

# Blair Thurman

## Biography

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

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### Education

- 1988 MFA, University of Massachusetts at Amherst, USA.  
1984 BFA, Nova Scotia College of Art and Design, Halifax, Canada.
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### Solo shows and participative projects

- 2022 *SPOOK ROCK ROAD/KASINO CUT*, Frac Normandie Caen, France  
*Grenadine Dreams*, Galerie Xippas, Geneva, Switzerland
- 2020 *Blair Thurman*, Galerie Frank Elbaz, Paris, France
- 2019 *Blair Thurman*, Galeria Mascota, Mexico, Mexico
- 2018 *Blair Thurman : Nell'Acqua Azzurra*, Garage Italia et Gagosian, Milan, Italy
- 2017 *Alpine Stereo*, galerie Andrea Caratsch, St Moritz, Switzerland  
*Blair Thurman*, Gagosian Gallery, Geneva, Switzerland
- 2016 *Blair Thurman*, galerie frank elbaz, Dallas, USA  
*Mature Blonde*, Almine Rech, London, United Kingdom
- 2015 *Honeybadgers*, Oklahoma City Museum of Art, Oklahoma City, USA  
*Blair Thurman*, Peres Projects, Berlin, Germany
- 2014 *Blair Thurman*, Gagosian Gallery, New York, USA  
*Blair Thurman*, galerie frank elbaz, Paris, France  
*Blair Thurman*, galerie Lange + Pult, Zürich, Switzerland  
*Blair Thurman*, Magasin CNAC, Grenoble, France
- 2013 *Blair Thurman*, Klemens Gasser & Tanja Grunert, New York, USA  
*Blair Thurman*, KARMA, Amagansett, New York, USA
- 2012 *Blair Thurman*, galerie frank elbaz, Paris, France
- 2011 *Blair Thurman*, Triple V, Paris, France
- 2010 *Aus Unseren Kellern / From Our Cellars*, Klemens Gasser & Tanja Grunert, New York, USA
- 2009 Solo show by Blair Thurman, *The Armory Show*, galerie frank elbaz, New York, USA  
*Never Bet the Devil Your Head*, Alexia Goethe Gallery, London, United Kingdom

- Tunnel at the End of the Light*, Hard Hat, Geneva, Switzerland  
*Color Me Gone*, Evergreene, Geneva, Switzerland  
*Vieux-Grenadiers*, Hard Hat, Geneva, Switzerland  
2008 *Krumms Along the Mohawk*, galerie frank elbaz, Paris, France  
*Blair Thurman – Supermodel*, Triple V, Dijon, France  
*Valise Vieux Grenadiers*, Hard Hat, Geneva, Switzerland  
2007 *The Best Tan in Town!*, Galerie Hubert Bächler, Zürich, Switzerland  
2004 *They're Always After My Lucky Charms*, Galerie Hubert Bächler, Zürich, Switzerland  
2003 *Blair Thurman*, Arte e Ricambi, Verona, Italy  
2001 *Blair Thurman et le Freistilmuseum*, Circuit, Lausanne, Switzerland  
1999 *Ecart*, Art 30'99 Basel, Statements section, Basel, Switzerland  
1998 T.Z. Art, New York, USA  
1996 Holly Solomon Gallery, New York, USA  
1994 Christophe Gossweiler, Zofingen, Switzerland

