

## **Blair THURMAN**

(b. 1961 in New Orleans, US)  
Lives and works in New York, US

### **Education**

#### **1988**

University of Massachusetts at Amherst, US

#### **1984**

Nova Scotia College of Art and Design, Halifax, CA

### **Current Group Exhibition**

*Humain Autonome: Déroutes*, Musée d'Art Contemporain du Val-de-Marne (MAC VAL), Vitry-sur-Seine, FR

### **Upcoming Group Exhibition**

*Ô dingos, ô châteaux*, Château des Ravalet, Tourlaville, FR

### **Selected Solo Exhibitions**

#### **2022**

*Spook Rock Road (Kasino-Kut)*, Frac Normandie Caen, Caen, FR  
*Grenadine Dreams*, Xippas, Geneva, CH

#### **2019**

Mexico City Gallery Weekend, Galerie Mascota, Mexico City, MX  
The Journal Tribeca, New York, US

#### **2018**

*Exquisite Course*, Peres Projects, Berlin, DE  
*Project Room*, Gagosian, Paris, FR  
*Nell'Acqua Azzurra*, Garage Italia, Milan, IT

#### **2017**

*Alpine Stereo*, Galerie Andrea Caratsch, St. Moritz, CH  
Gagosian, Geneva, CH

#### **2016**

Galerie Frank Elbaz, Dallas, US  
*Mature Blonde*, Almine Rech Gallery, London, UK

#### **2015**

*Honeybadgers*, Oklahoma City Museum of Art, Oklahoma City, US

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## **2014**

Gagosian, Madison Ave, New York, US  
Galerie Frank Elbaz, Paris, FR  
Lange + Pult, Zurich, CH  
Magasin – Centre National d'Art Contemporain, Grenoble, FR

## **2013**

Klemens Gasser & Tanja Grunert, New York, US  
KARMA, Amagansett, US

## **2012**

Galerie Frank Elbaz, Paris, FR

## **2011**

Triple V, Paris, FR

## **2010**

*Aus Unseren Kellern / From Our Cellars*, Klemens Gasser & Tanja Grunert, Inc.,  
New York, NY

## **2009**

*Color Me Gone!*, Evergreene, Geneva, CH  
*Vieux-Grenadiers*, Hard Hat, Geneva, CH  
*Never Bet the Devil Your Head*, Alexia Goethe Gallery, London, UK

## **2008**

*Blair Thurman – Supermodel*, Triple V, Dijon, FR  
*Krumms Along the Mohawk*, Galerie Frank Elbaz, Paris, FR

## **2007**

*The Best Tan in Town!*, Galerie Hubert Bächler, Zurich, CH

## **2004**

*They're Always After My Lucky Charms*, Galerie Hubert Bächler, Zurich, CH

## **2003**

Arte e Ricambi, Verona, IT

## **2001**

*Blair Thurman et le Freistilmuseum*, Circuit, Lausanne, CH

## **1999**

*Écart*, Art 30'99 Basel, Statements section, Basel, CH

## **1998**

T.Z. Art, New York, US

## 1996

Holly Solomon Gallery, New York, US

## 1994

Christophe Gossweiler, Zofingen, CH

## Selected Group Exhibitions

### 2024

*Abstract*, Galerie Lange + Pult, Auvernier, CH

### 2023

*Naturaleza Abstracta*, curated by Manuel Neves, Xippas, Punta del Este, UY

*Proximities*, Pazo Fine Art, Kensington, US

*INTERSTELLAR*, Fondation Opale, Crans-Montana, CH

### 2022

*Elemental Perception*, Galloire, Dubai, AE

*Hippydrome*, Frac Normandie Caen, Caen, FR

### 2021

*x\_minimal*, curated Friederike Nymphius, Cassina Projects, Milan, IT

*Croci-Torti Parrino Thurman*, Galerie Joy de Rouvre, Geneva, CH

### 2020

*Are You Familiar With Our Concept?*, CF Hill, Stockholm, SE

*pre sent tense*, Galerie Frank Elbaz, Dallas, US

*SITE: Art and Architecture in the Digital Space*, Library Street Collective, Detroit, US

*All of a Sudden*, Galeria Mascota, Aspen, US

*Milléniales. Peintures 2000-2020*, curated by Vincent Pécoil, Frac Nouvelle-Aquitaine La MÉCA, Bordeaux, FR

