

Blair Thurman

Born 1961 in New Orleans, USA
Lives and works in New York, USA

1988 Master of Fine Arts, University of Massachusetts at Amherst, USA
1984 Bachelor of Fine Arts, Nova Scotia College of Art and Design, Halifax, Canada

solo shows

2019 "Blair Thurman", The Journal, New York, USA
2018 "Blair Thurman" (with Justin Adian), galerie lange + pult, Zurich, Switzerland
"Blair Thurman: Nell'Acqua Azzurra", Garage Italia, Milan, Italy
"Blair Thurman – Exquisite Course", Peres Projects Berlin, Berlin, Germany
2017 "Blair Thurman", Gagosian Gallery, Geneva, Switzerland
"Alpine Stereo", Andrea Caratsch Gallery, St. Moritz, Switzerland
2016 "Blair Thurman", Frank Elbaz Gallery, Dallas, Texas, USA
"Blair Thurman – Mature Blonde", Almine Rech Gallery, London, England
2015 "Honeybadgers by Blair Thurman", Oklahoma City Museum of Art, Oklahoma City, USA
"Blair Thurman", Peres Projects, Berlin, Germany
2014 "Blair Thurman", galerie lange + pult, Zurich, Switzerland
"Blair Thurman", Gagosian Gallery, New York, USA
"Blair Thurman", Frank Elbaz Gallery, Paris, France
"Blair Thurman", Magasin CNAC, Grenoble, France
2013 "Blair Thurman", Gasser & Grunert, New York, USA
"Blair Thurman", KARMA, Amagansett, New York, USA
2012 "Blair Thurman", Frank Elbaz Gallery, Paris, France
2011 "Blair Thurman", Triple V, Paris, France
2010 "Aus Unseren Kellern / From Our Cellars", Gasser & Grunert, New York, USA
2009 "Color me gone", Evergreene, Geneva, Switzerland
"Blair Thurman", The Armory Show, New York, USA
"Tunnel at the End of the Light", Hard Hat, Geneva, Switzerland
2008 "Krumms Along the Mohawk", Frank Elbaz Gallery, Paris, France
"Supermodel", Triple V, Paris, France
"Valise Vieux Grenadiers", Hard Hat, Geneva, Switzerland
2007 "The Best Tan in Town!", Hubert Bächler Gallery, Zurich, Switzerland
2004 "They're Always After My Lucky Charms", Hubert Bächler Gallery, Zurich, Switzerland
2003 "Prosciutto di Parma", Arte e ricambi, Verona, Italy
2001 "Blair Thurman", Circuit, Lausanne, Switzerland
1999 "Ecart", Art Statements Art Basel, Basel, Switzerland
1998 "Blair Thurman", T.Z. Art, New York, USA
1996 "Blair Thurman", Holly Solomon Gallery, New York, USA
1994 "Blair Thurman", Christophe Gossweiler, Zofingen, Switzerland
1992 "Blair Thurman & Steven Parrino", Speedway Gallery, New York, USA

group shows

2020 "The Crowning Show", galerie lange + pult, Zurich, Switzerland
"Pre Sent Tense", galerie Frank Elbaz, Dallas, USA
"All of the Above, 2011 - 2020", Kanal - Centre Pompidou, Brussels, Belgium
"It never ends. John M Armleder & Guests.", Kanal – Centre Pompidou, Brussels, Belgium
"Millénials. Peintures 2000-2020", MÉCA, Bordeaux, France
"We Aim to Live. Contemporary Art from the Zuzans Collection", Zuzeum Art Centre, Riga, Latvia
"Restons Unis: Emmanuel", Galerie Perrotin, Paris, France
"None of the Above, 2004 - 2020", Kanal - Centre Pompidou, Brussels, Belgium
"Pink Noise", Almine Rech Gallery, Brussels, Belgium
"Matt Black X Gana Art: Reflections", Gana Art Center, Jongro-Gu, Seoul, South Korea
"Are You Familiar With Our Concept? ", CF Hill, Stockholm, Sweden
2019 "Daffon, Szarek, Thurman, Galerie Nikolaus Ruzicska, Vienna, Austria
"Modern and Contemporary Masterpieces from a Private Collection", Untilthen, Paris, France

