# RICHARD HULL

b. 1955 Oklahoma City, OK Lives and works in Chicago

## **EDUCATION**

1996

Gallery A, Inc., Chicago, IL

1979 1977 1976	MFA, The School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL BFA, Kansas City Art Institute, Kansas City, MO Skowhegan School of Painting and Sculpture, Skowhegan, ME	
SOLO EXHIBITIONS		
2020	Painting and Drawing, Bruno David Gallery, St. Louis, MO	
2018	Western Exhibitions, Chicago, IL	
2016	Richard Hull, Merwin and Wakely Galleries, Illinois Wesleyan University, Bloomington, IL	
2015	Western Exhibitions, Chicago, IL	
2014	Metropolitan Capital Bank, organized by Nixon Art Associates. Chicago, IL	
2013	Bruno David Gallery, St. Louis	
2012	Western Exhibitions, Chicago, IL	
2011	Paintings and Drawings, Charlotte & Phillip Hanes Art Gallery, Wake Forest University, NC	
2010	Partial Vision, Western Exhibitions, Chicago, IL	
2008	Carrie Secrist Gallery, Chicago IL	
2006	37 Day Drawing, Carrie Secrist Gallery, Chicago IL Tarble Arts Center, Eastern Illinois University, Charleston Illinois Carrie Secrist Gallery, Chicago IL Saginaw Valley State University, Saginaw Valley, MI	
2003	Carrie Secrist Gallery, Chicago, IL Rule Gallery, Denver, CO	
2001	Carrie Secrist Gallery, Chicago, IL Rule Gallery, Denver, CO Collaboration with Ken Vandermark, The Arts Club of Chicago, Chicago IL	
1999	Carrie Secrist Gallery, Chicago, IL U.U., Brooklyn, NY	
1998	Bradley University, Peoria, IL	
1997	Gallery A, Inc., Chicago, IL University Club, Chicago, IL	



1995	Phyllis Kind Gallery, Chicago, IL
1993	Phyllis Kind Gallery, Chicago, IL Butters Gallery, Portland, OR Rule Modern, Denver, CO
1992	Arthur Roger Gallery, New Orleans, LA PrintWorks Gallery, Chicago, IL
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1982	Phyllis Kind Gallery, New York, NY
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1980	Phyllis Kind Gallery, Chicago, IL
1979	Phyllis Kind Gallery, New York, NY

### **GROUP EXHIBITIONS**

- 2019 What Came After: Figurative Painting in Chicago 1978-1998, Elmhurst Art Museum, Elmhurst, IL The Chicago Imagists: Before & After, Lubeznik Center for the Arts, Michigan City, IN
- 2018 New to Mia: Art from Chicago, Minneapolis Institute of Art, Minneapolis, MN
- 2017 *American Genre: Contemporary Painting*, The Institute of Contemporary Art at Maine College of Art, Portland, ME, curated by Michelle Grabner
- Open, Illinois State Museum, Lockport, II. September 24, 2016 To January 22, 2017
   Maid's Room, Roberto Paradise, 802 Roberto H. Todd Ave, San Juan, Puerto Rico
   Return of the Exquisite Corpse, Printworks Gallery, 331 W Superior, Ste 105, Chicago, IL
   Homegrown: The School of the Art Institute in the Permanent Collection, Art Institute of Chicago
   HeadSpace, Morris-Warren Gallery, 171 Chrystie St, NY, NY
   Roberto Paradise, 802 Roberto H. Todd Ave, San Juan, Puerto Rico
   New Prints 2016, IPCNY, 508 W 26th St, New York, NY