*Ecart à Art Basel (1980 – 2019)*, organized by Lionel Bovier with Paul Bernard, Sophie Costes, Julien Fronsac, Elisabeth Jobin and Mai-Thu Perret, Musée d'Art moderne et contemporain (MAMCO), Geneva, CH

*Stephane Dafflon, Vincent Szarek & Blair Thurman*, Galerie Ruzicsk, Salzburg, AT

*Pink Noise*, curated by Bill Powers, Almine Rech, Brussels, BE

### 2019

*Reflections: Matt Black x Gana Art*, curated by Matt Black, Gana Art Center, Seoul, KR

*Abstract Cabinet*, Eduardo Secci Gallery, Florence, IT

*Exhibition for Notre Dame*, Gagolian, Paris, FR

*Kunstkammer I*, Lange & Pult, Auvernier, CH

*Alentour*, Fondation CAB, Brussels, BE

Lange & Pult, Zurich, CH

## 2018

*Letain Thurman Wadden*, McNamara Art Projects, Hong Kong, HK  
*Pop Minimalism | Minimalist Pop*, Deitch & Gagosian, Miami, US  
*Justin Adian - Blair Thurman*, Galerie Lange + Pult, Zurich, CH  
*Abstract USA*, QG Gallery, Brussels, BE  
*Blair Thurman*, Christophe Gosswiler, Zofingen, CH  
*Shaping The Canvas*, McCabe Fine Art, Stockholm, SE  
*Varia*, Galerie Laurent Strouk, Paris, FR

## 2017

*Summer Sun*, The Journal Gallery, New York, US  
*Feedback*, curated by Leo Fitzpatrick, Marlborough Contemporary, New York, US  
*Zehn Jahre Zürich*, Lange + Pult, Zurich, CH  
*PARIS TEXAS*, curated by Paul Galvez, Galerie Frank Elbaz, Dallas, US  
*Color Block*, Galerie Triple V, Paris, FR  
Group Exhibition, Galerie Nikolaus Ruzicska, Salzburg, AT  
*Modern Sculpture*, Galeria Casado Santapau, Madrid, ES  
*Flatland : abstractions narratives*, Musée régional d'art contemporain, Serignan, FR  
*Light Sculptures*, Galerie Lange + Pult, Auvernier, CH  
*Carte blanche a Richard Fauguet*, FRAC—Artothèque du Limousin, Limoges, FR  
*ABSTRACT / NOT ABSTRACT*, Presented by Larry Gagosian and Jeffrey Deitch, Moore Building, Miami, US

## 2016

*Shapes*, Halsey Mckay Gallery, New York, US  
*NON FIGURATIF – un regain d'intérêt?*, Centre d'Art Contemporain Meymac, Meymac, FR  
*SHRINES TO SPEED: Art and the Automobile: From the Minimal to the Postmodern*, Leila Heller Gallery, New York, US  
*Monstres et Madones: Melissa Boucher, Victor Man, Blair Thurman, & Céline Vaché-Olivieri*, Triple V, Paris, FR  
*Dark Star: David Malek/Blair Thurman*, Ribordy Contemporary, Geneva, CH  
GVA <-> JFK. MAMCO, Geneva, CH  
*Blair Thurman/Philippe Decrauzat/Stephane Dafflon*. Honolulu, Zurich, CH  
*Nice Weather*, Skarstedt Gallery, New York, US  
*Inauguration au 5 rue du Mail*, Triple V, Paris, FR  
*In Different Ways*, Almine Rech Gallery, London, UK

## 2015

*Space is the Place*, Triple V, Paris, FR  
*Sprayed: Works from 1929–2015*, Gagosian, London, UK  
*Space Between*, Flag Art Foundation, New York, US  
*I am a passenger*, avoncampolin, Pordenone, IT  
*An Imperious Desire of Space*, Palette Terre, Paris, FR  
*John Armleder, Stéphane Kropf, John Tremblay, and guests Mai-Thu Perret & Blair Thurman*, David Kordansky Gallery, Los Angeles, US  
*The Living Room*, Art Geneve, Geneva, CH  
*Chromophobia*, Gagosian, Geneva, CH  
*Abstraction excentrique, géométrie comique: Oeuvres des collections du FRAC-*

