WHITE CUBE

AL HELD

1928 Born October 12, Brooklyn, New York

2005 Died July 26, Camerata, Italy

Education

1948–51 Art Students League, New York

1951–53 Académie de la Grande Chaumière, Paris

Solo Exhibitions

2024	Al Held: Works on Paper, 1960 – 1989, McClain Gallery, Houston, Texas

Al Held: About Space, White Cube Bermondsey, London, UK

2023 Al Held: Watercolours, White Cube, Paris

Al Held: Works on Paper from 1960, David Klein Gallery, Birmingham, Michigan

2020 Al Held: The Sixties, White Cube, London

Al Held: Watercolors, David Klein Gallery, Birmingham, Michigan

2019 *Modern Maverick*, White Cube, Hong Kong

Infinite Choices: Abstract Drawings by Al Held, Joel and Lila Harnett Print Study

Center, University of Richmond Museums, Richmond, Virginia

2018 Al Held: Pigment Paintings, Cheim & Read, New York, and concurrently Nathalie

Karg Gallery, New York

Al Held Luminous Constructs: Paintings and Watercolors from the 1990s, David

Klein Gallery, Detroit, Michigan

2016 Al Held: Brushstrokes, India Ink Drawings from 1960, Van Doren Waxter, New York

Al Held: Black and White Paintings, 1967–1969, Cheim & Read, New York

2015 Van Doren Waxter, Art Basel-Miami Beach/Kabinett, Miami, Florida

Al Held: Particular Paradox, Van Doren Waxter, New York

Al Held: Marker Drawings 1972-1973, Van Doren Waxter at ADAA: The Art Show,

New York

Al Held: Armatures, Cheim & Read at ADAA: The Art Show, New York

2014	Al Held: Scale, Marianne Friedland Gallery, Naples, Florida
2013	Al Held's Taxi Cab III Series, Gallery 918 of the Lila Acheson Wallace Wing for Modern and Contemporary Art, Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York Al Held: Alphabet Paintings, 1961–1967, Cheim & Read, New York
2012	Al Held: Black and White 1967, Loretta Howard Gallery, New York Al Held: Space, Scale and Time, Marianne Friedland Gallery, Naples, Florida Al Held, Pace Prints 26th Street (project room), New York
2011	Al Held Paintings 1959, Craig F. Starr Gallery, New York
2010	Al Held: Concrete Abstraction, Ameringer McEnery Yohe, New York Al Held: Selected Works, Marianne Friedland Gallery, Naples, Florida
2009	Al Held Prints 1973–1999, Pace Prints Gallery, New York
2008	Al Held Paintings 1979–1993, Waddington Galleries, London Al Held Paintings 1979–1993, Paul Kasmin Gallery, New York Al Held: Watercolors, John Berggruen Gallery, San Francisco Al Held: The Evolution of Style, University Art Museum, California State University at Long Beach, California Al Held: The Watercolor Paintings, Marianne Friedland Gallery, Naples, Florida
2007	Al Held: Gravity's Strings, Orlando Museum of Art, Orlando, Florida
2006	The Watercolors of Al Held, Marianne Friedland Gallery, Naples, Florida In Memory of Al Held 1928–2005, Galerie Renée Ziegler, Zürich, Switzerland Al Held: American Abstract Expressionist Painter, 1928–2005, J. Johnson Gallery, Jacksonville Beach, Florida
2005	Al Held: Public Art, Orlando Museum of Art, Orlando, Florida Art in Architecture: Al Held, Orlando Museum of Art, Orlando, Florida Al Held: Public Projects, Robert Miller Gallery, New York
2003	Al Held: Beyond Sense, Robert Miller Gallery, New York
2002	Al Held: Recent Paintings, MoMA PS1, New York Expanding Universe: The Recent Paintings of Al Held, Contemporary Arts Center, New Orleans; traveled to Dennos Museum Center, Northwestern Michigan College, Traverse City, Michigan; Douglas F. Cooley Memorial Art Gallery, Reed College, Portland, Oregon; Butler Institute of American Art Youngstown, Ohio;

	Boston University Art Gallery, Boston University, Boston, Massachusetts; University of Maine Museum of Art, Bangor, Maine
2001	Al Held: Large-Scale Watercolor Paintings, Pillsbury and Peters Fine Art, Ltd., Dallas, Texas; traveled to Gerald Peters Gallery, Santa Fe, New Mexico Al Held in Black and White: Paintings and Works on Paper, Ameringer Howard Yohe, New York
2000	Al Held: The Italian Watercolors, Ameringer Howard Fine Art, Inc., Boca Raton, Florida Al Held: Unfolding, Robert Miller Gallery, New York
1999	Al Held, Dorothy Blau Gallery, Inc., Bay Harbor Islands, Florida
1998	Al Held (The Last Series: 1964–65), Robert Miller Gallery, New York
1997	Al Held Recent Paintings, André Emmerich Gallery, New York
1996	Al Held: Graphite/Charcoal Drawings, André Emmerich Gallery, New York Al Held: Aquarelle, Hans Strelow, Düsseldorf, Germany
1995	Al Held: Time Past – Time Future, André Emmerich Gallery, New York Geometric Abstraction, Allene Lapides Gallery, Santa Fe, New Mexico
1994	Al Held: Painting in Paris 1950–1952, Robert Miller Gallery, New York
1993	Al Held: Italian Watercolors, Krannert Art Museum and Kinkead Pavilion, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, Champaign, Illinois traveled to Adams Landing Contemporary Art Space, Cincinnati, Ohio; Cedar Rapids Museum of Art, Cedar Rapids, Iowa Al Held: Watercolors and Acrylics, Landau Fine Art, Montreal, Canada Al Held Etchings, Crown Point Press, New York
1992	Al Held, Hokin Gallery, Bar Harbor Islands, Florida Al Held: New Paintings, André Emmerich Gallery, New York Al Held: Paintings and Works on Paper, Allene Lapides Gallery, Santa Fe, New Mexico Al Held, Edwin A. Ulrich Museum of Art, Wichita State University, Wichita, Kansas
1991	Harry, If I Told You, Would You Know? André Emmerich Gallery/Galbreath Co. storefront 57th Street, New York Al Held: "The Italian Watercolors," André Emmerich Gallery, New York Al Held: Paintings 1990, Heland Wetterling Gallery, Stockholm, Sweden