- "The Abstract Cabinet", Eduardo Secci Contemporary, Florence, Italy
 "An Exhibition for Notre-Dame", Gagosian Gallery, Paris, France
 "Alentour", Fondation CAB, Brussels, Belgium
 "Rämistrasse 27", galerie lange + pult, Zurich, Switzerland
 "Ecart Booths at Art Basel, 1980 - 2019", MAMCO, Geneva, Switzerland
 "The Abstract Cabinet", Eduardo Secci Contemporary, Florence, Italy
 "An Exhibition for Notre-Dame", Gagosian Gallery, Paris, France
 2018 "Shaping the Canvas: L. Fontana, B. Thurman, N. Hlobo, D. Molzen". McCabe Fine Art, Stockholm, Sweden
 "Varia", Galerie Laurent Strouk, Paris, France.
 2017 "Sylvie Fleury / Olivier Mosset / Blair Thurman", galerie lange + pult, Auvornier, Switzerland
 "Zehn Jahre Zürich", galerie lange + pult, Zurich, Switzerland
 "Abstract / Not Abstract", Gagosian Gallery & Jeffrey Deitch, The Moore Building, Miami, USA
 "The Surface of the East Coast. From Nice to New York", curated by Marie Maertens, Ecole de Nice, France
 "Summer Sun", The Journal, Brooklyn, New York, USA
 "Feedback", curated by Leo Fitzpatrick, Marlborough Contemporary, New York, USA
 "RGB, NSP - David Malek, Mathieu Mercier, Olivier Mosset, Hugo Pernet, Delphine Reist, Sylvain Rousseau et Blair Thurman", TRIPLE V Gallery, Paris, France
 "Modern Sculpture", Casado Santapau Gallery, Madrid, Spain
 "Baudevin I Baum K Dafflon I Decrauzat I Thurman", Nikolaus Ruzicska Gallery, Austria
 "Paris Texas", Frank Elbaz Gallery, Dallas, Texas, USA
 "Color Block", Triple V Gallery, Paris, France
 "Erica Baum, Francis Baudevin, Stephane Dafflon, Philippe Decrauzat, Blair Thurman", Galerie Nikolaus Ruzicska, Salzburg, Austria
 2016 "QUIZ 2 - SUR UNE IDÉE DE ROBERT STADLER, WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF DESIGN CITY LUXEMBOURG",
 curated by Alexis Vaillant and Robert Stadler, Luxemburg
 "Monstres et Madones: Melissa Boucher, Victor Man, Blair Thurman, & Céline Vaché-Olivieri",
 curated by Ana "Mendoza-Aldana", Triple V Gallery, Paris, France
 "Dark Star: David Malek/Blair Thurman," Ribordy Contemporary, Geneva, Switzerland
 "GVA <-> JFK", curated by Lionel Bovier, MAMCO, Geneva, Switzerland
 "Blair Thurman/Philippe Decrauzat/Stephane Dafflon", Honolulu, Zurich, Switzerland
 "SHAPES MARY HEILMANN, SADIE LASKA, MATT RICH, KEITH SONNIER, BLAIR THURMAN",
 curated by Ellie Rines, Halsey McKay Gallery, East Hampton, USA
 "Carte blanche à Richard Fauguet", Artothèque du FRAC Limousin, France
 "Davide Balula, Kaz Oshiro, Bernard Piffaretti, Mungo Thomson, Blair Thurman", Frank Elbaz Gallery, Dallas, Texas, USA