*ARTOTHÈQUE du Limousin*, Le Garage, Brive, FR  
*Rascal House*, Half Gallery, New York, US  
*Accrochage*, Galerie Frank Elbaz, Paris, FR

## 2014

*That was Ken, This is Now*, Evergreene Studio, Malibu, US  
*Circuit 2: Blair Thurman*, John Armleder, Steven Parrino, Philippe Decrauzat, Didier Rittener, Luc Aubort, Artericambi, Verona, IT  
*QUIZ*, Ensemble Poirel, Nancy, FR  
*Heart-Shaped Box*, Galerie Frank Elbaz, Paris, FR  
*Spectres*, Nara Roesler, Sao Paulo, BR  
*POST-OP Perceptual Gone Painterly, 1958-2014*, Perrotin, Paris, FR

## 2013

*THE SHOW IS OVER*, Gagosian, London, UK  
*Sculpture after Artschwager*, David Nolan Gallery, New York, US  
*Mr I / John M Armleder*, Graff Mourgue d'Algue, Geneva, CH  
*Spook Rock Road*, galerie frank elbaz, Paris, FR  
*Le Grand Tout*, FRAC Limousin, Limoges, FR  
Gagosian, Hong Kong, HK  
*Steven Parrino/Blair Thurman/Justin Adian*, Half Gallery, New York, US  
*A Passion for Jean Prouvé from Furniture to Architecture: The Collection of Laurence and Patrick Seguin*, Pinacoteca Giovanni e Marella Agnelli, Turin, IT

## 2012

*Read Into It*, Dorfman Projects, New York, US  
*Mr I*, Graff Mourgue d'Algue, Geneva, CH  
*Science Fiction #3*, Galerie Triple V, Paris, FR  
*Circuit*, Liste 17, Basel, CH  
*Micro Mania*, Gagosian, Paris, FR  
*THE OLD, THE NEW, THE DIFFERENT*, The Kunsthalle Bern Foundation, Bern, CH

## 2011

*American Exuberance*, Rubell Family Collection / Contemporary Arts Foundation, Miami, US  
*Dystopia*, CAPC Museum of Contemporary Art, Bordeaux, FR  
*Arabesque*, Galerie Hubert Bächler, Zurich, CH  
*Nel Frattempo/Meanwhile*, Ex Mercata della Frutta, Valeggio sul Mincio, Verona, IT  
*Carte Blanche à John M. Armleder: All of the Above*, Palais de Tokyo, Paris, FR

## 2010

*Radical Postures*, Galerie Les filles du calvaire, Brussels, BE  
*NEO, GEO et CIE*, L'image de l'abstraction à la fine du XXme siècle, FRAC Limousin, Limoges, FR

## 2009

*OFF THE WALL*, Van de Weghe Fine Art, New York, US  
*Born to Be Wild*, Kunstmuseum St. Gallen, CH

*Portrait de l'artiste en motocycliste / Portrait of the artist as a biker*, Musée des Beaux-arts de La Chaux-de-Fonds, Neuchatel, FR

*Top 10 Allegories*, Curated by Hard Hat, Geneva, for Galerie Francesca Pia, Zurich, CH

*Les David 2009*, Exposition des Artistes Nomines, Espace Pierre Cardin, Paris, FR

*Une exposition de peinture*, Zoo Galerie, Nantes, FR

## 2008

*The Best is Yet to Come*, Galerie Hubert Bächler, Zurich, CH

*Next: Yesterday, Today, Tomorrow*, Galerie Hans Mayer, Cologne, DE

*La Chute d'eau*, Circuit, Lausanne, CH

*The Freak Show*, Musée de la Monnaie, Paris, FR

*Marque Noire: Black Noise, Un hommage à Steven Parrino*, CNEAI, Chatou, FR

*Déformalismes*, Galerie Praz-Delavallade, Paris, FR

*NOS 2008*, Non-Objectif Sud, Tulette, FR

## 2007

*Black Noise: A tribute to Steven Parrino*, Mamco, Geneva, CH

*Bastard Creatures*, Palais de Tokyo, Paris, FR

*Half Square, Half Crazy*, Villa Arson, Nice, FR

*Monster M.C.* Sign sculpture for Circuit, Lausanne, CH

*Op-Ed World*, galerie frank elbaz, Paris, FR

*The Freak Show*, MAC, Lyon, FR

Group show, Sagan Gallery, Seoul, KO

*At Home in The Universe*, Mongin Art Center, Seoul, KO

*Introvert/Extrovert: Makes No Difference*, Galerie Catherine Issert, St. Paul de Vence, FR

