# Zak Prekop

Born in 1979 Lives in Red Hook, New York

## Education

2009 2008 2001	Staatliche Hochschule für Bildende Künste, Städelschule, Frankfurt, Germany MFA, The School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois BFA, Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
Solo Exhibitions	
2024	Painting What I Did, Maxwell Graham Gallery, New York, New York
2022	Basho Revelations, Galería Marta Cervera, Madrid, Spain In the office, Maxwell Graham/Essex Street, New York, New York
2021	Mirrored Weeks, Maxwell Graham/Essex Street, New York, New York
2019	Hagiwara Projects, Tokyo, Japan Shane Campbell Gallery, Chicago, Illinois
2018	Maxwell Graham/Essex Street, New York, New York
2016	Shane Campbell Gallery, Chicago, Illinois
2015	Maxwell Graham/Essex Street, New York, New York Thomas Duncan Gallery, Los Angeles, California
2014	Galería Augustina Ferreyra, San Juan, Puerto Rico Hagiwara Projects, Tokyo, Japan Shane Campbell Gallery, Chicago, Illinois
2012	Harris Lieberman, New York, New York Thomas Duncan Gallery, Los Angeles, California
2011	Shane Campbell Gallery, Chicago, Illinois Shane Campbell Gallery, Oak Park, Illinois
2010	Galería Marta Cervera, Madrid, Spain Harris Lieberman, New York, New York
2008	Shane Campbell Gallery, Chicago, Illinois
Selected Group Exhibitions	
2023	Basic Matters: Substance in Contemporary Art, Columbus Museum of Art, Columbus, Ohio
2022	File Under Freedom, Bergen Kunsthall, Bergen, Norway
2021	New Space / New Works, Hagiwara Projects, Tokyo, Japan
2020	When Sun Comes Out, Blank Forms, New York, New York
2016	Conversation Between a Mirror and the Sea, Fourteen 30 Contemporary, Portland, Oregon Maximum Minimum in Unum, Miller Gallery at Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

2015 75 Gifts for 75 Years, Walker Art Center, Minneapolis, Minnesota

Civilization and Its Discontents: SAIC Alumni Exhibition, Selections from 1985–2015, curated by Scott Reeder and Tyson Reeder, Sullivan Galleries, Chicago, Illinois

ESSEX STREET @ ESSEX STREET, Maxwell Graham/Essex Street, New York, New York

Heather Guertin, Eberhard Havekost, Peter Mandradjieff, Charles Mayton, Zak Prekop, Torben Ribe, Galerie Hussenot, Paris, France

Painting at the Edge of Art, Contemporary Art Galleries, University of Connecticut, Storrs, Connecticut

- 2014 *Colony Room*, Simon Preston Gallery, New York, New York *paintings*, Hagiwara Projects, Tokyo, Japan
- 2013 Equilibrium, Ritter/Zamet, London, United Kingdom Long Instant Short Hour, Thomas Duncan Gallery, Los Angeles, California Painter, Painter, curated by Eric Crosby and Bartholomew Ryan, Walker Art Center, Minneapolis, Minnesota Peter Mandradjeff, Zak Prekop, Shane Campbell Gallery, Chicago, Illinois
- 2012 *I Think and That Is All I Am*, Thomas Duncan Gallery, Los Angeles, California *Modern Talking*, curated by Nicola Trezzi, Cluj Museum, Romania Harris Lieberman, New York, New York
- 2011 Four Rooms, curated by Nicola Trezzi, CSW Zamek, Warsaw, Poland Tax Day News & Smoke, Emily Harvey Foundation, New York, New York
- 2011 Haley Mellin/Olivier Mosset [and Back Room], UNTITLED, New York, New York Modern Minimal and Optical, Conduits Gallery, Milan, Italy Pittsburgh Biennial, Carnegie Museum of Art, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania Prague Biennial 5, Prague, Czech Republic
- 2010 Greater New York, PS1, Long Island City, New York It's All American, New Jersey MoCA, Asbury Park, New Jersey Process/Abstraction, Paul Kasmin Gallery, New York, New York Shape Language, Nicole Klagsbrun Gallery, New York, New York Spontaneous Generation, Zach Feuer, New York, New York Untitled (Painting), Shaheen Modern and Contemporary, Cleveland, Ohio What Where, curated by Thomas Duncan, Sutton Lane, London, U.K.
- 2009 Jon Pestoni and Zak Prekop, Lisa Cooley Fine Art, New York, New York Richard Aldrich, Zak Prekop, Lesley Vance, Roger Björkholmen Galleri, Stockholm, Sweden Still Life, The Caribic, Frankfurt Am Main, Germany
- 2008 Bauhaus Art Show, Guertin's Graphics, Chicago, Illinois