 "Flatland: abstractions narratives", curated by Sarah Ihler-Meyer et Marianne Derrie,
 Musée Régional d'Art Contemporain (MRAC) Languedoc- Roussillon, France
 "Nice Weather", Skarstedt Fine Art, New York City, USA
 "Non figurative – un regain d'intérêt?", Abbaye Saint André, Contemporary Art Centre, Meymac, France
 "Le Tour de l'exposition", Triple V, Paris, France
 "In different Ways", Almine Rech Gallery, London, England
 "Inauguration", Triple V, Paris, France
 "Shrines to Speed – Art and the Automobile", Leila Heller Gallery, New York, USA
 2015 "Kunstlicht", galerie lange + pult, Zurich, Switzerland
 "The Living Room", curated by Samuel Grosse, Art Genève, Geneva, Switzerland
 "I am a passenger", Avoncampolin, Pordenone, Italy
 "Space Between", Flag Art Foundation, New York, USA
 "Sprayed", Gagosian Gallery, London, England
 "PARCOURS", curated by Florence Derieux, Art Basel, Basel
 "Space is the Place", Triple V Gallery, Paris, France
 "Accrochage", Frank Elbaz Gallery, Paris, France
 "Fantômes dans la machine", FRAC Limousin, Limoges, France
 "Summer Group Show", Gagosian Gallery, New York, USA
 "John Armleder, Stéphane Kropf, John Tremblay and guests Mai-Thu Perret & Blair Thurman", David Kordansky Gallery,
 Los Angeles, USA
 "An Imperious Desire of Space", Palette Terre, Paris, France
 "Chromofobia", Gagosian Gallery, Geneva, Switzerland
 "OYSTERS WITH LEMON", Ventana 244, New York, USA
 "Abstraction excentrique, géométrie comique", Le Garage, Brive, France
 "Rascal House (with J. Armleder, J. Adian, S. Kropf and E. Ruscha)", Half Gallery, New York, USA
 2014 "Circuit 2: Blair Thurman, John Armleder, Steven Parrino, Philippe Decrauzat, Didier Rittener, Luc Aubort",
 Artericambi, Verona, Italy
 "Portes ouvertes: Expositions – rencontres – multiples", Hard Hat, Geneva, Switzerland
 "Quiz", Ensemble Poirel, Nancy, France
 "That was Ken, This is Now (Olivier Mosset, Blair Thurman, Larry Bell)", Evergreene Studio, Los Angeles, USA
 "Roesler hotel #26-spectres", Nara Roesler Gallery, São Paulo, Brazil
 "Heart-Shaped Box", Frank Elbaz Gallery, Paris, France
 "POST-OP Perceptual Gone Painterly. 1958-2014", Perrotin Gallery, Paris, France
 2013 "A Passion for Jean Prouvé from Furniture to Architecture: The Collection of Laurence and Patrick Seguin",
 Pinacoteca Giovanni e Marella Agnelli, Turin, Italy
 "Sculpture after Artschwager", David Nolan Gallery, New York, USA
 "Spook Rock Road", Frank Elbaz Gallery, Paris, France