*Lux*, Magazzini del Sale e giardini di Villa Ottelio-Savorgnan, Ariis di Rivignano, Venice, IT

*Hard Hat at Dispatch*, Dispatch for Bureau, New York, US

## 2006

*Ecart*, Basel, CH

*SuperNova*, Domaine Pommery, Reims, FR

*Art Crating*, Brooklyn, New York, US

*Dezember*, Galerie Hubert Bächler, Zurich, CH

## 2005

*For Steven Parrino*, Ecart, Basel, CH

## 2004

*None of Above*, Swiss Institute, New York, US

*Home Alone*, Stiftung Starke, Berlin, DE

## 2003

*Return of the Creature*, Künstlerhaus, Palais Thurn & Taxis, Bregenz, AT

*Uncrated*, Spike Gallery, New York, US

*Dezember*, Galerie Hubert Bächler, Zurich, CH

## 2002

*BOMB*, Brooklyn Front Gallery, New York, US

*Model Shop*, Front Gallery, New York, US

## **2001**

*Show World Center*, New York, US

## **2000**

Art Basel 31, Hyundai Gallery (Seoul), Basel, CH

*Silver and Hi-Tech*, Norsk Bergverksmuseum/Kongsberg Kunstforening, Kongsberg, NO

## **1999**

*Bastard Kids of Drella*, Le Consortium, Dijon, FR

*Last Chance Texaco*, Jean Deaux, New York US

*Drive In*, Ville Arson, Nice, FR

## **1996**

Holly Solomon Gallery, New York, US

## **1995**

Musée La Chaux-de-Fonds, CH

*Transculture*, 46th Venice Biennale, Venice, IT

*Blind Beach*, Art Space HAP, Hiroshima, JP

*Incidental Alterations: P.S. 1 Studio Artists 1994-95*, The Angel Orensanz Foundation, New York, US

## **1994**

*Sculpture Art Miami*, Art Miami, Miami, US

## **1992**

Two person show with Steven Parrino, Speedway Gallery, Boston, MA

## **1991**

The Gallery, New York, US

## **Selected Collections**

Musée d'art moderne et contemporain (MAMCO), Geneva, CH

Centre Georges Pompidou, Paris, FR

Centre national des arts plastique, Paris, FR

Fonds régional d'art contemporain, Limousin, FR

Syz Collection, Geneva, CH

Circuit, Lausanne, CH

Le Consortium, Dijon, FR

Fonds municipal d'art contemporain (FMAC), Paris, FR

Künstlerhaus Palais Thurn und Taxis, Bregenz, AT

## Selected Publications

### 2023

*Peres Projects at 20 Years*, Berlin: Peres Projects, 2023

### 2021

Pierre, Arnauld and Rousseau, Pascal, *L'Abstraction*, Paris: Éditions Citadelles & Mazenod, 2021

### 2020

Umstätter, Gabriel, *Une collection: La donation Olivier Mosset*, Mian: Silvana Editoriale, 2020

### 2015

Pécoil, Vincent, *Blair Thurman*, Exh. cat., New York: Karma, 2015

Corbett, John and de Monchaux, Nicholas, *Sprayed: works from 1929 to 2015*, Exh. cat., London: Gagosian, 2015

### 2013

Nickas, Bob, Troncy, Éric et al, *La Salle de bains - Depuis 1999*, Exh. cat., Paris: CNAP, 2013

Aldana, Ana Mendoza, *The Floating Admiral*, Exh. cat., Paris: Palais de Tokyo, 2013

### 2011

Von Schlegell, Mark, *New Dystopia*, Exh. cat., Berlin: Sternberg Press; Bordeaux: CAPC Museum of Contemporary Art of Bordeaux, 2011

### 2009

Falconer, Morgan, *Blair Thurman: never bet the devil your head*, Exh. cat., London: Alexia Goethe Gallery, 2009

