Ken Howard depicts one of the most celebrated views in Venice, the Grand Canal looking towards Santa Maria della Salute, the finest baroque church in the city and one of its most famous landmarks. The masterpiece of Baldassare Longhena, Santa Maria della Salute was dedicated to the Virgin in thanks for the delivery of Venice from the plague of 1630 and finally consecrated in 1687. The octagonal entrance, with its wonderful curved buttresses, echoes the shape of the Virgin's crown, identifying her as Queen of Heaven; a statue of the Virgin as *Capitana da mar*, with her baton of office, crowns the lantern of the dome.

## **Biographical chronology**

1932	Ken Howard born in London
1949-53	Studied at the Hornsey School of Art
1952	First exhibited at the Royal Academy
1953-55	National Service in the Royal Marines
1955-58	Studied at the Royal College of Art
1958-59	British Council Scholarship to Florence
1959	First exhibited at the New English Art Club First exhibited at 147 New Bond Street
1962	Elected member of the New English Art Club
1966	Elected member of the Royal Institute of Oil Painters First prize Lord Mayor's Art Award

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- 1969 First prize Arundel Art Centre
- 1973 Appointed official artist in Ireland by the Imperial War Museum
- 1978 Prize winner John Moores Exhibition
- 1979 Elected member of the Royal Society of Painters in Watercolours  
Prize winner John Laing Exhibition
- 1981 Elected member of the Royal West of England Academy
- 1982 First prize Hunting Group Awards
- 1983 Associate Member of the Royal Academy  
Prize winner Royal West of England Academy
- 1985 Critics' prize, Sparkasse Karlsruhe
- 1986 Prize winner New English Art Club Centenary Exhibition
- 1988 Honorary Member of the Royal Society of British Artists  
Honorary Member of the Royal Institute of Oil Painters
- 1991 Member of the Royal Academy
- 1998 President of the New English Art Club
- 2001 Critics' prize New English Art Club 2001
- 2004 Elected Royal Academy Professor of Perspective
- 2006 Elected fellow of the Royal Institute of Oil Painters
- 2007 Appointed Freeman of the City of London, Liveryman Painter Stainers
- 2008 Honorary Member of the Society of Graphic Fine Art
- 2010 Awarded OBE for services to Art in the Queen's Birthday Honours
- 2011 Publication of *Light and Dark: The Autobiography of Ken Howard RA*
- 2013 Publication of *Ken Howard's Switzerland: In the Footsteps of Turner*

## One Man Exhibitions

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- 1955 Plymouth Art Centre
- 1966 John Whibley Gallery, London
- 1968 John Whibley Gallery, London
- 1971 New Grafton Gallery, London
- 1972 Plymouth Art Gallery – Retrospective Exhibition
- 1974 New Grafton Gallery, London
- 1976 New Grafton Gallery, London
- 1978 New Grafton Gallery, London
- 1979 New Metropole, Folkestone  
Hong Kong Art Centre  
St Helier Gallery
- 1980 St Helier Gallery
- 1981 New Grafton Gallery, London
- 1982 Nicosia
- 1983 Delhi 1983
- 1984 New Grafton Gallery, London  
St Helier Gallery
- 1985 New Grafton Gallery, London
- 1986 Linton Court Gallery
- 1987 Lowndes Lodge Gallery, London  
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- 1989 Lowndes Lodge Gallery, London
- 1990 New Grafton Gallery, London  
Lowndes Lodge Gallery, London
- 1991 Lowndes Lodge Gallery, London  
Brian Sinfield Gallery, Gloucestershire
- 1992 Lowndes Lodge Gallery, London
- 1993 New Grafton Gallery, London  
Brian Sinfield Gallery, Gloucestershire
- 1995 New Grafton Gallery, London  
Brian Sinfield Gallery, Gloucestershire
- 1997 New Grafton Gallery, London
- 1998 The Everard Read, Johannesburg
- 2000 New Grafton Gallery, London  
The Everard Read Gallery, Cape Town

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- 2002 Richard Green, London
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- 2011 Richard Green, London
- 2013 Richard Green, London
- 2015 Richard Green, London
- 2016 Richard Green, London
- 2017 Richard Green, London

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## **Works by Ken Howard can be seen in the following public collections:**

The Regimental Museum of The 13<sup>th</sup>/18<sup>th</sup> Royal Hussars (QMO) and The Light Dragoons, Barnsley  
Ulster Museum, Belfast  
Boston Manor House, Brentford  
Brighton & Hove Museums  
Royal West of England Academy, Bristol  
National Trust, St Michael's Mount, Cornwall  
Royal Military Police Museum, Fareham  
Rushmore Borough Council Offices, Farnborough  
Durrell Wildlife Conservation Trust, Les Augrès Manor, Jersey  
Jersey Museum, Art Gallery & Victoria House  
The Royal Court House, Jersey  
Guildhall Art Gallery, London  
The Imperial War Museum, London  
The National Army Museum, London  
Parliamentary Art Collection, London  
The Postal Museum, London  
Royal Academy of Arts, London  
The Royal Chelsea Hospital, London  
The Ruth Borchard Collection, London  
The Box, Plymouth  
Sheffield Art Gallery  
Somerset Museums Service  
Beecroft Art Gallery, Southend  
Windsor and Royal Borough Museum

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