"Le Grand Tout", FRAC Limousin, Limoges, France
 "Mr I/John M Armleder", Graff Mourgue d'Algue, Geneva, Switzerland
 "Steven Parrino / Blair Thurman / Justin Adian", Half Gallery, New York, USA
 "The Show is Over", Gagosian Gallery, London, England
 "Group show", Frank Elbaz Gallery, Paris, France
 "Group Show", Gagosian Gallery, Hong Kong, China
 2012 "A Strangely Luminous Bubble LiveInYourHead", curated by Marta Riniker-Radich with Romain Hamard, Institut
 curatorial de la HEAD, Geneva
 "Nel Frattempo / Meanwhile", Ex Mercato della Frutta, Veggio Sul Mincio, Italy
 "Read Into It", Dorfman Projects, New York, USA
 "Mr I", Graff Mourgue d'Algue, Geneva, Switzerland
 "Science Fiction #3", Triple V Gallery, Paris, France
 Liste 17, Basel, Switzerland
 "Micro Mania", Gagosian Gallery, Paris, France
 2011 "The Old, The New, The Different", Kunsthalle Bern, Bern, Switzerland
 "Dystopia – CAPC", Contemporary Art Museum, Bordeaux, France
 "Session 4 / All Of The Above", Palais de Tokyo, Paris, France
 "Arabesque", Hubert Bächler Gallery, Zurich, Switzerland
 Art Basel Miami Beach, Miami, USA
 "American exubérance", Rubell Family Collection / Contemporary Arts Foundation, Miami, USA
 2010 "Portrait de l'artiste en motocycliste", Fine Art Museum, La Chaux-de-Fonds, Switzerland
 "Radical Postures", Les Filles du Calvaire Gallery, Brussels, Belgium
 2009 "Born to Be Wild. Hommage and Steven Parrino", Kunstmuseum St. Gallen, St. Gallen, Switzerland
 "Une exposition de peinture", Zoo Gallery, Nantes, France
 "Portrait de l'artiste en motocycliste", MAGASIN-National Contemporary Art Centre, Grenoble, France
 "TOP 10 ALLEGORIES", Francesca Pia Gallery, Zurich, Switzerland
 "OFF THE WALL", Van de Weghe Fine Art, New York City, USA
 2008 "The Freak Show", Monnaie Museum, Paris, France
 "YESTERDAY - TODAY – TOMORROW", Hans Mayer Gallery, Düsseldorf, Germany
 "Non Objectif Sud 08", Non Objectif Sud (NOS), Tulette, France
 "Deformalismes", Praz-Delavallade Gallery, Berlin, Germany
 "La chute d'eau", Circuit, Lausanne, Switzerland
 "The Best is Yet to Come", Hubert Bächler Gallery, Zurich, Switzerland
 "Black Noise. Un hommage à Steven Parrino", CNEAL, Chatou, France
 "Déformations", Praz-Delavallade Gallery, Paris, France
 2007 "The Freak Show", Lyon Contemporary Art Museum, Lyon, France
 "MULTIMIMETICA", MAMCO, Geneva, Switzerland
 "Black Noise. A Tribute to Steven Parrino", MAMCO, Geneva, Switzerland
 "Introvert, Extrovert, Makes no Difference", Catherine Issert Gallery, Saint-Paul-de-Vence, France
 "Bastard Creatures", Palais de Tokyo, Paris, France
 "At home in the Universe", Mongin Art Centre, Seoul, Korea
 "Op-Ed World", Frank Elbaz Gallery, Paris, France
 "Half square half crazy", Villa Arson, Nice, France
 "Monster M. C.", Circuit, Lausanne, Switzerland
 Maravee, Venice, Italy
 2006 Dispatch, New York, USA
 "Dezember", Hubert Bächler Gallery, Zurich, Switzerland
 "Supernova", Domaine Pommery, Reims, France
 Ecart, Basel, Switzerland
 Art Crating, New York, USA
 "Dezember", Hubert Bächler Gallery, Zürich, Switzerland
 2005 "None of Above", Swiss Institute, New York, USA
 "For Steven Parrino", Ecart, Basel, Switzerland
 2004 "None of the above", Swiss Institute, New York, USA
 "Home Alone", Stiftung Starke, Berlin, Germany
 2003 "Dezember", Hubert Bächler Gallery, Zurich, Switzerland
 "The Return of the Creature", Künstlerhaus Palais Thurn & Taxis, Bregenz, Austria
 "404 Yellow Pages", Turmgalerie 333, Helmstedt, Germany
 "Uncrated", Spike Gallery, New York, USA
 2002 "BOMB", Brooklyn Front Gallery, New York, USA
 "Model Shop", Front Gallery, New York, USA
 2001 "Show World", Times Square, New York, USA
 2000 Art Basel, Basel, Switzerland
 "Silver and Hi-Tech", Kongsberg, Norway
 1999 "Bastard Kids of Drella, part 9", (curated by Steven Parrino), Le Consortium, Dijon, France
 "Last Chance Texaco", Jean Deaux, New York, USA
 "Drive In", Ville Arson, Nice, France
 1996 Holly Solomon Gallery, New York, USA
 1995 La Chaux-de-Fonds Museum, curated by Olivier Mosset, Switzerland
 1994 Art Miami, Miami, USA
 1991 The Gallery, New York, USA

public collections

Centre national des arts plastique, Paris, France.

Centre Georges Pompidou, Paris, France.

Circuit, Lausanne, Switzerland.

Le Consortium, Dijon, France.

Ecart, Geneva, Switzerland

Fonds municipal d'art contemporain (FMAC), Paris, France.

Fonds régional d'art contemporain Limousin, France.

Künstlerhaus Palais Thurn und Taxis, Bregenz, Austria.

Syz Collection, Switzerland.