2015	La Palette, Ed Paschke Art Center, Chicago IL RUTH: Selections from the Horwich Collection. Russell Bowman Art Advisory, Chicago, IL
2014	Rocket Run: Abstraction from Chicago. Elder Gallery, Nebraska Wesleyan University, Lincoln, NE
2013	New Again, UNLV Marjorie Barrick Museum, Las Vegas, NV
2012	Push, Pull, Riverside Art Center, Riverside IL Afterimage, DePaul Art Museum, Chicago, IL Someone Else's Dream, curated by John McKinnon, Hyde Park Art Center. Chicago, IL
2011	After the Readymade, Smart Museum, Chicago, IL Anchor Graphics: Surveying the Collection, Riverside Art Center, Riverside, IL
2010	Spaces Within, Rockford Art Museum, Rockford, IL Touch and Go, Sullivan Galleries, SAIC, Chicago, IL ON PTG, Western Exhibitions, Chicago, IL
2009	Modern and Contemporary Works On Paper, the Art Institute of Chicago Submerged Artists, The Dark Fair, Cologne Germany
2008	The Dark Fair, the Swiss Institute, New York City,NY 2008 Preview, Carrie Secrist Gallery, Chicago, IL Passionate Perspective, Rockford Museum of Art, Rockford, IL
2007	Wish you were here, Carrie Secrist Gallery, Chicago, Il The ChalkBoard Chronicles, New York City, NY The Exquisite Snake, Mary and Leigh Block Museum of Art. Evanston IL
2006	Abstract Imagism, Corbett vs, Dempsey, Chicago IL
2005	The Pintura Series: Richard Hull- visuals, Ken Vandermark- solo reeds Bookmarks, 25th Anniversary Show, Printworks, Chicago IL
2007	Water World, South Bend Regional Museum Of Art, South Bend IN Departures, Carrie Secrist Gallery, Chicago IL The Poetry Center Broadside Exhibit, Judy Saslow Gallery, Chicago IL For The Birds, the Clarke House Museum, Chicago IL
2003	Modern Shadows, The Painting Center, New York, NY
2002	Shifting, Carrie Secrist Gallery, Chicago, IL Plotting, Carrie Secrist Gallery, Chicago, IL Sherry Leedy Gallery, Kansas City, MO
2001	Amused, Carrie Secrist Gallery, Chicago, IL The Kitchen Sink, Tom McCormick Gallery, Chicago, IL
2000	Sextablos, Hyde Park Art Center, Hyde Park, IL Redbud Gallery, Houston, TX Self-Portraits, Printworks Gallery, Chicago, IL
1998	Gallery A, Inc., Chicago, IL Collaboration '98, PrintWorks, Chicago, IL

Drawing Invitational, Parkland College Art Gallery, Champaign, IL

- 1997 Testwalls: The Chalkboard Chronicles, T'Zart Co., New York, NY
  - Landfall Press: Twenty-five years of Printmaking in Chicago 1935-1995, Maryana Leigh Block Gallery,

Northwestern University, Evanston, IL

Mental Visual Manual, Foster Gallery, University of Wisconsin Eau Claire, WI

Dwelling, Suburban Fine Arts Center, Highland Park, IL

- 1996-7 Art in Chicago, Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago, IL Art In The Family, Peltz Gallery, Milwaukee, WI
- 1995 Landfall Press 25 Year Anniversary, Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL

Pulp Fiction, Gallery A, Chicago, IL

Surface, Judith Racht Gallery, Michigan

Phyllis Kind Gallery Revisited, The Foster Gallery, University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire, WI

Small, Butters Gallery, Portland, OR

- 1994 Small Details: Intimate Images through Artists' Eyes, Lakeview Museum of Arts and Sciences Annual Exhibition of Artist Members, The Arts Club of Chicago, Chicago, IL
- 1993 *Divided Spaces: Richard Hull, Miyoko Ito, David Richards*, Phyllis Kind Gallery, and Chicago, IL ... *A Loose Form of Narrative*...., Gallery A, Chicago, IL

10th Anniversary of Artists in Residence, The University of Tennessee, Ewing Gallery of Art and Architecture,

Knoxville, TN

Annual Exhibition of Artist Members, The Arts Club of Chicago, Chicago, IL

My Father's House Has Many Mansions, Phyllis Kind Gallery, New York, NY

Ars Nova Judges Show, Northern Illinois University Art Museum, DeKalb, IL

- 1992 Annual Exhibition of Artist Members, The Arts Club of Chicago, Chicago, IL Images from the 1980's, Samual P. Harnes Museum of Art, Gainesville, FL
- 1991 Summer Group Show, World Tatoo Gallery, Chicago, IL Art on Paper, Weatherspoon Art Gallery, University of North Carolina at Greensboro Portraits of a Kind, Phyllis Kind Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 1990 *79th Annual Exhibition/Small Bite out of the Big Apple*, Maier Museum of Art, Randolph-Macon Women's College, Lynchburg, VA