1990	Al Held: Etchings and Color Woodblock Prints, Crown Point Press, New York Al Held: New Paintings, André Emmerich Gallery, New York Al Held: Neue Arbeiten, Galerie Hans Mayer, Düsseldorf, Germany Al Held Arbeiten von 1989, Galerie Renée Ziegler, Zürich, Switzerland Al Held: After Paris, 1953–1955, Robert Miller Gallery, New York
1989	Al Held: Watercolours 1989, Marianne Friedland Gallery, Toronto, Canada Al Held: Recent Paintings, John Berggruen Gallery, San Francisco Al Held: New Paintings, André Emmerich Gallery, New York Al Held, Galerie Renée Ziegler, Zürich, Switzerland
1988	Al Held: Watercolors, André Emmerich Gallery, New York Al Held: New Paintings, Donald Morris Gallery, Inc., Birmingham, Michigan
1987	Al Held: New Paintings, André Emmerich Gallery, New York Al Held: Zu Zeigen, Galerie Renée Ziegler, Zürich, Switzerland Al Held: Taxi Cabs 1959, Robert Miller Gallery, New York Al Held: Drawings, Juda Rowan Gallery, London
1986	Al Held: Drawings 1980–1986, André Emmerich Gallery, New York Al Held: Recent Paintings, John Berggruen Gallery, San Francisco
1985	Al Held, André Emmerich Gallery, New York Al Held: New Paintings, André Emmerich Gallery, New York
1984	Al Held: Major Paintings and Works on Paper, Marianne Friedland Gallery, Toronto, Canada Al Held: Major Paintings, Richard Gray Gallery, Chicago, Illinois Al Held: Paintings, André Emmerich Gallery, New York Al Held: Zeichnungen von 1976, Gimpel-Hanover & Galerie André Emmerich, Zürich, Switzerland; traveled as Al Held: Drawings from 1976 to André Emmerich Gallery, New York
1983	Al Held: New Paintings, Donald Morris Gallery, Birmingham, Michigan Al Held: New Editions, Stone Ridge, Pace Editions, New York
1982	Al Held: New Paintings, André Emmerich Gallery, New York Al Held: 1954–1959, Robert Miller Gallery, New York Al Held: Recent Paintings, Juda Rowan Gallery, London Al Held: Drawings, The American Academy in Rome, Italy
1981	Al Held, Gimpel-Hanover & Galerie André Emmerich, Zürich, Switzerland Al Held, Grand Palais, Paris, FIAC (Foire Internationale d'Art Contemporain), exhibition with André Emmerich Gallery

1980 Al Held: New Paintings 1980, André Emmerich Gallery, New York Al Held: Recent Paintings. Quadrat Bottrop Moderne Galerie. Bottrop. Germany Al Held: Recent Paintings, Annely Juda Fine Art, London Al Held 1959-1961, Robert Miller Gallery, New York Al Held: Neue Bilder/Recent Paintings, Gimpel-Hanover & Galerie André Emmerich, Zürich, Switzerland 1979 Al Held: New Paintings, André Emmerich Gallery, New York 1978 Al Held: Drawings 1959-1976, Janus Gallery, Venice, California Drawings By Al Held, Marianne Friedland Gallery, Toronto, Canada Al Held: New Paintings, André Emmerich Gallery, New York Al Held: Paintings and Drawings 1973-1978, Institute of Contemporary Art, Boston, Massachusetts 1977 Al Held, Donald Morris Gallery, Birmingham, Michigan Al Held: Paintings and Drawings, Annely Juda Fine Art, London Al Held: New Paintings, André Emmerich Gallery, New York Al Held: Neue Bilder und Zeichnungen/Recent Paintings and Drawings, Galerie André Emmerich, Zürich, Switzerland Al Held: Fürhe Werke/Early Works, Galerie Renée Ziegler, Zürich, Switzerland Al Held, Galerie Roger d'Amecourt, Paris, France 1976 Al Held, André Emmerich Gallery, New York 1975 Al Held: New Paintings, André Emmerich Gallery, New York Al Held, Adler Castillo Gallery, Caracas, Venezuela Al Held, Jared Sable Gallery, Toronto, Canada Al Held: Drawings, André Emmerich Gallery, New York 1974 Al Held, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York Al Held, Galerie Müller, Cologne, Germany Al Held: Recent Paintings and Drawings, Donald Morris Gallery, Detroit, Michigan Al Held, Galerie André Emmerich, Zürich, Switzerland 1973 Al Held: New Paintings, André Emmerich Gallery, New York 1972 Al Held: New Paintings, André Emmerich Gallery, New York 1971 Al Held: Recent Paintings, Donald Morris Gallery, Detroit, Michigan 1970 Al Held: Bilder, Galerie Renée Ziegler, Zürich, Switzerland Al Held: New Paintings, André Emmerich Gallery, New York

1968	Al Held: Recent Paintings, Institute of Contemporary Art, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia; traveled to Contemporary Arts Museum, Houston, Texas Al Held, André Emmerich Gallery, New York Al Held, San Francisco Museum of Art, San Francisco California); traveled to Corcoran Gallery of Art, Washington, D.C.
1967	André Emmerich Gallery/Al Held Studio, New York (simultaneous exhibitions in two locations) Al Held: Biilder, Galerie René Ziegler, Zürich, Switzerland
1966	Al Held, Stedelijk Museum, Amsterdam, Netherlands Al Held, Galerie Müller, Stuttgart, Germany
1964	Al Held: Bilder, Galerie Renée Ziegler, Zürich, Switzerland Al Held, Galerie Gunar, Düsseldorf, Germany
1962	Al Held, Poindexter Gallery, New York
1961	Al Held, Galería Bonino, Buenos Aires, Argentina Al Held, Poindexter Gallery, New York
1960	Al Held, Poindexter Gallery, New York
1952	Al Held, Galerie Huit, Paris, France

