KAWS

Born 1974

SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS & PROJECTS

2025

KAWS: HOLIDAY, Bangkok, Thailand

2024

KAWS: DAY BY DAY, Skarstedt, New York

KAWS, 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

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

2020

KAWS: HOLIDAY SPACE

KAWS: EXPANDED HOLIDAY (Augmented Reality), New York; Los Angeles, California; London; Paris; São Paolo, 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 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 Streeth 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 Ohhh..., 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

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

2024

Network, Skarstedt, Paris

2023

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, Buenoa Aires, Argentina

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

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

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 Emannuel 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

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

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