

SKARSTEDT

KAWS

Born 1974

SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS & PROJECTS

2027

New York Botanical Gardens, Brooklyn, New York (*forthcoming, 2027*)

2026

KAWS: Art & Comic, The Albertina, Vienna (*forthcoming, 2026*)

2025

SFMOMA, San Francisco, California

Palazzo Strozzi, Florence, Italy

KAWS: THERAPY, Galerie Max Hetzler, Berlin, Germany

KAWS: HOLIDAY, Bangkok, Thailand

KAWS x Medicom: Icons in Play, Carroll Art, Manchester, United Kingdom

2024

KAWS: DAY BY DAY, Skarstedt, New York

TIME OFF, Parrish Art Museum, Watermill, New York

KAWS + Warhol, The Andy Warhol Museum, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

2023

KAWS: FAMILY, Art Gallery of Ontario, Toronto, Canada; this traveled to Crystal Bridges, Bentonville, Arkansas; and San Francisco Museum of Modern Art, San Francisco, California

KAWS: HOLIDAY, Prambanan Temples, Indonesia

KAWS: TIME OFF, Skarstedt, New York

2022

KAWS: NEW FICTION, Serpentine Gallery, London

KAWS: HOLIDAY, Changbai Mountain, China

2021

KAWS: PRINTS, High Museum of Art, Atlanta, Georgia

KAWS: HOLIDAY, Marina Bay, Singapore

KAWS: SPOKE TOO SOON, Skarstedt, New York

KAWS: SHARE, Rockefeller Center, New York

KAWS: TOKYO FIRST, Mori Arts Center Gallery, Tokyo, Japan

KAWS: HOLIDAY, Bristol, United Kingdom

KAWS: WHAT PARTY, Brooklyn Museum, Brooklyn

KAWS: HOLIDAY, Skarstedt, Palm Beach, Florida

KAWS: WHAT PARTY, Seagram Building, New York

Opening of Reflex, the Residence with KAWS 'Along the Way,' Alex Daniels – Reflex Amsterdam, Amsterdam, The Netherlands

2020

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KAWS: HOLIDAY SPACE

KAWS: EXPANDED HOLIDAY (Augmented Reality), New York; Los Angeles, California; London; Paris; São Paulo, Brazil; Seoul, South Korea; Taipei, Taiwan; Tokyo, Japan; Doha, Qatar; Katavi National Park, Tanzania; Melbourne, Australia

2019

KAWS: HOLIDAY, Dhow Harbour, Doha, Qatar

KAWS: HE EATS ALONE, Fire Station, Qatar Museums, Doha, Qatar

KAWS: BLACKOUT, Skarstedt, London

KAWS: COMPANIONSHIP IN THE AGE OF LONLINESS, National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne, Australia

