Five best London shows

By Tom Lubbock

Radical Light National Gallery Segantini, Volpodo, Previati? Discover the Italian Divisionists, who, circa 1900, linked their pointillist painting techniques with left-wing politics. To 7 Sept.

Wyndham Lewis National Portrait Gallery This greatest English Modernist was one of the best portrait painters ever. Includes his masterpiece image of T S Eliot, not seen here for 25 years. To 19 Oct.

Martin Creed Tate Britain The Ironic artist fills Tate Britain's central Duveen Galleries with athletes running up and down in relays. To 16 Nov.

Pont Cartoon Museum Work by Pont (the short-lived Graham Laidler), one of the finest cartoonists from Punch's golden age between the wars. To 27 Jul.

Nowhere Is Here The Drawing Room Five artists from around the world explore the natural environment, in memory, in fantasy, and extremely literally. To 20 Jul.

...and around the country

Art in the Age of Steam Walker Art Gallery, Liverpool A terrific anthology show: the train in pictures, with Monet, van Gogh, Hopper, and Manet. To 10 Aug.

Gwen John Barber Institute of Fine Art, Birmingham The quiet mouse of 20th-century British art. This show focuses on her passionate attachment to the Catholic Church. To 21 Sept.

Ben Nicholson Abbot Hall, Kendal Famed for his pure and wiry-lined abstractions, Ben Nicholson appears here as an artist of place, attached to particular areas of England. To 20 Sept.


Antony Gormley St Helens College One of the hits of the 1990s: a sea of 40,000 pint-sized clay folk—obedient, expectant, all eyes, stopping dead in a line at your feet. To 23 Aug.

Camden Arts Centre Anya Gallaccio Sculptural Installations. Tue-Sun 10am-6pm (Wed to 9pm), ends 14 Sept. Free, Arworth Road, NW3 (020-7472 5500) Hampstead.

Cartoon Museum Pont: Observing the British at Home and Abroad See Five Best, Left. Tue-Sat 10am-5:30pm. Sun 12noon-5:30pm, ends 27 Jul. £4, concs £3. National Gallery, Trafalgar Square, WC2 (020-7322 2222) Holborn.


Galway Art Gallery Philip Eglin Contemporary Ceramics. Tue-Sat 10am-6pm, ends 27 Jul. Free, Great Russell Street, WC1 (020-7324 6366) Beaconsfield.

Design Museum Tim Walker: A retrospective of work by the famous photographer. Mon-Sun 10am-5:30pm, ends 5 Oct, £5, E3, concessions £3. Shoreditch, E1 (020-3322 2222) Tower Hill.

The Drawing Room Where Is Here? See Five Best, Left. Thu-Sun 10am-6pm, ends 20 Aug, Free, Jersey Arts, Laburnum Street, SW1 (020-7729 5243) Bethnal Green.


Eagle Gallery Charlotte Gormley: Paintings and Monoprints. Tue-Sat 10am-6pm, ends 20 Aug, £5, Concession £3, Bermondsey, SE1 (020-7729 5243) Bermondsey.

Eleven Jim Stoddart Photography of World Festivals. Tue-Sat 10am-6pm (Thu to 7pm), Sun 11am-4pm, ends 2 Aug, Free, Elephant & Castle, SE1 (020-7833 2674) Elephant.

Fine Art Society empathies: Paintings and Monoprints. Tue-Sat 10am-6pm, ends 14 Aug, £5, Concession £3, Bermondsey, SE1 (020-7729 5243) Bermondsey.

GETTY Images Gallery Capturing Film History in the Making: Photographs showing film stars and production at Pinewood, Shepperton and Beddington Studios. Mon-Sat 10am-6pm, Sun 12noon-6pm, £2, £1. Shepperton Studio, M3 (020-7291 5000) Oxford Circus.

Goethe Institute David Richard: An installation exploring the human relationship with space. Mon-Sat 10am-6pm, Sun 12noon-6pm, £2, £1. Goethe Institute, M3 (020-7291 5000) Oxford Circus.

Hauch von Venison Ikon Collaboration: Installations including a large screen projection and teapot sculptures. Tue-Sat 10am-6pm (Thu to 7pm), Sun 12noon-6pm, £3. £2, Concession £1. Hauch von Venison, M3 (020-7291 5000) Oxford Circus.

The Hayward Gallery Psycho Buildings: Artists and Architecture Site-specific Installations. Mon-Sun 10am-6pm, £3, £2, £1 con. £5. £4, £3 con. £1. The Hayward, SE1 (020-7315 3335) Clapham.

Ica Gallery Jang Le Chi and Alex Rich Works inspired by the history of writing and drawing machines. Mon-Sun 10am-6pm, £3, £2, £1 con. £5. £4, £3 con. £1. The Hayward, SE1 (020-7315 3335) Clapham.

James Hyman Gallery Linda McCartney: Platinum prints of landscapes, interiors, and portraits. Tue-Sat 10am-6pm, £3, £2, £1 con. £5. £4, £3 con. £1. The Hayward, SE1 (020-7315 3335) Clapham.

Kate MacGarry Swiss Reflecting Elephants Works by Varda Bany, Renee Son and Rose Wyke. Sun-Sat 10am-6pm, £3, £2, £1 con. £5. £4, £3 con. £1. The Hayward, SE1 (020-7315 3335) Clapham.

Lauderdale House Charlotte Gomme: Paintings and Monoprints. Tue-Sat 10am-6pm, free weekend times, £3, £2, £1 con. £5. £4, £3 con. £1. The Hayward, SE1 (020-7315 3335) Clapham.

Lisson Gallery Sponsorship Site-specific Installations, Shirinazhe Hazlith: Large-scale monochromatic paintings and prints. Mon-Sat 10am-6pm, £3, £2, £1 con. £5. £4, £3 con. £1. The Hayward, SE1 (020-7315 3335) Clapham.