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2025	Signals, Galerie Mueller, Basel, Switzerland An Artful Life: A Tribute to Matthew C. Strauss, Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, California Sonder, Amanita, New York, US
2024	Hard-Edge Sacrifice: Alice Aycock, Karl Gerstner, Al Held and Robert Smithson, Meredith Rosen Gallery, New York, US Americans in Paris: Artists Working in Postwar France, 1946 – 1962, Grey Art Museum, New York University, New York, US
2023	To Wave the Sky: Textile Abstractions, El Espacio 23, Miami, US The Visual Elements – Space, Huntington Museum of Art, Huntington, West Virginia, US

Imaginary 1, Madison Museum of Contemporary Art, Madison, Wisconsin, US Works in Black and White, Berggruen Gallery, San Francisco, US The 1960s: Beyond Op and Pop, The Hyde Collection, Glens Falls, New York, US The Painter's Hand: U.S. Abstraction since 1950, Hood Museum of Art, Dartmouth College, Hanover, New Hampshire, US Order & Disorder, Rodolphe Jannsen Gallery, Brussels, Belgium The History Woodstock Art Colony: The Arthur A. Anderson Collection, Samuel Dorsky Museum of Art, SUNY New Paltz

2022 *Hurry Slowly*, Carolyn Campagna Kleefeld Contemporary Art Museum, University of California Long Beach

In Dialogue: Unexpected Visual Conversations, Museum of Fine Arts, St Petersburg, Florida

8th Biennial of Painting, Museum van Deinze en de Leiestreek, Deinze, Belgium Heute Nachte getraumt, Kunstmuseum Basel, Basel, Switzerland Color: A Spring Exhibition, Crown Point Press, San Francisco, US City, White Cube Palm Beach, Florida

2021 Konkret! Hommage am Ulrich Schumacher die Sammlung des Josef Albers
Museum Quadrat Bottrop, Emil Schumacher Museum, Hagen, Germany
Correspondence, White Cube, Aspen off—site project, Colorado
Al Held, Sarah Morris and Takis, White Cube West Palm Beach, Florida
Tracing the Fragments, K11 Musea, Tsim Sha Tsui, Hong Kong
Slow Looking / Deep Seeing, Weatherspoon Art Museum, University of North
Carolina Greensboro

2020 Figure and Form: States of Dissolution, White Cube West Palm Beach, Florida Breaking Boundaries: The Vision of Jacqueline B. Holmes, Museum of Contemporary Art, Jacksonville, Florida

Les Murs Reculent, Musée Matisse, Nice, France

2019 *Systems of Viewing*, Western Gallery, Western Washington University, Bellingham, Washington

Bauhaus: Our Play, Our Party, Our Work, Israel Museum, Jerusalem Encounters, American Academy in Rome, Rome, Italy Summer Choices: A Group Exhibition, Crown Point Press, San Francisco Abstract USA, Museum No Hero, Delden, The Netherlands Downtown Painting: Presented by Alex Katz, Peter Freeman, Inc., New York Double Edged: Geometric Abstraction Then and Now, Weatherspoon Art Museum, University of North Carolina Greensboro Winter Selections: Prints & Drawings, Senior & Shopmaker Gallery, New York

Pollock and the New York School, Complesso del Vittoriano - Ala Brasini, Rome, Italy

Art Within Art: The Everson at 50, Everson Museum of Art, Syracuse, New York Printing Abstraction, Saint Louis Art Museum, Saint Louis, Missouri

Irving Sandler: Points of View, Neuberger Museum of Art, Purchase College, State University of New York

> Paris without Regret: Foreign Artists, 1944-1968. Museo Reina Sofía, Madrid, Spain.

Giant Steps: Artists and the 1960s. Albright-Knox Art Gallery, Buffalo, New York. Three Americans: Al Held, Nicholas Krushenick, Kimber Smith. Galerie Ziegler, Zurich, Switzerland.

Spheres Of Influence: Al Held, Michael Craig-Martin, Judy Pfaff, And Stanley Whitney. Senior & Shopmaker Gallery, New York.

Three Americans: Al Held, Nicholas Krushenick, Kimber Smith. Galerie Mueller, Basel, Switzerland.

American Masters. National Gallery of Australia, Canberra, Australia.

Montauk Highway II: Postwar Abstraction in the Hamptons. Eric Firestone Gallery, East Hampton, New York.

1960s: A Survey of the Decade. Weatherspoon Art Museum, University of North Carolina at Greensboro, Greensboro, North Carolina,

Pictures without Shadows: A Selection from the Kemp Collection. Museum Kunstpalast, Dusseldorf, Germany.

Line, Form and Colour. Museu Coleção Berardo, Lisbon, Portugal.

Carry the Bend. Brennan & Griffin, New York.

Black and White. Downing Yudain LLC, Greenwich, Connecticut.

American and Canadian Masters. Marianne Friedland Gallery, Naples, Florida. Selections, Pace Prints, New York

Degrees of Abstraction, Crown Point Press, San Francisco, California Expanding Space - Ronald Bladen, Al Held, Yvonne Rainer, George Sugarman,

Loretta Howard Gallery, New York

Inventing Downtown: Artist-Run Galleries in New York City, 1952–1965, Grey Art Gallery, New York University, New York and Abu Dhabi Art Gallery, Abu Dhabi, **United Arab Emirates**

Disorderly Conduct: American Painting and Sculpture, 1960-1990, Nasher Museum of Art at Duke University, Durham, North Carolina

Weber Fine Art in Black and White, Weber Fine Art of Greenwich, Connecticut Montauk Highway: Postwar Abstraction in the Hamptons, Eric Firestone Gallery, East Hampton, New York

2018

2017

The Horizontal, Cheim & Read, New York

To Distribute and Multiply: The Feibes & Schmitt Gift, The Hyde Collection, Glens Falls, New York