KAWS: ALONE AGAIN, Museum of Contemporary Art Detroit, Michigan

KAWS: HOLIDAY, Virginia Beach, Virginia

KAWS: ALONG THE WAY, HOCA Foundation, Hong Kong

KAWS: HOLIDAY, Victoria Harbour, Hong Kong

KAWS: HOLIDAY, Chiang Kai-Shek Memorial Hall, Taipei, Taiwan

2018

KAWS: CLEAN SLATE, Modern Art Museum of Fort Worth, Fort Worth, Texas

GONE, Skarstedt, New York

KAWS: HOLIDAY, Seokchon Lake, Seoul, South Korea

KAWS, Galerie Perrotin, Tokyo, Japan

KAWS, Galerie Perrotin, Hong Kong

2017

KAWS, The Greenberg Gallery, St. Louis, Missouri

FAR FAR DOWN, Contemporary Art Museum of St. Louis, St. Louis, Missouri

WHERE THE END STARTS, Yuz Museum, Shanghai, China

2016

WHERE THE END STARTS, Modern Art Museum of Fort Worth, Fort Worth, Texas

KAWS: BFF, Central Embassy, Bangkok, Thailand

KAWS: GISWIL, More Gallery, Giswil, Switzerland

KAWS, Galerie Perrotin, Seoul, South Korea

KAWS, Yorkshire Sculpture Park, West Yorkshire, United Kingdom

2015

Permanent Vacation II, Eden Rock Gallery, St. Barths

ALONG THE WAY, Brooklyn Museum, Brooklyn

CLEAN SLATE, LA NAVE, Las Salinas, Ibiza, Spain

CLEAN SLATE, Shanghai Times Square, Shanghai, China

2014

MAN'S BEST FRIEND, Honor Fraser, Los Angeles, California

Permanent Vacation, Eden Rock Gallery, St. Barths

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CLEAN SLATE, Harbour City, Hong Kong, China

FINAL DAYS, Centro de Arte Contemporáneo, Málaga, Spain

PLAY YOUR PART, Galeria Javier Lopez, Madrid, Spain

2013

KAWS AT 30TH Street Station: COMPANION (PASSING THROUGH), presented by Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

KAWS GISWIL, More Gallery, Giswil, Switzerland

KAWS @ PAFA, Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Sculpture Plinth Exhibition Program: KAWS, Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

UPS AND DOWNS, Nerman Museum of Contemporary Art, Overland Park, Kansas

Obbb..., Kaikai Kiki Gallery, Tokyo, Japan

PASS THE BLAME, Galerie Perrotin, New York

KAWS, Mary Boone Gallery, New York

2012

COMPANION (PASSING THROUGH), Modern Art Museum of Fort Worth, Texas

IMAGINARY FRIENDS, Galerie Perrotin, Paris

THE NATURE OF NEED, Galerie Perrotin, Hong Kong, China

KAWS: DOWN TIME, High Museum of Art, Atlanta, Georgia

2011

KAWS: COMPANION, High Museum of Art, Atlanta, Georgia

Focus: KAWS, Modern Art Museum of Fort Worth, Fort Worth, Texas

Hold The Line, Honor Fraser, Los Angeles, California

COMPANION (PASSING THROUGH), The Standard, New York

COMPANION (PASSING THROUGH), Aldrich Museum of Contemporary Art, Ridgefield, Connecticut

2010

COMPANION (PASSING THROUGH), Harbour City, Hong Kong

Pay the Debt to Nature, Galerie Perrotin, Paris

KAWS, Aldrich Museum of Contemporary Art, Ridgefield, Connecticut

KAWS, Galeria Javier Lopez, Madrid, Spain

2009

The Long Way Home, Honor Fraser, Los Angeles, California

2008

KAWS, Gering & López Gallery, New York

SATURATED, Galerie Emmanuel Perrotin, Miami, Florida

2003

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OriginalFake, BAPE Gallery, Tokyo, Japan

2002

C9, MU Art Foundation, Eindhoven, Netherlands

2001

Tokyo First, Parco Gallery, Tokyo, Japan

1999

KAWS: EXPOSEd, Colette, Paris

1998

Me vs. Them, bOb Bar, New York

KAWS: Studies in Subvertising, Art & Revolution Organization, Seattle, Washington

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2026

On Paper, Galerie Max Hetzler, Berlin, Germany

2025

Painter/Model, Skarstedt, New York

Potential Colour, Galerie Max Hetzler, London

KAWS: ART & COMIC, The Albertina, Vienna, Austria

On Paper, Galerie Max Hetzler, London

2024

Cute. The Dark Side, MACA Museum, Copenhagen, Denmark

Pop Forever, Tom Wesselman & ..., Fondation Louis Vuitton, Paris

The Way I See It: Selections from the KAWS Collection, The Drawing Centre, New York

Network, Skarstedt, Paris

2023

WORLDBUILDING: Gaming and Art in the digital age, Centre Pompidou-Metz, Metz, France