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### Group shows

- 2022 *No Country for Old Me*, Chasa Adam & Eva, Ardez, Switzerland.  
*Hippydrome* (curated by Vincent Pécoil), Frac Normandie Caen  
*An eeriness on the Plain*, 1301SW, Melbourne, Australia  
&, by John M. Armleder and Sophie Costes, MAMCO, Geneva, Switzerland
- 2021 *Hot Rods*, Olivier Mosset, Sylvie Fleury and Blair Thurman, ArtBasel Miami, special  
Galerie Lange & Pult presentation  
*L'éducation sentimentale*, Lemme Art Contemporain, Lausanne, Switzerland  
*Abstract Painting - 1960s to Today*, QG Gallery, Knokke, Belgium  
*x\_minmal*, Cassina Projects, Milan, Italy  
*Croci-Torti*, Parrino, Thurman (« T'as un beau châssis, tu sais ? »), Galerie Joy de Rouvre,  
Geneva, Switzerland
- 2020 *All of a Sudden*, Galeria Mascota, Aspen, United States  
*Pre sent tense*: William Leavitt, Ari Marcopoulos, Stefan Rinck, Mungo Thomson & Blair  
Thurman, Galerie Frank Elbaz, Dallas, Texas, United States  
*SITE: TURKEL HOUSE*, Library Street Collective, Detroit, Michigan, United States  
*Are You Familiar With Our Concept?* CF Hill, Stockholm, Sweden  
*Pink Noise*: John M. Armleder/Peter Schuyff/Blair Thurman, Galerie Almine Rech,  
Brussels, Belgium  
*Ecart AT ART BASEL* (1980 – 2019), MAMCO, Geneva, Switzerland
- 2019 *Reflections*, Matt Black x Gana Art, Gana Art Center, Seoul, South Korea  
Stephane Dafflon, Vincent Szarek, Blair Thurman, Galerie Ruzicska, Salzburg, Germany  
*The Abstract Cabinet*, Eduardo Secci Contemporary, Florence, Italy  
*Exhibition for Notre Dame*, Gagosian, Paris, France  
*Kunsthämmer I*, Lange & Pult, Auvernier, Switzerland  
*Alentour: A Project by John Armleder*, Fondation CAB, Brussels, Belgium  
Galerie Lange + Pult, Zurich, Switzerland
- 2018 *Letain Thurman Wadden*, McNamara Art Projects (in collaboration with Peres Projects,  
Berlin), Hong Kong  
*Abstract USA*, GQ Gallery, Brussels, Belgium  
*Shaping the Canvas*: Lucio Fontana, Blair Thurman, Nicholas Hlobo, Dianna Molzen,  
McCabe Fine Art, Stockholm, Sweden  
*Justin Adian / Blair Thurman*, Galerie Lange & Pult, Zurich, Switzerland  
*VARIA*, Galerie Laurent Strouk, Paris, France