Summer Choices: A Group Exhibition, Crown Point Press, San Francisco, California Organic Impulse in Contemporary Art & Design, Jeff Lincoln Art + Design, Southampton, New York

nonObjectives, Sheldon Museum of Art, University of Nebraska at Lincoln, Nebraska

Shaping a Modern Legacy: Karl and Jennifer Salatka Collect, Carnegie Museum of Art, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Abstraction: Stories Told in Shape, Color and Form, Berggruen Gallery, San Francisco

Winter Assembly, Austin/Desmond Fine Art, London

Inspired by Matisse: Selected Works from the Collection, Montclair Art Museum, New Jersey

American Masters, Marianne Friedland Gallery, Naples, Florida

2016 End of Year Review, Loretta Howard Gallery, New York
Big Picture: Art After 1945, Seattle Art Museum, Seattle, Washington
American Masters 2016: A 25th Anniversary Exhibition, Marianne Friedland Gallery,
Naples, Florida

2015 Inaugural Exhibition, Weber Fine Art, Greenwich, Connecticut

Color(less), Van Doren Waxter, New York

American Array, Honolulu Museum of Art, Honolulu, Hawaii

Three Graces: Polly Apfelbaum, Tony Feher and Carrie Moyer, Everson Art Museum, Syracuse, New York

Testing Testing: Painting and Sculpture Since 1960 form the Permanent Collection, Ackland Art Museum, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, North Carolina

Choice: Contemporary Art from the Akron Art Museum, Transformer Station/Cleveland Museum of Art, Cleveland, Ohio

Another Look at the Permanent Collection, Anderson Collection at Stanford University, Stanford, California

Corita Kent and the Language of Pop, Harvard Art Museums, Boston, Massachusetts; traveled to San Antonio Museum of Art, San Antonio, Texas TXT/MSG, Spalding House/Honolulu Museum of Art, Honolulu, Hawaii On the Front Lines: The GI Bill and Art Students League Artists, Art Students League of New York, New York; traveled in a revised presentation organized by Robert Scalise to University of Buffalo Anderson Gallery, Buffalo, New York

Coordinates, Madison Museum of Contemporary Art, Madison, Wisconsin Showing Off: Recent Modern & Contemporary Acquisitions, Denver Art Museum, Denver, Colorado

2014 *Irving Sandler: Out of 10th Street and Into the 1960's,* Loretta Howard Gallery, New York

Al Held & Robert Mangold: B/W to Color, Weatherspoon Art Museum, University of North Carolina at Greensboro, North Carolina

Summer Group Exhibition: Part II: Al Held, Alan Shields, Frank Stella, Van Doren Waxter, New York

Make It New, Sterling and Francine Clark Art Institute, Williamstown, Massachusetts

Green Circle, Black Diamond, Ratio 3, San Francisco, California

2013 *Multiplicity,* Akron Art Museum, Akron, Ohio

Highways and Byways: Together Again, Daimler Art Collection, Berlin, Germany Shifting Planes: Held, Kelly, McLaughlin, Van Doren Waxter, New York From Abstract Expression to Colored Planes, Seattle Art Museum, Seattle, Washington

My Echo My Shadow, Gavlak Gallery, Palm Beach, Florida

2012 *The Geometric Unconscious: A Century of Abstraction*, Sheldon Art Museum, University of Nebraska, Lincoln, Nebraska

The Artist's Hand: American Works on Paper 1945–1975, Museum of Art, Washington State University, Pullman, Washington

Abstract Drawings, Smithsonian American Art Museum, Washington, D.C. Ronald Bladen in Context: Works on Paper by Fellow Sculptors, Loretta Howard Gallery, New York

Il Guggenheim, L'avanguardia Americana 1945–1980, Palazzo delle Esposizioni, Rome, Italy

2011 Forms of the Fifties: Tendencies in Mid-Century Fine and Decorative Arts, James Reinish & Assoc., Inc., New York

Painterly Abstraction, 1949–1969: Selections from the Guggenheim Collections, Guggenheim Museum Bilbão, Bilbão, Spain 70 Years of Abstract Painting–Excerpts, Jason McCoy, Inc., New York

New Colors: Selections from the Kemp Collection, Museum Kunstpalast, Düsseldorf, Germany

2010 Abstract USA 1958–1968: In the Galleries, Rijksmuseum Twenthe, Enschede, Netherlands

Group Show: Process/Abstraction Continued, Paul Kasmin Gallery, New York *Pictures About Pictures: Discourses in Painting from Albers to Zobernig*, Museum Moderner Kunst, Vienna, Austria

Psychedelic: Optical and Visionary Art Since the 1960s, San Antonio Museum

	of Art, San Antonio, Texas ; traveled to Memorial Art Gallery, University of Rochester, Rochester, New York ; Telfair Museum of Art, Savannah, Georgia
2009	New Works: Highlights from the Permanent Collection, Tyler Museum of Art, Tyler, Texas Pearlstein/Held: Five Decades, Betty Cunningham Gallery, New York Pop to Present, Cantor Arts Center, Stanford University, Palo Alto, California A Matter of Form, John Berggruen Gallery, San Francisco, California Five Decades, Betty Cuningham Gallery, New York
2008	Circa 1958: Breaking Ground in American Art, Ackland Museum of Art, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, North Carolina Fernand Leger: Paris – New York, Foundation Beyeler, Basel, Switzerland From Picasso to Warhol, Art Museum at the University of Kentucky, Lexington, Kentucky New York Cool: Painting and Sculpture from the NYU Art Collection, Grey Art Gallery, New York University, New York Sensory Overload: Light, Motion, Sound and the Optical in Art Since 1945, Milwaukee Art Museum, Milwaukee, Wisconsin Arp to Reinhardt: Rose Geometries, Rose Art Museum, Brandeis University, Waltham, Massachusetts
2007	Modern and Contemporary Masterworks, Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, Texas Americans in Paris: Abstract Paintings in the Fifties, Tibor de Nagy Gallery, New York Full Color: Painting and Sculpture from 1960–1980, Paul Kasmin Gallery, New York Summer Show, John Berggruen Gallery, San Francisco What is Painting? Contemporary Art from the Collection, Museum of Modern Art, New York Grand Gestures: The Gordon F. Hampton Collection, University Art Museum, California State University at Long Beach, Long Beach, California
2006	<i>Pre-Post</i> , Greenberg Van Doren Gallery, New York <i>Berlin – Tokyo/Tokyo – Berlin</i> , Die Kunstzweier Städte, Neue Nationalgalerie, Berlin, Germany
2005	American Masters: Important Paintings and Works on Paper, Marianne Friedland Gallery, Naples, Florida
2004	Kleinformate und Originalgraphik, Galerie Renée Ziegler, Zürich, Switzerland Ground – Field – Surface, Robert Miller Gallery, New York