Artists Choose Parrish Part III, Parrish Museum, Watermill, New York

Wild Style, Jeffrey Deitch, New York

My Kid Could Do That, ProjectArt, New York

Tondo, Anton Kern Gallery, New York

Faces & Figures, Skarstedt, New York, London, Paris

City As Studio, K11 Musea, Hong Kong

Pop Masters – Art from the Mugrabi Collection, Home of the Arts, Surfer's Paradise QLD, Australia

MUCA: Icons of Urban Art—From Banksy to KAWS, Oita Art Museum, Oita City, Japan

2022

Sculpture, Skarstedt, Paris

Un Panorama de este Mundo, Fundación Proa, Buenos Aires, Argentina

Visions, 10th Annual Singapore Arts Week, National Gallery, Singapore

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1970s/GRAFFITI/TODAY, Phillips Park Avenue, New York
Artists Inspired by Music: Interscope Reimagined, Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Los Angeles, California
Light to Night Festival, National Gallery, Singapore

2021

ArtZuid Sculpture Biennale, Amsterdam, The Netherlands
Black/White, Skarstedt, East Hampton, New York
Painter/ Sculptor, Skarstedt, London
The Looking Glass, Frieze, New York

2020

Collectouples, New York Academy of Art, New York
Nuit Blanche Arts Festival, Paris
The Flag Project, Rockefeller Center, New York

2019

Happy!, NSU Art Museum, Fort Lauderdale, Florida
Buy/ By Me, Susan Inglett Gallery, New York
Paintings & Sculptures, Skarstedt, New York
Inaugural Exhibition, Skarstedt (64th Street), New York

2018

Approaching The Figure, Skarstedt, New York

2016

Character, V1 Gallery, Copenhagen, Denmark
Holdings: Selections from MCASD's Collection, Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, La Jolla, California
Greek Gotham, Dio Horia Gallery, Mykonos, Greece
A Material Legacy, Nasher Museum of Art at Duke University, Durham, North Carolina

2015

A Shared Space: KAWS, Karl Wirsum, Tomoo Gokita, Newcomb Art Museum of Tulane University, New Orleans, Louisiana
Respect, Centro de Arte Contemporáneo, Málaga, Spain
ArtZuid 2015, Amsterdam, The Netherlands

2014

If You're Accidentally Not Included, Don't Worry About It, curated by Peter Saul, Zürcher Studio, New York
Joyride, Marlborough Chelsea, New York
Ok, I'll rename it, Bill Brady KC, Kansas City, Missouri
Knock! Knock!, Galeria Javier Lopez, Madrid, Spain
Full House, Garth Greenan Gallery, New York
PAINT NEW YORK, GL Strand, Copenhagen, Denmark

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2012

East West Shift to the Middle Part #1, Bill Brady KC, Kansas City, Missouri

Group Show - Wangechi Mutu - KAWS - Jeff Sonhouse - Wim Delvoye, Gallery Zidoun, Luxembourg

It Ain't Fair 2012, OHWOW, Miami, Florida

2011

PRETTY ON THE INSIDE, organized by Erik Parker & KAWS, Paul Kasmin Gallery, New York

Art in the Streets, Museum of Contemporary Art, Los Angeles, California

2010

Mutant Pop, curated by Joe Grillo, Laura Grant, and Brandon Joyce, Loyal Gallery, Malmö, Sweden

It Ain't Fair, OHWOW, Miami, Florida

The Reflected Gaze - Self Portraiture Today, The Torrance Art Museum, Torrance, California

2009

Just what is it that make today's painting so different, so appealing, Gering & López Gallery, New York

Stages, organized by Lance Armstrong and Nike, Galerie Emmanuel Perrotin, Paris

Alpha Exotica, curated by Dimitrios Antonitsis, Hydra School Projects, Athens, Greece