- 2017 *ABSTRACT / NOT ABSTRACT*, Gagosian Gallery, Miami, United States  
*Sylvie Fleury, Olivier Mosset, Blair Thurman*, Galerie Lange & Pult, Auvernier, Switzerland  
*RGB, NSP*: David Malek, Mathieu Mercier, Olivier Mosset, Hugo Pernet, Delphine Reist, Sylvian Rousseau et Blair Thurman, Galerie Triple V, Paris, France  
*Summer Sun*, The Journal Gallery, Brooklyn, United States  
*Feedback*, Marlborough Contemporary (curated by Leo Fitzpatrick), New York, United States  
*The Surface of the East Coast. From Nice to New York*, Le 109, Nice, France  
*Zehn Jahre*, Galerie Lange & Pult, Zurich, Switzerland  
*Color Block*, Galerie Triple V, Paris, France  
*PARIS TEXAS*: Francis Alÿs, Davide Balula, Julie Cook, Christian Marclay, Robert Rauschenberg, Ed Ruscha, Blair Thurman, Galerie Frank Elbaz, Dallas, United States  
 Erica Baum, Francis Baudevin, Stephane Dafflon, Philippe Decrauzat, Blair Thurman, Galerie Nikolaus Ruzicska, Salzburg, Austria  
*Modern Sculpture*, Galeria Casado Santapau, Madrid, Spain
- 2016 *Flatland : abstractions narratives*, Musée régional d'art contemporain Languedoc Roussillon, Sérignan, France  
*Shapes*, Halsey Mckay, East Hampton, New York, United States  
*NON FIGURATIF – un regain d'intérêt ?*, Centre d'art contemporain, Meymac, France  
*SHRINES TO SPEED: Art And The Automobile: From The Minimal To The Postmodern*, Leila Heller Gallery, New York, United States  
*Blair Thurman/Philippe Decrauzat/Stephane Dafflon*, Honolulu, Zurich, Switzerland  
*Dark Star*: David Malek/Blair Thurman, Ribordy Contemporary, Geneva, Switzerland  
*GVA <-> JFK*, MAMCO, Geneva, Switzerland  
*Monstres et Madones : Melissa Boucher, Victor Man, Blair Thurman & Céline Vaché-Olivieri*, Triple V, Paris, France  
*Quiz 2 sur une idée de Robert Stadler*, MUDAM, Luxembourg  
*Nice Weather*, Skarstedt Gallery, New York, U United States  
*Inauguration au 5 rue du Mail*, Triple V, Paris, France  
*In Different Ways*, Almine Rech, London, United Kingdom
- 2015 *Space is the Place*, Triple V, Paris, France  
*Sprayed: Works from 1929-2015*, Gagosian , London, United Kingdom  
*Space Between*, FLAG Art Foundation, New York, USA  
*I am a passenger*, avoncampolin, Pordenone, Italy  
*An Imperious Desire of Space*, Palette Terre, Paris, France  
*John Armleder, Stéphane Kropf, John Tremblay, and guests Mai-Thu Perret & Blair Thurman*, David Kordansky Gallery, Los Angeles, United States  
*The Living Room*, artgenève, Geneva, Switzerland  
*Chromophobia*, Gagosian Gallery, Geneva, Switzerland  
*ABSTRACTION EXCENTRIQUE ET GÉOMÉTRIE COMIQUE : Œuvres des collections du FRAC-Artothèque du Limousin*, Le Garage, Brive, France  
*Oysters with lemon*, Ventana 244, New York, United States  
*Rascal House*, Half Gallery, New York, United States
- 2014 *That was Ken, This is Now*, Evergreene Studio, Malibu, United States  
*Circuit II*: Blair Thurman, John Armleder, Steven Parrino, Philippe Decrauzat, Didier Rittener, Luc Aubort, Galleria Artericambi, Verona, Italy  
*QUIZ*, Ensemble Poirel, Nancy, France  
*Heart-Shaped Box*, galerie frank elbaz, Paris, France  
*Spectres*, galerie Nara Roesler, Sao Paulo, Brazil  
*POST-OP Perceptual Gone Painterly. 1958-2014*, Galerie Perrotin, Paris, France
- 2013 *THE SHOW IS OVER*, Gagosian Gallery, London, United Kingdom  
*Sculpture after Artschwager*, David Nolan Gallery, New York, United States  
*Mr I / John M Armleder*, Graff Mourgue d'Algue, Geneva, Switzerland  
*Spook Rock Road*, Galerie Frank Elbaz, Paris, France  
*Le Grand Tout*, FRAC Limousin, Limoges, France