Masterworks, Joan T. Washburn Gallery, New York

2003

2002 To Be Looked At: Painting and Sculpture from the Collection, Museum of Modern Art. New York Plane: The Essential of Painting, MoMA PS1, Long Island City, New York New York Renaissance: Masterworks from the Whitney Museum of American Art, Palazzo Reale, Milan, Italy 2001 A Defining Generation, Then and Now: 1961 and 2001, Rose Art Museum, Brandeis University, Waltham, Massachusetts Watercolor: In the Abstract, Hyde Collection, Glens Falls, New York; traveled to Michael C. Rockefeller Arts Center Gallery, State University College at Fredonia, New York; Butler Institute of American Art, Youngstown,; Ben Shahn Gallery, William Patterson University, Wayne, New Jersey; Sarah Moody Gallery of Art, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, Alabama The American Century: Art & Culture 1950-2000, Whitney Museum of 1999 American Art. New York Alchemies of the Sixties From the Rose Art Museum Permanent Collection, Rose Art Museum, Brandeis University, Waltham, Massachusetts Abstractions Americaines 1940-1960, Musée Fabre, Montpellier, France Postwar to Pop: Masterworks from MoMA's Collection, Museum of Modern Art, New York 1998 Abstracted Presence, Edward Thorp Gallery, New York Defining Structures, LaSalle Partners at Nations Bank Plaza, Charlotte, North Carolina 1997 Abstract Expressionism in the United States, Centro Cultural Arte Contemporaneo, Mexico City, Mexico Thirty-Five Years at Crown Point Press, National Gallery of Art, Washington, D.C.; traveled to Fine Arts Museum of San Francisco After the Fall: Aspects of Abstract Painting Since 1970, Newhouse Center for Contemporary Art, Staten Island, New York 1996 New Visions, André Emmerich Gallery, New York Abstract Expressionism in the United States, Centro Cultural Arte Contemporaneo, Mexico City, Mexico Thinking Print: Books to Billboards, 1980-1995, Museum of Modern Art, New 1995 Abstraction, Pure and Impure, Museum of Modern Art, New York 1994 Abstraction - Geometry - Painting, Albright-Knox Art Gallery, Buffalo, New York 1993 Geometric Abstractions, André Emmerich Gallery, New York Spheres of Influence, Whitney Museum of American Art at Champion

International Corporation, Stamford, Connecticut

The Usual Suspects, Manny Silverman Gallery, Los Angeles, California

The League at the Cape, Provincetown Art Association and Museum,

Provincetown, Massachusetts

Abstract-Figurative, Robert Miller Gallery, New York

1992 Al Held, Milton Resnick 1955–1965, Manny Silverman Gallery, Los Angeles, California

Not for Sale: Loans from the Private Collection of New York Art Dealers, Tel Aviv Museum of Art, Tel Aviv, Israel

Al Held, Romare Bearden, Edwin A. Ulrich Museum of Art, Wichita State University, Wichita, Kansas

Contemporary American Painting & Sculpture, American Embassy, Tel Aviv U.S. Department of State, Art & Embassies Program

1990 *Contemporary Painting and Sculpture Galleries: Reinstallation*, Museum of Modern Art, New York

The Humanist Icon, New York Academy of Art, New York

The Great Decade: The 1960s, A Selection of Paintings and Sculpture, André Emmerich Gallery, New York

1989 Abstract Expressionism, Manny Silverman Gallery, Los Angeles, California
Art in Place: Fifteen Years of Acquisitions, Whitney Museum of American Art,
New York

Contemporary Works from the Collection, Museum of Modern Art, New York Selected Works II, André Emmerich Gallery, New York Seven Abstract Paintings, John Berggruen Gallery, San Francisco, California Ronald Bladen: The 1950s, Washburn Gallery, New York

1988 Abstractions, Museum of Modern Art, New York
Works on Paper, John Berggruen Gallery, San Francisco, California
The Non-Objective World Revisited, Annely Juda Fine Art, London
Selected Works, André Emmerich Gallery, New York
25 Years: Crown Point Press, Museum of Modern Art, New York

Contemporary Works from the Collection, Museum of Modern Art, New York
For 25 Years: Crown Point Press, Museum of Modern Art, New York
Strong Statements in Black and White, James Goodman Gallery, New York
Drawing since 1940, Museum of Modern Art, New York
1967: At the Crossroads, Institute of Contemporary Art, University of
Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Generations of Geometry, Whitney Museum of American Art at Equitable
Center, New York

1986 Painting and the Third Dimension – Viewpoint 86, Cranbrook Academy of Art

Museum, Bloomfield Hills, Michigan

Boston Collects: Contemporary Painting and Sculpture, Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, Massachusetts

Seven American Masters, National Gallery of Art, Washington, D.C. Contemporary Works from the Collection, Museum of Modern Art, New York After Matisse, Queens Museum, Flushing, New York, organized and circulated by Independent Curators Incorporated, New York; traveled to Chrysler Museum, Norfolk, Virginia; Portland Museum of Art, Portland, Maine; Bass Museum of Art, Miami Beach, Florida; Phillips Collection, Washington, D.C.; Dayton Art Institute, Dayton, Ohio; Worcester Art Museum, Worcester, Massachusetts

Twentieth-Century American Art, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York at Equitable Center, New York

An American Renaissance: Painting and Sculpture Since 1940, Museum of Art, Fort Lauderdale, Florida