Bianca Beck, Josh Brand, Matt Connors, Zak Prekop, Hayley Tompkins, Sue Tompkins, Shane Campbell Gallery, Chicago, Illinois

Cregswell Crags, Lisa Cooley, New York, New York

Paul Bloodgood, Matt Connors, Ryan McLaughlin, Elena Pankova, Zak Prekop, Michael Wetzel, Susanne Hilberry Gallery, Detroit, Michigan

Re-presentations, New York City; Pilsen, Chicago, Illinois

Varda Calvano, Matt Connors, Thomas Hylander, Zak Prekop, Karyn Lovegrove Gallery, Los Angeles, California You Are Many, M.F.A. Thesis Exhibition, Gallery 2, The School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois

- 2007 More or Less: Rodney Carswell/Zak Prekop, Devening Projects, Chicago, Illinois The Nature of Disturbance, Rowland Contemporary, Chicago, Illinois
- 2005 Greater Brooklyn, CRG Gallery, New York, New York

#### **Projects**

- 2010 The Art of the Hurrays/Skeksis Head, with Hurray, Harris Lieberman, New York
- 2009 From a Position, with Heather Guertin, Evanston Art Center, Evanston, Illinois What Was the Idea, curated by Zak Prekop, Devening Projects and Editions, Chicago, Illinois
- Ghost Art Is a Lie: Heather Guertin, Neil Infalvi, Zak Prekop, Gallery X, The School of the Art Institute of Chicago, 2008 Chicago, Illinois No Legs, curated by Zak Prekop, Alogon, Chicago, Illinois

Rotations (One Work): Heather Guertin, Neil Infalvi, Zak Prekop, Rowley Kennerk Gallery, Chicago, Illinois

- Bring the War Home, with Hurray, Elizabeth Dee, New York, New York and QED, Los Angeles, California 2006 Hurray, The Mandrake, Los Angeles, California North Drive Press Presents NDP: The Movie, Performance with Hurray, The Kitchen, New York, New York The Fact Abstract, with Hurray, Dorsky Gallery, Queens, New York
- 2005 Hurray, Nicole Klagsbrun Gallery, New York, New York KA/VH: RA/AG, performance with Hurray and Amy Granat, Oliver Kamm 5BE, New York, New York
- Perfect If On, performance with Peter Mandradjieff, Andrew Kreps Gallery, New York, New York 2003

#### Awards

- 2008 Joan Mitchell M.F.A Grant Nominee
- 2006 Trustee Scholarship, The School of the Art Institute of Chicago

### **Selected Bibliography**

- 2024 Martinelli Clark, Andy. "Critic's Pick," Artforum, April 5, 2024.
- 2021 "Zak Prekop: Mirrored Weeks," The Guide. Art, March 2021.
- 2018 Zak Prekop, New York: ESSEX STREET and Hassla, 2018. (catalogue)
- 2016 Girson, Matthew. "Zak Prekop," THE SEEN, November 2016. MacMillan, Kyle. "Zak Prekop," Art in America, December 2016, pp. 124–125.
- 2015 Hudson, Suzanne. "About Painting," in *Painting Now*, New York: Thames & Hudson, 2015, pp. 6, 194–195. Prekop, Sam and Zak Prekop. "One billion tiny dots, a modular synthesizer, and Japanese ceramics," BOMB Magazine, May 14, 2015.

Proctor, Jacob. "Zak Prekop," Artforum, January 2015, pp. 218–219.

"Zak Prekop," The New Yorker, October 25, 2015, p. 8.

- 2013 Abbe, Mary. "Painters return to Walker in a new show," Star Tribune, February 8, 2013. Thomas, Jonathan. "Painter Painter," Frieze, June-August 2013.
- Fee, Brian. "Excavating Abstraction," New American Paintings, March 2012. 2012 Fiske, Courtney. "Critics' Picks: Zak Prekop," Artforum, March 2012. Hudson, Suzanne. "Zak Prekop," Artforum, May 2012.
- 2011 Byers, Daniel. "Zak Prekop," Flash Art, October 2011.
- 2009 Montreuil, Gregory. "Review: John Pestoni and Zak Prekop," Flash Art, November-December 2009.
- 2008 Orendorff, Danny, "Review: Zak Prekop/Shane Campbell Gallery," NewCity, December 9, 2008. Smith, Roberta. "Cregswell Crags," The New York Times, September 25, 2008.

- Wenzel, Erik. "Unpainted Recent Abstract Painting," Artslant, June 2008.
- 2007 Keegan, Matt. "Top Ten: Matt Keegan," *Artforum*, February 2006. Wenzel, Erik. "Review: The Nature of Disturbance," *Time Out Chicago* 101, February 2007.
- 2005 Smith, Roberta. "Art in Review: Greater Brooklyn," The New York Times, July 8, 2005.