Bitterli, Konrad, Gatsas, Georg et al, *Born To Be Wild: Homage to Steven Parrino*, Vienna: Verlag für moderne Kunst, 2009

*Top 10 Allegories*, Exh. cat., Zurich: Galerie Francesca Pia, 2009

### 2008

Wahler, Marc-Olivier, Grossi, Frédéric and Soulier, Émile, *Du yodel à la physique quantique...*, Volume 1: *Dictionnaire d'une année du Palais de Tokyo*, Paris: Archibooks, 2008

Denan, Pierre, *2870 Grams of Art*, Paris: M19 Editions, 2008

### 2007

Armleder, John, Granat, Amy and Perret, Mai-Thu, *Black Noise*, Geneva: Ecart Publications, 2007

Aldrich, Richard, *La Marque Noire: Steven Parrino Retrospective, Prospective*, Exh. cat., Paris: Palais de Tokyo, 2007

Pécoil, Vincent, *The Freak Show*, Exh. cat., Lyon: MAC Lyon & Les presses du reel, 2007

Pécoil, Vincent, *David Lynch: The Air is on Fire*, Exh. cat., Paris: Fondation Cartier pour l'art contemporain and Éditions Xavier Barral, 2007



Mangion, Eric (ed.), *Half Square / Half Crazy*, Exh. cat., Geneva: JRP Editions, 2007  
*Triple V Catalogue no. 1*, Paris: Triple V, 2007

## 2003

Parrino, Steven, *Return of the Creature*, Exh. cat., Bregenz: Künstlerhaus Thurn & Taxis, 2003

## 2000

Stam, Magnus and Hagen, Jorn, *Solv & Hi-Tech Detox*. Kongsberg: Norsk Bergverksmuseum/Kongserg Kunstforening, 2000

## 1999

*Art 30 Basel*, Geneva, JRP Editions 1999

## Selected Bibliography

### 2023

Gross, Samuel, *Magic Dust*, art press, Issue 510, May 2023  
van der Stegen, Tristan, *Reality in Geometry*, art press, Issue 510, May 2023

### 2019

Quin, John, *Blair Thurman at Peres Projects, Berlin*, ArtReview, January/February 2019

### 2018

Lempesis, Dimitris, *ART-CITIES: Blair Thurman*, Dream Idea Machine, November 16, 2018  
Giacomelli, Marco Enrico, *Un Minimalismo Romantico. Intervista Con Blair Thurman*, Artribune, May 20, 2018  
*Blair Thurman*, Hyde Magazine, January 17, 2018

### 2017

Geyer, Christina, *Paris Art Dealer Falls in Love With Dallas, Targets it as the Next Big Cultural Center*, PaperCity Magazine, August 3, 2017  
Farouki, Tania, *Artist Blair Thurman Brings His Pop Minimalism To Geneva*, V Magazine, Issue #105, Spring 2017  
Anspson, Catherine D., *International Jet Setters, NASCAR Royalty and Major Surprises: This Dallas Art Fair Rocks*, PaperCity, April 8, 2017  
Morgan, Kendall, *5 April exhibits that prove Dallas' status as an arts destination*, Dallas Culture Map, March 30, 2017  
*Exhibition of new shaped canvas works by Blair Thurman on view at Gagosian, Geneva*, Art Daily, February 9, 2017  
Group exhibition at Galerie Nikolaus Ruzicska, Salzburg, Blouin Artinfo, February 7, 2017  
Farouki, Tania, *Artist Blair Thurman Brings His Pop Minimalism to Geneva*, V Magazine, February 1, 2017  
Lempesis, Dimitris, *Art-Preview: Blair Thurman*, Dream Idea Machine, January 24, 2017

### 2016

Indrisek, Scott, *What To Buy At Expo Chicago*, Blouin Artinfo, September 23, 2016

Goldstein, Andrew M., *5 Artists to Discover at EXPO Chicago 2016*, Artspace, September 23, 2016  
Morgan, Kendall, *Paris art gallery owner eschews New York and LA to open in Dallas*, Dallas CultureMap, September 14, 2016  
Neuendorf, Henri, *See the Top 10 Booths at EXPO Chicago*, Artnet News, September 23, 2016  
Landes, Jennifer, *Halsey Mckay Features Unique Approaches to Painting*, The East Hampton Star, August 25, 2016  
Herriman, Kat, *International Solitude*, Patron Magazine, April/May 2016  
Trembley, Nicolas, *In The Studio With...Blair Thurman*, Numéro Magazine, Issue 743, May 2016