The New Yorkers, V1 Gallery, Copenhagen, Denmark

Plastic Culture, Harris Museum and Art Gallery, Preston, United Kingdom

2008

Everything Else, Franklin Parrasch Gallery, New York

2007

POPcentric, Gering & López Gallery, New York

2006

Info Babble, Richard & Dolly Maass Gallery, Purchase, New York

Ugly Winners, Galerie Du Juor Agnes B., Paris

2004

Beautiful Losers, curated by Aaron Rose and Christian Strike, Le Tri Postal, Lille, France; Palazzo Dell'Arte, Milan, Italy; USF Contemporary Art Museum, Tampa, Florida; Contemporary Museum, Baltimore, Maryland; Orange County Museum of Art, Newport Beach, California; Yerba Buena Arts Center, San Francisco, California; Contemporary Arts Center, Cincinnati, Ohio

2003

SK8 on the Wall, Parco Gallery, Tokyo, Japan

2002

Session The Bowl, Deitch Projects, New York

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ALIFE Shop, Deitch Projects, New York
Coded Language, City Gallery Chastain, Atlanta, Georgia
KAWs & CRASH, Made Gallery, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada

2001

Shortcuts, Nicosia Municipal Arts Centre, Athens, Greece; traveled to Pierides Museum of Contemporary Art, Athens, Greece
New Acquisitions from the Dakis Joannou Collection, Deste Foundation, Athens, Greece

AWARDS & GRANTS

2022 American Folk Art Museum 60th Anniversary Gala Honoree
2022 Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden Ball Honoree
2021 Brooklyn Museum Artists Ball Honoree
2021 ArtReview Power 100
2019 New York Academy of Art Tribeca Ball Honoree
2019 Honorary Doctorate Degree, New York Academy of Art
2019 The Bloomberg 50
2018 Hirshhorn Museum New York Gala 2018 Honoree
2018 amfAR Hong Kong Gala Honoree
1998 Pernod Liquid Art Award

PUBLICATIONS

2021 *KAWS: WHAT PARTY*, Phaidon and Brooklyn Museum
2021 *KAWS: WHAT PARTY: Exhibition Installation Views at the Brooklyn Museum*, New York: Brooklyn Museum
2021 *KAWS: TOKYO FIRST*, Tokyo: Blue Sheep and Mori Arts Center Gallery
2021 *The KAWS Handbook (Japanese Edition)*, New York: No More Rulers
2020 *KAWS: ALONG THE WAY*, Hong Kong: HOCA Foundation
2020 *KAWS: HE EATS ALONE*, Qatar: Silvana Editoriale and Qatar Museums
2019 *KAWS: COMPANIONSHIP IN THE AGE OF LONELINESS*, Australia: The National Gallery of Victoria
2018 *KAWS: GONE*, New York: Skarstedt
2017 *KAWS: WHERE THE END STARTS*, Texas: Modern Art Museum of Fort Worth
2016 *KAWS*, United Kingdom: Yorkshire Sculpture Park
2016 *MAN'S BEST FRIEND*, California: Honor Fraser, Inc.
2014 *FINAL DAYS*, Spain: Centro de Arte Contemporáneo, Málaga
2012 *DOWNTIME*, Georgia: High Museum of Art Atlanta
2010 *KAWS*, New York: Rizzoli

PUBLIC COLLECTIONS

Brooklyn Museum, New York
CAC Malaga, Malaga, Spain
City Museum, St. Louis, Missouri

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Deji Art Museum, Nanjing, China
Hall Art Foundation, Reading, Vermont
High Museum of Art, Atlanta, Georgia
K11 Musea, Hong Kong
Modern Art Museum of Fort Worth, Texas
Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, California
The Nancy A. Nasher and David J. Haemisegger Collection, Dallas, Texas
The National Gallery of Victoria, Australia
Nerman Museum of Contemporary Art, Overland Park, Kansas
Nevada Museum of Art, Reno, Nevada
Pizzuti Collection, Columbus, Ohio
Rosenblum Collection, Paris
Zabludowicz Collection, London