

MIKE BERG

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(b. 1956 Portland, Oregon USA)

Lives and works in Istanbul, Turkey and New York, NY

EDUCATION

- 1971 BA University of Washington, Seattle
- 1972 BFA, Fort Wright College, Spokane, WA
- 1972 Resident, Skowhegan School of Painting and Sculpture, MA

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2017 upcoming solo show: Degenerate Work, Site: Brooklyn , NY. *(with essay and book design by Stanley Moss)*
- 2016 The Stremmel Gallery, Reno, Nevada
- 2015 Kocaman Kafes, at Galeri Nev, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2013-14 Recent Textiles, Museum of Contemporary Art, San Diego
- 2013 Mike Berg: Taking Chances, Museum of Contemporary Art, San Diego
- 2012 Simple Geometry, Galeri Nev, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2012 Believing in Impossible Things, Ankara, Turkey
- 2011 5/3 Insane, PGArtSpace, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2010 Heavy Metal, Galeri Nev, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2008 The Aftermath of Sunny Days, Galeri Nev, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2006 Run My Hand Around The Font, Center for Contemporary Art, Seattle, WA
You Can't Say It That Way Anymore, Galeri Nev, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2005 Galleons And Towers, Kadir Has Üniversitesi, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2004 Mistaking Street Lamps for Planets, Lorinda Knight Gallery, Spokane, WA
- 2003 Mike Berg at the Hagia Sofia Museum, Istanbul, Turkey
Bronze Age, Galeri Nev, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2001 Florence DeVoldere Salon, Paris, France
- 2000 Little House of Our Desire, Dulcinea, Istanbul, Turkey
What Days Are For, Sling Shot Gallery, New York, NY
What Days Are For, Heriard/Cimino Gallery, New Orleans, LA
- 1999 Now It Goes Smoothly, Gina Fiore Salon of Fine Arts, Chelsea Hotel, New York, NY
Now It Goes Smoothly, Eastern Washington University, Cheney, WA
- 1998 A Family of Stories, Boulder Museum of Contemporary Art, Boulder, CO
- 1997 A Haven of Serenity and Unreachable, Rule Gallery, Denver, CO
Patterns in Time, Maria Henle Studio, St. Croix, USVI
- 1995 Visions Fugitives, Elaine Kaufman Cultural Center, New York, NY
A History of Backward Glances, Lee Arthur Studio, New York, NY
- 1993 Lee Arthur Studio, New York, NY
- 1991 Sharon Truax Gallery, Venice, CA
- 1990 McGrath Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
- 1989 Earl McGrath Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
56 Bleecker Gallery, New York, NY
- 1988 Mike Berg in the Tin Room, 56 Bleecker Gallery, New York, NY
- 1987 Inaugural Exhibition, The Queens Museum, New York, NY
The Donald Wren Gallery, New York, NY
Interior/Exterior: Architectural Fantasies, Untitled, The Queens Museum, New York, NY
- 1986 Guid'Arte Gallery, Rome, Italy
- 1985 Louisiana State University, School of Art Gallery, Baton Rouge
- 1984 Noel Butcher Gallery, Philadelphia, PA

GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2016 Rassegna Di Arti E Culture Roccatederighi, Italy
- 2014 3rd Mardin Bienal, Mitolojiler, Turkey
- 2014 Path of Sculptures That Lead to Miro, Baksi Museum, Bayburt, Turkey
- 2010 Delirium: Wave Two, Illiterate Media, Denver, CO
Türbülans, Galeri Nev, İstanbul, Turkey
- 2009 Delirium: Wave One, Illiterate Media, Denver, CO
- 2006 The El Paseo Exhibition, Palm Desert, CA
New Visions, The Harrison Gallery, Williamstown, MA
- 2002 Group Exhibition, Galeri Nev, İstanbul, Turkey
After 10 Years, Maria Henle Gallery, St. Croix, USA
- 2001 Layers, Anita Friedman Fine Arts, New York, NY
- 1998 LA Current, Armand Hammer Museum, Los Angeles, CA
- 1997 Collaboration, Montgomery Gallery, Pomona College, CA
- 1996 Red, Rule Galley, Denver, CO
Mike Berg, Stephane Herbelin, and Andre Raffin, Jean-Louis Breux Contemporary Art, Houston, TX
- 1995 The Beauty Salon, Barbara Braathen Gallery, New York, NY
- 1994 One Night Stand: 60 Rooms with a View, Art Hotel at the Hilton, Amsterdam
Winter Salon, Lee Arthur Studio, New York, NY
- 1993 Icon Objects Fetishes, Studio Raid, Los Angeles, CA
- 1992 The Earl McGrath Gallery in New York, Anthony Ralph Gallery, New York, NY
Transformations, Lee Arthur Studio, New York, NY
Still Lives, Zen Center Hospice, San Francisco, CA
- 1991 Invitational '91, Richard Green, Santa Monica, CA
Maquettes, Sharon Truax, Venice, CA
- 1990 Auction for Action, Act UP/NEW YORK
Paula Cooper Gallery, New York, NY
Carl Apfelschnitt Benefit, Nicole Klagsbrun, New York, NY
A Bid of Love, God's Love We Deliver, Sotheby's March 6, New York, NY
- 1989 Christmas Group: Old and New, Earl McGrath Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
- 1987 The Nude Show, One Penn Plaza, New York, NY
Visiting Artists' Show, Cantor Art Gallery, Holy Cross College, Worcester, MA
- 1986 Franklin Adams, Mike Berg, George Siejka, and Stanley Sporny, Gallery Simone Stern, New Orleans, LA
The Tar Show, Attitude Art, New York, NY
Interiors, One Penn Plaza, New York, NY
- 1985 Notions of Contemporary Surrealism, Vanderwoude/Tananbaum, New York, NY
Artist Toys and Ornaments, Vanderwoude/Tanabaum, New York, NY
Artists' Choice, Gallery Simone Stern, New Orleans, LA
- 1984 The First Eight Years, Artists' Choice Museum, New York, NY
- 1983 Bodies and Souls, Kornblee Gallery, New York, NY
Painted Light, Traveling Exhibition: Reading Museum, PA; Queens Museum of Art, Flushing Meadows, NY; Colby College Art Museum, Waterville, MA; Butler Institute of American Art, Youngstown, OH
- 1982 An Appreciation of Realism, Munson Proctor Williams Institute, Utica, NY
- 1981 Narrative Painting, Allan Frumkin Gallery, New York, NY
Narrative Painting, Butcher-Moore Gallery, Philadelphia, PA; Odyssia Gallery, New York, NY
- 1980 Young Artists, Artists' Choice Museum, New York, NY
- 1977 In Praise of Space, Traveling Exhibition: Westminster College, New Wilmington, PA; Gross McCleaf Gallery, Philadelphia, PA; Corcoran Gallery, Washington DC; Parsons School of Design, New York, NY

