

## Flemming Rodian Profile



Flemming Rodian was a prominent Danish. Some of his paintings have been part of Hillside's private collection for some years.

His work is very methodical and his studio reflected that as did his sense of dress which was immaculate and colour co-ordinated topped with a fine hat. He had never been to the Isle of Wight so we were delighted when he came over in September 2013 and filled the walls of the Bistro with his fabulous paintings.

Those who came to the Bistro during the weekend he was here were fortunate to be able to talk to Flemming about his work over a glass of wine.

It seemed somehow appropriate to have his paintings and sculptures in the Bistro, the interior of which reflects the Danish owner's sense of style and attention to detail. Flemming's paintings are vibrant both in colour and mark making, ranging from large canvases to a wonderful collection of immaculately framed miniature canvases and beautifully executed cast iron sculptures.



His Paintings are inspired by his travels abroad. He visited large cities such as Rome, Paris, Berlin and San Francisco, where he saw peeling walls and torn posters on billboards. He used these in his work and often titled the paintings after the street where he found them.

Flemming Rodian was born in Denmark in 1944. He debuted in 1969 at Charlotte's Spring Exhibition and Artist's autumn exhibition and since then has exhibited extensively at home and abroad.

Flemming works include painting, collage, graphics and sculptures, which are cast iron or bronze. His idiom is non-figurative but based on observations of nature.

Previously, Flemming was in the Sculpture Biennale in King's Garden, Copenhagen, with his great Lemon cast.

Flemming Rodian has received several honours and grants including New Carlsberg Foundation, National Bank and Kastrup Farm Collection.

The exhibition at Hillside Bistro shows recent work carried out in Rome and Paris.

You can see more of Flemming's work at [www.flemmingrodian.dk](http://www.flemmingrodian.dk)