Regarding Art: Artworks About Art, Kohler Art Center, Sheboygan, WI

Chicago Painters in Print: Brown, Paschke, Hull, Lostutter, Pasin-Sloan, Bamson, Wirsum, Landfall Press, Chicago, IL

1989 American Art Since World War II: Recent Acquisitions in the Department of Prints and Drawings, The Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL

Recent Acquisitions/1988, Milwaukee Art Museum, Milwaukee, WI

- 1988 Chicago Now!, The South Bend Art Center, South Bend, IN
- 1987 *Richard Hull/ Michael Nakoneczny*, The Davidson Gallery, Seattle, WA *Chicago Style: Five Leading Artists*, Elliot Smith Gallery, St. Louis, MO
- 1986-7 *The Contemporary Arts Center Biennial*, The Contemporary Arts Center, Cincinnati, OH, and Travelling Exhibition; The Cleveland Institute of Art, Cleveland, OH; Herron Gallery of Art, Indianapolis, IN; Cranbrook Academy of Art, Bloomfield Hills, MI
- 1986 Showehegan Alumni Exhibition, Leo Castelli Gallery, New York, NY



- 1985 The Eighty-first Exhibition by Artists of Chicago and Vicinity, The Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL
- 1984 Ten Years of Collecting at the MCA, Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago, IL The Eightieth Exhibition by Artist of Chicago and Vicinity, The Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL Chicago Cross Section, Trsolini Gallery, Ohio University at Athens Bright Lights, Big City, Phyllis Kind Gallery, New York, NY (Curated by John Yau) Sculpture and Painting, Hill Gallery, Birmingham, MI Midwest Invitational, Clark Arts Center, Rockford College, Rockford, IL Chicago: Emerging Visions, The Paine Art Center and Arboretum, Oshkosh, WI
- 1983-84 *Eleven Chicago Artists*, Educational Outreach Program, Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago, IL; and traveling to Chicago area schools
- 1983 Chicago Scene, Mandeville art Gallery, University of California, San Diego, San Diego, CA Habitats, Klein Gallery, Chicago, IL; and traveling to Wright Museum of Art, Beloit College, WI The Painterly Print, Douglas Drake Gallery, Kansas City, KS
- 1982-83 Dialect=Dialect: A Group Show of Artists with Complex Individual Vocabularies, Phyllis Kind Galleries, New York, NY and Chicago, IL
- 1982 Painting and Sculpture Today, Indianapolis, IN
  Selections from the Denis Adrian Collection, Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago, IL
- 1981-83 *Prints and Multiples, seventy-ninth Exhibition of Artists of Chicago and Vicinity,* The Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL and traveling to The Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D.C.; Portland Art Museum, OR
- 1981 New Visions, The Aldrich Museum of Contemporary Art, Ridgefield CT
- 1980 Seventy-Ninth Exhibition of Artists of Chicago and Vicinity, The Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL (William H. Bartels Prize) Chicago / Chicago, Contemporary Art Center, Cincinnati, OH
- 1978 4/4 Show, West Hubbard Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 1975-77 Thirty Miles of Art, Nelson Atkins Museum of Art, Kansas City, MO
- 1975 First Time Out Together, Cromwell Gallery, Kansas City, MO

#### COLLECTIONS

Metropolitan Pier & Exposition Authority, McCormick Center South Hall, Chicago
American Medical Association, Chicago
The Art Institute of Chicago
Arthur Anderson Co., Chicago
Bates Museum of Art, Lewiston, Maine
Chase Manhattan Bank, New York
Chemical Bank, New York
The Contemporary Museum, Honolulu
Fidelity Investments Corporate Art Collection
First National Bank Chicago
Samuel P. Harnes Museum of Art, Gainesville, Florida
Illinois State Museum, Springfield
Madison Art Center, Wisconsin

Metropolitan Pier & Exposition Authority, McCormick Center South Hall, Chicago

Milwaukee Art Center, Wisconsin

Minneapolis Institute of Art, Minneapolis, MN

Morningstar Inc., Chicago

Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago

Museum of Fine Arts, Houston

Nelson-Atkins Museum Kansas City

Nerman Museum of Contemporary Art, Overland Park, KS

Northern Illinois University, Dekalb IL

Northwestern University, Chicago

Neuberger Museum of Art, Purchase, NY

Soho House Chicago

Soho House Ludlow, New York

Smart Museum, Chicago

San Antonio Museum of Art, Texas

The Smithsonian, Washington D.C.