1985 Large Drawings, Museum of Modern Art, New York

Contrasts of Form: Geometric Abstract Art, 1910–1985, Museum of Modem Art, New York

Geometric Abstraction: Selections from a Decade, 1975–1985, Bronx Museum of Arts, Bronx, New York

The Bronx Celebrates, Lehman College Art Gallery, Bronx, New York Reinstallation of the Contemporary Galleries, Museum of Modern Art, New York

Action/Precision: Paintings from the 1950's and 1980's, Washburn Gallery, New York

1984

Action/Precision: The New Direction in New York 1955–1960, Newport Harbor Art Museum (now Orange County Museum of Art), Newport Beach, California; traveled to Worcester Art Museum, Worcester, Massachusetts; Grey Art Gallery, New York University, New York; Contemporary Arts Center, Cincinnati, Ohio; Albright-Knox Art Gallery, Buffalo, New York; University of Texas at Austin, Texas Beauties & Beasts or What Makes Great Art Great?, Pratt Institute Gallery, Brooklyn, New York

American Art Since 1970, La Jolla Museum of Contemporary Art, organized by Whitney Museum of American Art, New York; traveled to Museo Tamayo, Mexico City, Mexico; North Carolina Museum of Art, Raleigh, North Carolina; Sheldon Memorial Art Gallery, University of Nebraska, Lincoln; Center for the Fine Arts, Miami, Florida

American Post War Purism, Marilyn Pearl Gallery, New York

1983

The American Artist as Printmaker: 23rd National Print Exhibition, Brooklyn Museum, Brooklyn, New York

Language, Drama, Source & Vision, New Museum of Contemporary Art, New York

Minimalism to Expressionism: Painting and Sculpture Since 1965 from the Permanent Collection, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York The 60s in Painting, Sculpture, Video, Film, Music, Photograph, Fashion, MoMA PS1, Long Island City, New York

1982

American Artists Abroad 1900–1950, Washburn Gallery, New York A Private Vision: Contemporary Art from the Graham Gund Collection, Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, Massachusetts Surveying the Seventies, Whitney Museum of American Art at Champion International Corporation, Stamford, Connecticut Black and White, Museum of Modem Art, New York; traveled to Freeport-McMoran Company, New York

1981

Amerikanische Malerei: 1930–1980, Haus der Kunst, Munich, Germany Color, Surface and Geometry: American Painting of the 1940s and 1950s, Marilyn Pearl Gallery, New York Recent Acquisitions: Drawings, Museum of Modern Art, New York 1981 Biennial Exhibition, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York

1980

American Drawings in Black and White 1970–1980, Brooklyn Museum, Brooklyn, New York

From Matisse to American Abstract Painting, Washburn Gallery, New York Art in Our Time (from the collection of the HHK Foundation for Contemporary Art, Inc.), Milwaukee Art Museum, Milwaukee, Wisconsin; traveled to Columbus Museum of Art, Columbus, Ohio; Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, Richmond, Virginia; Krannert Art Museum, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Champaign, Illinois; Contemporary Arts Center, Cincinnati, Ohio; High Museum of Art, Atlanta, Georgia; University of Iowa Museum of Art, Iowa City, Iowa; Brooks Memorial Art Gallery, Memphis, Tennessee; University Art Museum, University of Texas at Austin, Texas

The Geometric Tradition in American Painting: 1920–1980, Rosa Esman and Marilyn Pearl Galleries, New York

L'Amerique aux Independants 1944–1980, Grand Palais des Champs-Elysees, 91eme Exposition, Societe des Artistes Independants, Paris

1979

Constructivism and the Geometric Tradition: Selections from the McCrory Corporation Collection, Albright-Knox Art Gallery, Buffalo, New York; traveled to the Dallas Museum of Fine Arts, Dallas, Texas; San Francisco Museum of Modern Art, San Francisco, California; La Jolla Museum of Contemporary Art (now Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego), San Diego, California; Seattle Art Museum, Seattle, Washington; Carnegie Institute, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art, Kansas City, Missouri; Detroit Institute of Art, Detroit, Michigan; Milwaukee Art Center, Milwaukee, Wisconsin; Denver Art Museum, Denver, Colorado; San Antonio Museum of Art, San Antonio, Texas; New Orleans Museum of Art, New Orleans, Louisiana; Toledo Museum of Art, Toledo, Ohio; Indianapolis

Museum of Art, Indianapolis, Indiana; Cornell University, Ithaca, New York; National Museum of Modern Art, Tokyo, Japan; Hokkaido Museum of Modern Art, Hokkaido, Japan

The 1970s: New American Painting, New Museum of Contemporary Art, New York, exhibition sponsored by the United States Information Agency (USIA); traveled to venues in Belgrade, Serbia; Budapest, Hungary; Bucharest, Romania; Zagreb, Croatia; Ljubljana, Slovenia; Rome, Italy; Copenhagen, Denmark; Warsaw, Poland

Art Inc.: American Paintings from Corporate Collections, Montgomery Museum of Fine Arts, Montgomery, Alabama; traveled to Corcoran Gallery of Art, Washington, D.C.; Indianapolis Museum of Art, Indianapolis,; San Diego Museum of Art, San Diego, California

1978 Recent Acquisitions: Painting and Sculpture, Museum of Modern Art, New York

American Painting of the 1970's, Albright-Knox Art Gallery, Buffalo, New York; traveled to Newport Harbor Art Museum, Newport Beach, California; Oakland Museum, Oakland, California; Cincinnati Art Museum, Cincinnati, Ohio; Art Museum of South Texas, Corpus Christi, Texas; Krannert Art Museum, University of Illinois, Urbana, Illinois

- 1977 Artists Salute Skowhegan, Kennedy Galleries, New York
 A View of a Decade, Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago, Illinois
 Documenta VI, Kassel, Germany
- 1976 Surface, Edge and Color: Paintings by Al Held, Ellsworth Kelly, Agnes Martin, Kenneth Noland, Larry Poons, Frank Stella, Whitney Museum of American Art, Downtown Branch, New York