SELECTED BIBLIOGRAPHY

- 2015 "Simplicity is the Soul of Art". Yalinlik Sanatin Ruhudur, Nilufer Sasmazer, Istanbul Art News, January
- 2011 "A New Breath In Contemporary Sculpture". Ozgur Guzel Karasu, Yapi (Architectural Journal), May
- 2010 "Mike Berg at Galeri Nev; Rust as the Concept of Death Reigns Supreme".
Emin Cetin Girgin, Contemporary Criticism, February 7
"Mike Berg and Heavy Metal". Piri Arikonmaz, Haber Turk, January 9
- 2003 "Bronze Age". Sezer MariaSergilerden Seçmeler, Türkiye Sanat Yilligi,
"Istanbul'da bir Amerikalı Sanatçı". Duru, Sezer, Cumhuriyet, October 20
- 2000 "Arzularimin Küçük Evi". Cumhuriyet, October 30
"Arzularimin Küçük Evi". Arrademento Mimarlik, November Ozsoy, Gunnur, Kavram İçinde Sanat, Vizyon Dekorasyon, Ocak
"Mike Berg: A Small House of My Desires". McAnilly, Molly. Turkish Daily News, November 26
"A Cut Above: Category defying artworks offer best of both worlds". MacCash, Doug, Times Picayune, New Orleans, LA. August 25
- 1999 "perfect picture". Keeps, David A. Elle Décor. November
"Beauty in Simplicity". Boggs, Sheri. The Inlander, Spokane, WA. November 9
"Mike Berg: Painting a New Design". Scott, Wendy. The Easterner, EWU. November 4
- 1998 "The Days Now Move From Left to Right". Heath, Jennifer. Boulder Planet. April 18
Work That Fits a Timeless Pattern". Chandler, Mary Voelz. The Rocky Mountain News, ART & ARCHITECTURE, March
- 1997 "A thing of Beauty Is...". Petry, Michael. June
"Painted Patterns". The Virgin Island Daily News. February 27
- 1996 Henry, Gerrit, ART News, March
"Going One Better Than Brownstone". Louie, Elaine. The New York Times, Currents, January 11
- 1995 "Art Diary". Napack, Jonathan. The New York Observer, June 12
- 1994 "Art Breaking". Finch, Charlie. WBAI, November 3
- 1993 Ash, John, ARTFORUM, Summer Issue
"Anarchy". New York Magazine. October 25
- 1990 "Todd Minor, Mike Berg, John Germain". Shields, Patricia. Patricia Shields on Art, December 14
"West Hollywood". Century Cable Television, Los Angeles, CA. Angeles Magazine, November
- 1989 Donahue, Marlene, The Los Angeles Times, May 8
Hornung, David, ART News, January
- 1988 Schwendenwien, Jude, ARTFORUM, December

PUBLICATIONS/CATALOGS

- Mike Berg: Taking Chances, James Chute, Union Tribune, San Diego
5/3 Insane. Istanbul, Turkey: PG ArtSpace, 2011. Print.
Heavy Metal. Istanbul, Turkey: Galeri Nev, 2011. Print.
Our Art World: The Silence of Iron and Thread. Istanbul, Turkey: Sanat
Dunyamiz, Evrim Altug, 2008. Print.
Mike Berg. Istanbul, Turkey: NewARTTV, 2009. Print.
The Aftermath of Sunny Days. Istanbul, Turkey, 2008. Print.
You Can't Say It That Way Anymore. Istanbul, Turkey: Evrim Altug, 2006. Print.
Galleons and Towers. Istanbul, Turkey: Kadir Has University, 2005. Print.
Vision Décoration, Concept In the Art. Istanbul, Turkey, 2001. Print.
A Family of Stories. Boulder, CO: Boulder Museum of Contemporary Art, 1998. Print.
A History of Backward Glances. New York, NY: Lee Arthur, 1995. Print

COMMISSIONS

- 1998 Mural Project: The Days Now Move From Left to Right, Boulder Museum of Contemporary Art, CO
- 1998 Mural Project: A Walk Across Continents, Christopher and Alida Latham, Seattle, WA
- 1995 Mural Project: 20 Renwick Street, New York, NY