## 2015

Bardos, Alice, *Exhibition: Blair Thurman at Peres Projects*, Berlin Art Link, November 25, 2015  
Choy, Yoko, *Raw refinement: Blair Thurman's debut show at Peres Projects, Berlin*, Wallpaper\*, November 18, 2015  
*John Armleder, Stéphane Kropf, John Tremblay, with guests Mai-Thu Perret and Blair Thurman' at David Kordansky*, Los Angeles, ARTnews, March 30, 2015  
Indrisek, Scott, *Not Quite Applebee's — 'Rascal House' Taps Diner Chic*, Blouin Artinfo, January 8, 2015  
Herriman, Kat, *Combo Meal*, W Magazine, January 8, 2015  
Lehrer, Adam, *Artist Blair Thurman and Friends Revisit Barney's Beanery At Half Gallery*, Forbes, January 7, 2015  
Freeman, Nate and Martinez, Alanna, *11 Things to do in New York's Art World Before January 10*, The New York Observer, January 5, 2015  
*10 Art Events to Attend in New York This Week*, ARTnews, January 5, 2015

## 2014

Stipanovich, Alexandre, *Private Tour with Blair Thurman at Gagosian*, Allday Everyday, December 1, 2014  
Halle, Howard, *Art — Galleries*, Time Out New York, November 20-26, 2014  
Halle, Howard, *Critics' picks*, Time Out New York, November 13-19, 2014  
*Blair Thurman*, Galleries Now, November 1, 2014  
Trochu, Eugénie, *ANDAM 2014: 10 shortlisted designers' moodboards*, Vogue France, June 28, 2014  
Powers, Bill, *Infinite Quest*, Muse Magazine, February 22, 2014  
*The Art of Buying Art*, Vogue Japan, 2014

## 2013

Aldana, Ana Mendoza, *The Floating Admiral*, Palais Magazine, Issue 18, Summer 2013  
Pascal, Clement, *Infinite Quest: Blair Thurman*, Muse Magazine, March 2013  
Steven Parrino, *Blair Thurman*, Agma Magazine, Issue 7, 2013

## 2012

Lavrador, Judicaël, *au turbin*, Les Inrockuptibles, n. 883, October 31, 2012  
Pernet, Hugo, *Left — Right — Straight ON: The Fate of Abstract Painting in the Art of Blair Thurman*, Annual Magazine, no. 5. August 2012

## 2011

Lavrador, Judicaël, *White Trash*, Les Inrockuptibles, n. 833, November 16, 2011

## 2009

*Minimalism, crème glacée et formule 1: Blair Thurman se balade dans la culture pop et l'art Américain*, Technikart, January 2009

## 2008

Hegert, Natalie, *Beings of Pure Neon*, ArtSlant, October 2008

*Blair Thurman*, Les Inrockuptibles, no. 673, October 2008

Lavrador, Judicaël, *Cocotte-minute*, Playboy France, September 2008

Ostende, Florence, *Where Do You Go From Here, Baby?*, 20/27 Magazine, #02, M19 Editions, January 2008

## 2007

Lavrador, Judicaël, *L'oeuvre au noir*, Les inrockuptibles, no. 624, June 2007

Parrino, Steven, *The Bastard Kids of Drella*, Palais Magazine, Issue 3, 2007

Parrino, Steven, *The Return of the Creature*, Palais Magazine, Issue 3, 2007

## 2006

*Les Oeuvres/The Works*, Super nova. Experience Pommery #3, Beaux Arts Magazine, 2006

## 2003

*Blair Thurman, Verona, Arte e Ricambi*, Exibart, June, 2003

## 2001

Gerdil, Pascal, *L'art en quatrième vitesse*, Profil femme, June 2001

## 1999

Kim, Seungduk and Jacobs, Joseph, *Side Portraits: Steven Parrino*, Art Magazine, vol. 1, no. 1, November 1999

Troncy, Eric, *Point de vue: Les enfants d'Andy Warhol*, Numéro Magazine, no. 4, June 1999