 A Selection of American Art: The Skowhegan School 1946–1976, Institute of Contemporary Art, Boston; traveled to Colby College Museum of Art, Waterville, Maine
- 1975 76 Jefferson: Fall Penthouse Art Lending Service Exhibition, Museum of Modern Art, New York
 34th Biennial of Contemporary American Painting, Corcoran Gallery of Art, Washington, D.C.
 El Lenguaji del Color, Museo De Arte Moderno, Bogotá, Colombia; traveled to Museo de Bellas Artes, Caracas, Venezuela; Museo de Arte Moderno, Mexico City; Museum of Modern Art, New York

American Abstract Art, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York American Works on Paper 1945–1975, M. Knoedler & Co., New York Large-Scale Paintings, André Emmerich Gallery, New York

1974 *1961: American Painting in the Watershed Year,* Allan Frumkin Gallery, New York

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1973	1973 Biennial Exhibition: Contemporary American Art, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York Small Works: Selections from the Richard Brown Baker Collection of Contemporary Art, Rhode Island School of Design Museum of Art, Providence, Rhode Island
1972	Fall Exhibitions 1972: Selections from the Aldrich Museum Collection and the Invitational Showing of Paintings on Paper, Aldrich Museum of Contemporary Art, Ridgefield, Connecticut
1971	Rose '71: the poetry of vision, Royal Dublin Society, Dublin, Ireland Art of the Decade, 1960–1970: Exhibition of Paintings from the Collections of Greater Detroit, University Art Gallery, Oakland University, Rochester, Michigan Die Sammlung der Emanuel-Hoffmann-Stiftung, Kunstmuseum Basel, Basel, Switzerland
1970	Contemporary Art from Dayton Collections, Dayton Art Institute, Dayton, Ohio American Painting 1970, Virginia Museum, Richmond, Virginia Exhibition of Contemporary Art – 1970, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas
1969	1969 Annual Exhibition: Contemporary American Painting, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York 29th Exhibition by the Society for Contemporary Art, Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois Drawings: An Exhibition of Contemporary American Drawings, Fort Worth Art Center, Fort Worth, Texas
1968	The Pure and Clear: American Innovations, Philadelphia Museum of Art, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania In Honor of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Museum of Modern Art, New York Signals in the Sixties, Honolulu Academy of Arts, Hawaii Documenta IV, Kassel, Germany
1967	Frank O'Hara/In Memory of My Feelings, Museum of Modern Art, New York Large Scale American Paintings, Jewish Museum, New York 1967 Annual Exhibition of Contemporary Paintings, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York The Visual Assault, Georgia Museum of Art, Athens, Georgia
1966	Two Decades of American Painting, National Museum of Modern Art, Tokyo

Painting and Sculpture Today 1974, Indianapolis Museum of Art, Indianapolis,

(organized by the International Council of the Museum of Modern Art, New York); traveled to Kyoto, Japan; Lalit Kala Akademi, New

Delhi, India; Melbourne and Sydney, Australia

Vormen van de Kleur (New Shapes of Color), Stedelijk Museum, Amsterdam, Netherlands; also shown as Formen der Farbe, Württembergischer Kunstverein, Stuttgart, Germany; Kunsthalle, Bern, Switzerland American Schilderijen Collages, Museum Voor Stad en Lande, Groningen, Netherlands

Art of the United States: 1670–1966, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York

Systemic Painting, Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum, New York The First Flint Invitation, Flint Institute of Arts, Flint, Museum Amerikanische Kunst aus Schweizer Besitz, Kunstmuseum, St. Gallen, Switzerland

1965 Signale: Held, Kelly, Mattmüller, Noland, Olitski, Pfahler, Plumb, Turnbull, Kunsthalle, Basel, Switzerland

Concrete Expressionism, Loeb Student Center, New York University, New York 1965 Annual Exhibition: Contemporary American Painting, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York

One Hundred Contemporary American Drawings, University of Michigan Museum of Art, Ann Arbor, Michigan

1964 *1964 Annual Exhibition Contemporary Art*, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York

67th Annual American Exhibition: Directions in Contemporary Painting and Sculpture, Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois

Abstract Watercolors by 14 Americans, American Embassy, London (organized by Museum of Modern Art, New York)

Post Painterly Abstraction, Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Los Angeles; traveled to Walker Art Center, Minneapolis, Minnesota; Art Gallery of Toronto, Canada

Some Paintings to Consider, Santa Barbara Museum of Art, Santa Barbara, California

Sammlung La Peau de l'Ours, Kunsthalle Basel, Switzerland

1963 *Annual Exhibition 1963 – Contemporary American Painting*, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York

Toward a New Abstraction, Jewish Museum, New York

Banners, Graham Gallery, New York

Twenty-Eighth Biennial Exhibition of Contemporary American Painting, Corcoran Gallery, Washington, D.C.

1962 Geometric Abstraction in America, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York

1961	1961, Dallas Museum of Contemporary Art, Dallas, Texas American Abstract Expressionists and Imagists, Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum, New York New York Scene, Marlborough Gallery, London; traveled to Institute of Contemporary Art, Boston, Massachusetts The 1961 Pittsburgh International Exhibition of Contemporary Painting and Sculpture, The Carnegie Institute, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
1960	The Mysterious Sign, Institute of Contemporary Arts, London
1959	Neue Amerikanische Malerei, Kunstmuseum, St. Gallen, Switzerland Twenty-Seven Collages, Area Gallery, New York Art, USA, 59: A Force, A Language, A Frontier, New York Coliseum, New York
1958	Donald Berry/Al Held Paintings, Poindexter Gallery, New York Brata Gallery, New York
1957	Brata Gallery, New York Tanager Gallery, New York
1956	Mid-season Salon, Camino Gallery, New York

Selected awards

2008	America's Best Public Art Projects (2008 Americans for the Arts Annual Convention)
1984	Member, American Academy of Arts and Letters, New York
1983	Jack I. and Lillian L. Poses Creative Arts Award, Painting Medal, Brandeis University
1969	Award for Artists, National Endowment for the Arts
1966	John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation Fellowship in Painting
1964	Frank G. Logan Medal of the Art Institute of Chicago