Weatherspoon Art Collection, Greensboro, North Carolina

West Virginia University Museum, WV

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Chicago Gallery News. Ginny Van Alyea, "Richard Hull: Chicago's Lasting Impression on an Artist." September 2, 2019.

DeGroot Fine Art. Brontë Mansfield, "Richard Hull: One Artist, Three Client Projects." September 4, 2019.

- 2018 Hyperallergic. John Yau, "Richard Hull's hall of mirrors." April 22, 2018.
- 2016 Hyperallergic. John Yau, "Weekend Studio Visit: Richard Hull in East Village, Chicago." October 9, 2016. NewCity Art. Elliot Reichert, "Art 50 2016, Chicago's Artists' Artists." September 15, 2016.
- 2015 Hyperallergic. John Yau, "A Tantalizing Glimpse into the World of Barbara Rossi." October 18, 2015. Chicago Tribune. Editors, "Pick of the week." May 28, 2015.
- 2014 Inside/Within, Kate Sierzputowski, "Richard Hull's Elliptic Silhouettes." September 2014.
- 2012 Art: 21 Blog. Caroline Picard, "Afterimage: An Interview with Dahlia Tulett-Gross and Thea Liberty Nichols." December 26, 2012.

Time Out Chicago. Laura Weinberg, "'Afterimage' at DePaul Art Museum | Art review" October 18, 2012.

New American Paintings Blog. Steven Zevitas, "Expo Chicago Wrap-Up: Part One." September 25, 2012.

ArtSlant. Alicia Chester, "Afterimage." September 18, 2012.

New City. Bert Stabler, "Lilli Carré and Richard Hull." April 24, 2012.

Huffington Post. Paul Klein, "Scads of Quality." April 20, 2012.

New American Paintings. NAP #101 Midwest Competition.

New City. A-J Aronstein, "Someone Else's Dream." February 14, 2012.

- 2011 BOMB. Richard Hull, "Jim Nutt & Gladys Nilsson." Issue 114: Winter 2011.
- 2010 New City. Nate Lee, "Portrait of the Artist: Richard Hull." April 5, 2010.

Chicago Art Magazine. Robin Dluzen, "Richard Hull at Western Exhibitions." April 4, 2010.

ArtSlant. Marla Seidell, "Humorous Blobs." April 17, 2010.

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Elavorpill. Beatrice Smigasiewicz, "Richard Hull." Mar 30-Apr 5, 2010.

Huffington Post. Paul Klein, "It's the 'Good Art' Time of Year." March 26, 2010.



- 2008 <u>Chicago Magazine.</u> Christine Newman, "Rooms with Memories." April 2008.
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- 2006 Chicago Tribune. Alan Artner, "Imagist Show an Unlikly Collection..." November 17, 2006.
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   Chicago Tribune. Alan Artner, "Hull's artwork becoming more refined...." March 10, 2006.
   NewCity. Michael Workman, "Chance Encounter." March 9, 2006.
- 2005 <u>Timeout Chicago</u>. Matthew Lurie, "The Pintura Series." September 2005. <u>The Chicago Sun Times</u>. Bill Zwecker, "Thomson's Walk on the North Side." 2005.
- The New York Observer. Mario Naves, "Only the Shadows Know." April 2003.
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  Ten Years, Twenty-nine Artists. Don Kurka. Exhibition Catalogue, Ewing Gallery of Art and Architecture.
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- 1990 <u>Chicago Magazine</u>. Henry Hanson, "Lithographs Set Stage for Theater Festival." July 1990. Art International. Lisa Wainwright, "Chicago/Beyond Imagism." Summer 1990.
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1982 Art International. Ann Lee Morgan, "A Chicago Letter / Selections from the Dennis Adrian collection." November/December 1982.

