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**DR. SAMUEL ROSS MBE**

Present       Lives and works in London, UK

2021         Honorary Ph.D., University of Westminster

2015         Launched A-COLD-WALL\*

2012         B.A., Graphic Design & Illustration, De Montfort University

1991         Born in Brixton, London, UK

**Select Exhibitions**

2023         *Multihyphenation*, Harvard University Graduate School of Design, Cambridge, MA  
*Samuel Ross: COARSE*, Friedman Benda, New York, NY  
*Inside the White Cube*, White Cube Bermondsey, London, UK  
*Mirror Mirror: Reflections on Design at Chatsworth*, Chatsworth House, Derbyshire, UK

2022         *Fashion design: Samuel Ross / A-COLD-WALL\**, Victoria & Albert Museum, London, UK

2021         *Samuel Ross* solo booth, Design Miami/, Miami, FL  
*Sneaker Unboxed: Studio to Street*, Design Museum, London, UK

**Public Projects**

*CAUCUS*, installed at Mitre Square, London, as part of Sculpture in the City 13th Edition, 2023.

*EXPRESSION.SERVICE.ESSENCE*, a series of 12 benches place around the Design District, Miami, Florida, 2023.

**Museum Collections**

Dallas Museum of Art, Dallas, TX ('TRAUMA CHAIR')

Denver Art Museum, Denver, CO ('Jut, impale, emerge')

Design Museum, London, UK (Sneakers Unboxed garments and footwear designs)

The Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, NY ('ANAESTHESIA I')

Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, TX ('TRAUMA CHAIR')

National Museum of Scotland, Edinburgh, UK (A-COLD-WALL\* collection 'Birth, Organ, Synth')

Victoria & Albert Museum, London, UK (A-COLD-WALL\* 'Coverge Gilet')

## Honors & Awards

2024	Design Miami.Basel – Best Contemporary Design Object
2023	Member of the Order of the British Empire (MBE) for services to fashion
2022	London Chamber Black Excellence Award – Outstanding Contribution to Fashion Soho House Award – Established Change-maker Award
2021	British Fashion Award – Leader of Change Award
2020	Honorary PhD appointed by the University of Westminster – ‘Doctor of Arts’ British Fashion Award – People of the Year (Philanthropy) GQ USA Fashion Award
2019	International Woolmark Prize 2020 BFC Newgen 2019/2020 recipient BFC GQ Fashion Fund Award Forbes 30 Under 30 Europe Hublot LVMH Design Prize
2018	BFC Newgen 2018/2019 recipient Andam Grand Prize – Nominee LVMH Prize – Finalist
2017	British Fashion Award – Emerging Talent Menswear – Winner BFC Newgen 2017/2018 recipient

## Select Press

### 2024

Sacal, Andrea. “Samuel Ross Brings His Signature Utility to ZARA With SR\_A Line,” *Hypebeast*, October 8, 2024.

Zhang, Tianwei. “A-Cold-Wall Founder Returns to Fashion With SR\_A, Samuel Ross\_Atelier,” *WWD*, September 5, 2024.

### 2023

Prempeh, Charlene. “Samuel Ross – master of the multidisciplinary space,” *Financial Times*, March 23, 2023.

Tesler, Francesca. “Chatsworth House exhibition is a collision of past and present,” *Dezeen*, March 30, 2023.

Madlener, Adrian. “How can you make an English manor filled with old masters feel contemporary? At Chatsworth House, the answer is cutting-edge design,” *artnet*, March 17, 2023.

Bertoli, Rosa. “Chatsworth House design exhibition explores contemporary design themes in an eclectic setting,” *Wallpaper\**, March 16, 2023.

Patel, Sanj. “Samuel Ross, British fashion hero, talks Virgil’s impact, Dr. Martens & finding inspiration in Brutalism,” *Complex UK*, January 17, 2023.

“Dr. Samuel Ross: Material Study for Social Architecture,” *DSCENE*, Issue 18, January 2023.

## **2022**

Leitch, Luke. “Samuel Ross on artistic expression, his work as a sculptor and Virgil Abloh’s final Louis Vuitton collection,” *British GQ*, May 3, 2022.

Taylor, Elise. “The Black Furniture Designers and Ceramicists You Should Know Now,” *Vogue*, February 10, 2022.

## **2021**

Ross, Samuel. “Op-ed: Virgil Abloh dissolved ‘barriers of entry’ with joy and optimism,” *CNN*, December 6, 2021.

Baumgardner, Julie. “Designer Samuel Ross takes His Friends with Him,” *Cultured* magazine, November 26, 2021.

Su, Sammy. “Samuel Ross Furniture Collection at Design Miami,” *Hypebeast*, November 16, 2021.

## **2020**

Azzarello, Nina. “Samuel Ross on Society, Socialist Value Systems, and Self for Friedman Benda’s ‘Design in Dialogue’,” *designboom*, October 13, 2020.

Macalister-Smith, Tilly. “Dual Purpose: David Adjaye and Samuel Ross talk anti-racism and creative futures,” *Wallpaper\**, September 2020.

## **2019**

Maoui, Zak. “Samuel Ross: I’m really just trying to echo our generation’s voice,” *GQ Britain*, April 10, 2019.

## **2018**

Singer, Olivia. “Samuel Ross, designer of A-Cold-Wall\*, talks streetwear and breaking down social barriers,” *Vogue UK*, December 10, 2018.