Public Collections

Ackland Art Museum, North Carolina

Addison Gallery of American Art, Phillips Academy, Andover, Massachusetts

Akron Art Museum, Akron, Ohio

Albany Mall, Governor Nelson A. Rockefeller Empire State Plaza, Albany, New York

American Academy of Arts and Letters, New York

Anderson Collection at Stanford University, Stanford, California

Arkansas Museum of Fine Arts, Little Rock, Arkansas

Art Institute of Chicago, Illinois

Asheville Art Museum, Asheville, North Carolina

Basel Schaulager Münchenstein, Switzerland

Birmingham Museum of Art, Birmingham, Alabama

Blanton Museum of Art, University of Texas-Austin, Texas

Boca Raton Museum of Art, Boca Raton, Florida

Brooklyn Museum, Brooklyn, New York

Buffalo AKG Art Museum, New York

Cantor Arts Center, Stanford University, California

Carnegie Museum of Art, Pittsburg, Pennsylvania

Cerritos Public Library, California

Chazen Museum of Art, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Wisconsin

Cleveland Museum of Art. Ohio

Colby College Museum of Art, Waterville, Maine

Crocker Art Museum, Sacramento, California

Daimler Art Collection, Berlin, Germany

Dallas Museum of Fine Arts, Dallas, Texas

Davis Museum at Wellesley College, Wellesley, Massachusetts

Dayton Art Institute, Dayton, Ohio

Delaware Art Museum, Wilmington, Delaware

Denver Art Museum, Denver, Colorado

Detroit Institute of Arts, Detroit, Michigan

Everson Museum of Art, Syracuse, New York

Flint Institute of Art, Flint, Michigan

Gallery of Modern Art, Iwaki City, Japan

Greenville County Museum of Art, Greenville, South Carolina

Grey Art Gallery, New York University, New York

Haggerty Museum of Art, Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Harvard Art Museums, Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts

Herbert F. Johnson Museum of Art, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York

High Museum of Art, Atlanta, Georgia

Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden, Smithsonian Institution, Washington D.C.

Honolulu Museum of Art, Honolulu, Hawaii

Hood Museum of Art, Dartmouth College, Hanover, New Hampshire

Iwaki City Museum, Iwaki City, Fukushima, Japan

Jacksonville Public Library, Jacksonville, Florida

Joel and Lila Harnett Museum of Art, University of Richmond, Richmond, Virginia

Josef Albers Museum, Bottrop, Germany

Kalamazoo Institute of Arts, Kalamazoo, Michigan

Kemper Museum of Contemporary Art, Kansas City, Missouri

Krannert Art Museum, Champaign, Illinois

Kunsthaus, Zürich, Switzerland

Kunstmuseum Winterhur, Winterhur, Switzerland

Kunstmuseum, Basel, Switzerland

Madison Museum of Contemporary Art, Madison, Wisconsin

Mercedes-Benz Art Collection, Germany

Miami University Art Museum, Oxford, Ohio

Milwaukee Art Center, Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Montana Historical Society, Butte, Montana

Montclair Art Museum, Montclair, New Jersey

Montgomery Museum of Fine Arts, Montgomery, Alabama

MSU Broad Art Museum, East Lansing, Michigan

Muscarelle Museum of Art at The College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, Virginia

Museu Coleção Berardo, Lisbon, Portugal

Museum Kunstpalast, Düsseldorf, Germany

Museum of Art, University of Arizona, Tucson, Arizona

Museum of Art, University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa

Museum of Art, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan

Museum of Art, Washington State University, Pullman, Washington

Museum of Contemporary Art, San Diego, California

Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, Massachusetts

Nasher Museum of Art, Duke University, Durham, North Carolina

National Gallery of Art, Washington D.C.

National Gallery of Australia, Canberra, Australia

National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne, Australia

Neue Nationalgalerie, Berlin, Germany

Newark Museum of Art, Newark, New Jersey

Orlando Museum of Art, Orlando, Florida

Pérez Art Museum, Miami, Florida

Philadelphia Museum of Art, Pennsylvania

Phoenix Art Museum, Phoenix, Arizona

Phyllis and Ross Escalette Permanent Collection, Chapman University, Orange, California

Princeton University Art Museum, Princeton, New Jersey

Rijksmuseum Twenthe Enschede, Enschede, The Netherlands

Rose Art Museum, Brandeis University, Waltham, Massachusetts

Samuel Dorsky Museum of Art, New Paltz, New York

San Francisco Museum of Modern Art, San Francisco, California

Santa Barbara Museum of Art, Santa Barbara, California

Seattle Art Museum, Seattle, Washington

Sheldon Museum of Art, University of Nebraska, Lincoln, Nebraska

Shields Center for Visual Arts at Marywood University, The Maslow Collection, Pennsylvania

Solomon R.Guggenheim Museum, New York

Tate, London, United Kingdom

The Fine Arts Museums of San Francisco, California

The Joslyn Art Museum, Omaha, Nebraska

The Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, New York

The Morgan Library & Museum, New York

The Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, Texas

The Museum of Modern Art, New York, New York

The Phillips Collection, Washington, D.C.

The Ross Art Collection, Ross School of Business, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan

Saint Louis Art Museum, Saint Louis, Missouri

The Smithsonian American Art Museum, Washington, D.C.

The Zimmerli Museum of Art, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, New Jersey

Toledo Museum of Art, Toledo, Ohio

Tyler Museum of Art, Tyler, Texas

Ulmer Museum, Ulm, Germany

University Art Museum, California State University at Long Beach, Long Beach, California

University of Maine Museum of Art, Bangor, Maine

Verein de Freunde der Nationalgalerie, Berlin, Germany

Virginia Museum of Fine Art, Richmond, Virginia

Walker Art Center, Minneapolis, Minneapolis

Weatherspoon Art Gallery, University of North Carolina, Greensboro, North Carolina

Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, New York

Worcester Art Museum, Worcester, Massachusetts

Yale University Art Gallery, New Haven, Connecticut

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