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Essay "Richard Hull" by Lynn Warren. *Selections from the Denis Adrian Collection*. John Halmark Neff. Exhibition catalogue, Museum of Contemporary Art.

Portfolio. Reagan Upshaw, "Painting in Chicago: Blue Collar Surrealism meets Prairie Abstraction." May/June 1982.

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#### SPECIAL PROJECTS

- 2018 *A Conversation with Sarah Canright*, at the opening of the Chicago Show, Brooklyn, NY. *Hairy Who? 1966-1969*, essay for exhibition catalog. The Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL.
- 2012 Ken Vandermark and Richard Hull, "Event" Depaul University Art Museum, Chicago IL
- 2011 BOMB Magazine. "Jim Nutt & Gladys Nilsson" (interview). Bomb 114/Winter 2011
- 2007 Curator, "STRUCK" New Paintings by New Painters, Carrie Secrist Gallery, Chicago IL Visuals, T.S. Elliots "The Wasteland", The Museum of Contemporary Art Cover, "The Bulletin of the Atomic Scientist"
- 2006 Video Visuals, "The Pintura Series. Spring, Summer, Fall, Winter", a Collaboration with Ken Vandermark
- Visuals, "the Beckett Project" A collaboration with Dan Grzeca, Japp Blonk, Lotta and Ken Vandermark, The Chicago Cultural Center, Chicago IL
- 2001 Performance, "Shadow Music" a collaboration with Ken Vandermark, The Arts Club of Chicago, Chicago IL

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Mirror: Ardor, 2018, Oil on CNC-routed MDF, 17h x 15w x 6 1/2d in

Richard Hull received his MFA from the School of the Art Institute of Chicago in 1979 and soon thereafter joined the Phyllis Kind Gallery, the primary dealer of many of Chicago's legendary Imagist artists. At the time he was known for painting abstracted architectural interiors. His current work takes the loose-limbed figuration of that era to a more romantic and painterly place where repetitive marks reverberate around abstract heads and bulbous hairstyles. Hull considers these figures to be inner mirrors, containers in which repetitive thinking and behaviours are visualized. Repetition represents temporal rhythms and accumulating variations.

Curating conversation between colour and form, Hull's oil on wax on linen paintings and crayon on paper drawings are portraits and hairdos, each one expressing a distinct visual personality rather than a legible representation of a specific individual. He calls his over-capacitated, robust, mysterious heads *stolen portraits*. This quasi-figurative direction started with, of all things, drawing a horse's tail for an exquisite corpse in a performative collaboration with MacArthur award-winning saxophonist and composer Ken Vandermark and the illustrator and printmaker Dan Grzeca.

New painted sculptures take the form of double-sided vanity mirrors that point to Hull's interest in opposing forces within paintings. After encountering the new sculptural heads, writer John Yau noted in Hyperallergic the transformation and direction of Hull's recent work: "After mastering his vocabulary of looping, concentric forms, Hull is clearly pushing them in different ways, toward unexpected trajectories. [...] Even as Hull courts this figurative reading while making a nod to vanity mirrors, the blooms of petal-like forms painted on both sides push towards abstraction. We might read the petals as tongues and the painted vacuoles within them as eyes, or we might read them as wings."

Richard Hull has paintings, drawings and prints in the collections of several museums including the Art Institute of Chicago; Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago; Smithsonian Museum, Washington, D.C.; Nerman Museum of Contemporary Art, Kansas; Museum of Fine Arts, Houston and The Smart Museum, Chicago. He has exhibited his work at many of the above institutions as well as at the Nelson-Atkins Museum, Kansas City; the Aldrich Museum of Contemporary Art, Ridgefield, CT; Contemporary Art Center, Cincinnati, OH; Portland Art Museum, OR; the Cleveland Institute of Art, Cleveland, OH; Herron Gallery of Art, Indianapolis, IN; Cranbrook Academy of Art, Bloomfield Hills, MI; Mary and Leigh Block Museum of Art, Evanston IL; and the Painting Center, New York, NY. He joined the legendary Phyllis Kind Gallery before graduating from the School of the Art Institute in Chicago in 1979 and had numerous shows in both her New York City and Chicago locations. Richard Hull is represented by Western Exhibitions, Chicago.