- Gagosian Gallery, Hong-Kong, China  
*Steven Parrino/Blair Thurman/Justin Adian*, Half Gallery, New York, United States  
*A Passion for Jean Prouvé from Furniture to Architecture: The Collection of Laurence and Patrick Seguin*, Pinacoteca Giovanni e Marella Agnelli, Torino, Italy
- 2012 *Nel Frattempo / Meanwhile* - Ex Mercato della Frutta, Valeggio Sul Mincio, Italy  
*Read Into It*, Dorfman Projects, New York, United States  
*Mr I*, Graff Mourgue d'Algue, Geneva, Switzerland  
*Science Fiction #3*, Triple V, Paris, France  
*Circuit at Liste 17*, Basel, Switzerland  
*Micro Mania*, Gagosian Gallery, Paris, France  
*The Old, The New, The Different*, Fondation Kunsthalle Bern, Switzerland
- 2011 *American Exuberance*, Rubell Family Collection / Contemporary Arts Foundation, Miami, United States  
*Dystopia*, CAPC Museum of Contemporary Art, Bordeaux, France  
*Arabesque*, Galerie Hubert Bächler, Zurich, Switzerland  
*Nel Frattempo/Meanwhile*, Ex Mercata della Frutta, Valeggio sul Mincio, Verona, Italy  
*Carte blanche à John M. Armleder: All of the Above*, Palais de Tokyo, Paris, France
- 2010 *Radical Postures*, Galerie Les filles du calvaire, Brussels, Belgium  
*NEO, GEO et CIE, L'Image de l'abstraction à la fin du XXème siècle*, FRAC Limousin, Limoges, France
- 2009 *OFF THE WALL*, Van de Weghe Fine Art, New York, United States  
*Portrait de l'artiste en motocycliste*, Musée des beaux-arts de La Chaux- de-Fonds, Neuchâtel, and Magasin-Centre National d'Art Contemporain de Grenoble, France  
*Une exposition de peinture*, Zoo Galerie, Nantes, France  
*Top 10 Allegories*, Francesca Pia gallery, Zürich, Switzerland  
*Born to Be Wild. Hommage à Steven Parrino*, Kunstmuseum Saint-Gall, Switzerland
- 2008 *Next : Yesterday, Today, Tomorrow*, Galerie Hans Mayer, Cologne, Germany  
*La Chute d'eau*, Circuit, Lausanne, Switzerland  
*The Freak Show*, Musée de la Monnaie, Paris, France  
*Black Noise. Un hommage à Steven Parrino*, CNEAI, Chatou, France and Mamco, Geneva, Switzerland  
*Déformalismes*, Galerie Praz-Delavallade, Paris, France
- 2007 *Bastard Creatures*, Palais de Tokyo, Paris, France  
*Half Square, Half Crazy*, Villa Arson, Nice, France  
*Monster M. C.*, Sign sculpture for Circuit, Lausanne, Switzerland  
*Op-Ed World* curated by Vincent Pécoil, galerie frank elbaz, Paris, France  
*The Freak Show*, MAC, Lyon, France  
Group show, Sagan Gallery, Seoul, South Korea  
*At Home In The Universe*, Mongin Art Center, Seoul, South Korea  
*Hard Hat at Dispatch*, Dispatch for Bureau, New York, United States
- 2006 *SuperNova* curated by Judicaël Lavrador, Domaine Pommery, Reims, France,  
*Art Crating*, Brooklyn, New York, United States  
*Dezember*, Galerie Hubert Bächler, Zürich, Switzerland
- 2005 *For Steven Parrino*, Ecart, Basel, Switzerland
- 2004 *None of Above*, Swiss institute, New York, United States  
*Home Alone*, Stiftung Starke, Berlin, Germany
- 2003 *Return of the Creature*, Künstlerhaus, Palais Thurn & Taxis, Bregenz, Austria  
*Uncrated*, Spike Gallery, New York, NY, USA  
*Dezember*, Galerie Hubert Bächler, Zuurich, Switzerland
- 2002 *BOMB*, Brooklyn Front Gallery, Brooklyn, United States  
*Model Shop*, Front Gallery, Brooklyn, United States
- 2001 *Show World Center*, Times Square, New York, United States
- 2000 *Art Basel 31*, Hyundai Gallery (Seoul), Basel, Switzerland  
*Silver and Hi-Tech*, Kongsberg, Norway
- 1999 *Bastard Kids of Drella*, Le Consortium, Dijon, France

- Last Chance Texaco*, Jean Deaux, Brooklyn, United States  
*Drive In*, Ville Arson, Nice, France  
1996 Holly Solomon Gallery, New York, United States  
1995 Musée La Chaux-de-Fonds, Switzerland  
*Transculture*, 46th Venice Biennale, Venice, Italy  
*Blind Beach*, Art Space HAP, Hiroshima, Japan  
1994 *Sculpture Art Miami*, Art Miami, Miami, United States  
1992 *Two-person show with Steven Parrino*, Speedway Gallery, New York, United States
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### Collections

ADAC (German Automobile Association), Munich, Germany  
American Embassy, Matamoros, Mexico  
Berezvedin Collection, Espacio 1414, Puerto Rico  
Centre national des arts plastique (CNAP), Paris, France  
Centre Georges Pompidou, Paris, France  
Circuit, Lausanne, Switzerland  
Le Consortium, Dijon, France  
Fonds municipal d'art contemporain (FMAC), Paris, France  
Fonds régional d'art contemporain Limousin, France  
Fonds régional d'art contemporain Normandie, Caen, France  
Künstlerhaus Palais Thurn und Taxis, Bregenz, Austria  
Mamco, Geneva, Switzerland  
The Rubell Museum, Miami, United States  
Syz Collection, Geneva, Switzerland  
Zusans Collection, Riga, Latvia