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BIOGRAPHY

1963 Born in Shreveport, LA

1985 BFA, Otis Art Institute, Los Angeles, CA Lives and works in Los Angeles, CA

PUBLIC COMMISSIONS

2011 **Forest Frieze**, Site: Spruce Street School at *New York by Gehry*, Lower Manhattan, Commissioned by the NYC Department of Education and the NYC School Construction Authority Public Art for Public Schools Program, in collaboration with the NYC Department of Cultural Affairs Percent for Art Program.

ONE-PERSON EXHIBITIONS

2016 **Mark Dean Veca: The Mundane and the Sublime**, Duke Art Gallery, Azusa Pacific University, Azusa, CA (catalogue with essay by David Pagel)

2015 **Pony Show**, Site:Lab, Grand Rapids, MI

2014 **Everlast**, Western Project, Los Angeles, CA
Le Poppy Den, David B. Smith Gallery, Denver, CO

2013 **Mark Dean Veca: Twenty Years**, Western Project, Los Angeles, CA
Made for You and Me, Cristin Tierney Gallery, New York,
Divinity Degenerate, Harris Art Gallery, University of La Verne, La Verne, CA

2012 **Mark Dean Veca: Raging Opulence**, San Jose Museum of Art, San Jose, CA

2011 **Impulse**, The Lab Gallery, New York, NY

2010 **When the Shit Hits the Fan**, Western Project, Los Angeles, CA

2009 **As Cold As They Come**, Jonathan Le Vine Gallery, New York, NY
Revenge of Phantasmagoria, Instituto Cultural de Cabanas, Guadalajara, Mexico
Paintings, Wall Drawings, and Collaborations, The University Art Gallery at University of California, San Diego, San Diego, CA

2008 **Phantasmagoria**, Otis College of Art and Design, Los Angeles, CA (catalogue)
New Paintings, Milieu Gallery, Bern, Switzerland

2007 **Imbroglia**, Jonathan Le Vine Gallery, New York, NY

2006 **Florida**, Schmidt Center Gallery, Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, FL
(with Ellen Harvey)

2004 **Pulsation**, 255 Elizabeth Street, New York, NY (catalogue)

2003 **Pleasure Machine**, Mars Gallery, Tokyo, Japan
Royale, Jessica Murray Projects, Brooklyn, NY

2002 **New Drawings**, Daniel Silverstein Gallery, New York, NY (with Cotter Luppi)

2001 **Toile de Brooklyn**, g-module, Paris, France

ONE-PERSON EXHIBITIONS, continued

- 2000 **Magnificent Compulsion**, Mark Moore Gallery, Santa Monica, CA
Harum-Scarum, Gallery at Villa Montalvo, Saratoga, CA
- 1999 **Funky Jungle**, DiverseWorks Art Space, Houston, TX
New Paintings, Kravets/Wehby Gallery, New York, NY
- 1998 **El Gloominator**, State University of New York at Buffalo Art Gallery, Buffalo, NY (catalogue)
Gummi Grotto, Kravets/Wehby Gallery, New York, NY

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2016 **Happiness, Liberty, Life? American Art and Politics!**, Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts
Turn The Page: The First Ten Years of High Fructose,
Virginia Museum of Contemporary Art, Virginia Beach, VA (catalogue)
Vitality and Verve: In the Third Dimension, Long Beach Museum of Art, Long Beach, CA
Kiel Johnson and Mark Dean Veca: New Work, Jaus Gallery, Santa Monica, CA
The New Vanguard, The Lancaster Museum of Art and History, Lancaster, CA
Envisioning Election and Politics in 2016, Puffin Cultural Forum, Teaneck, NJ
Collaboration, Barrett Art Gallery, Santa Monica College, Santa Monica, CA
Nexus, The Brand Library and Arts Center, Glendale, CA
- 2015 **POW! WOW!: Exploring the New Contemporary Movement**,
Honolulu Museum of Art, Honolulu, HI
Invisible College, Fort Wayne Museum of Art, Fort Wayne, IN
Major Work, Chandran Gallery, San Francisco, CA
- 2014 **The Meaning of Life**, Geoffrey Young Gallery, Great Barrington, MA
Space//Squared, White Walls, San Francisco, CA
- 2013 **2013 California-Pacific Triennial**, Orange County Museum of Art, Newport Beach, CA
Curated by Dan Cameron (catalogue)
C.O.L.A Anniversary Exhibition, LAX Art Festival, LAX Terminal One, Los Angeles, CA
The Not Yet, Site:Lab, Grand Rapids, MI
Buddy System Invitational, Breeze Block Gallery, Portland, OR
- 2012 **Pop Culture: Selections from the Frederick R. Weisman Foundation**,
Frederick R. Weisman Museum of Art, Malibu, CA
Space//Form, Breeze Block Gallery, Portland, OR
Season Opener, Guerrero Gallery, San Francisco, CA
Visible, Harris Art Gallery, University of La Verne, La Verne, CA
Group Exhibition, David B. Smith Gallery, Denver, CO
Under the Influence: The Comics, Lehman College Art Gallery, Bronx, NY
Outlook: Collection Selim Varol, Me Collectors Room, Berlin, Germany
- 2011 **C.O.L.A. 2011 Individual Artist Fellowships Exhibition**,
Los Angeles Municipal Art Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
Dark Pop 3.0, Last Rites Gallery, New York, NY
- 2010 **Cherry Pie**, Western Project, , Los Angeles, CA
Five Year Anniversary Show, Jonathan Le Vine Gallery, New York, NY
Love Conquers All, Thinkspace Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
Hotwire 3, Scott Eder Gallery, New York, NY
Hello Bro, The Don Gallery, Milan, Italy
- 2009 **The First Six Years**, Western Project, Culver City, CA
Themes and Variations: On the Use of Repetition in 21st Century Art,
Cristin Tierney Fine Art Advisory Services, New York, NY

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS, continued

- 2008 **In the Land of Retinal Delights: The Juxtapoz Factor**, Laguna Art Museum, Laguna Beach, CA (catalogue)
Group Exhibition, Elms Lesters Painting Rooms, London, England
Hef, Jail Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
Inaugural Exhibition, Joshua Liner Gallery, New York, NY
Pattern Recognition, Adamson Gallery, Washington, DC
Deep Pop, Ad Hoc Gallery, Brooklyn, NY
Sideshow, Robert Berman Gallery, Santa Monica, CA
First Anniversary Group Exhibition, Limited Addiction Gallery, Denver, CO
- 2007 **Urban Gothic**, Cafe Gallery Projects, London, England (catalogue)
BMG Artists' Annual, BLK/MRKT Gallery, Los Angeles, CA (catalogue)
SITEings, Southeastern Center for Contemporary Art, Winston Salem, NC
Bibbidi Bobbidi Boo, Galerie Schuster, Berlin, Germany (catalogue)
Winter Faction, Lineage Gallery, Philadelphia, PA
Elevation, Limited Addiction Gallery, Denver, CO
Tenth Anniversary Exhibition, Colette, Paris, France
Inaugural Exhibition, Addict Galerie, Paris, France
Urban Gothic, Quartair Contemporary Art Initiatives, The Hague, The Netherlands
- 2006 **Otis: Nine Decades of Los Angeles Art**, L A Municipal Art Gallery, Los Angeles, CA (catalogue)
Bibbidi Bobbidi Boo, Kunstverein Bielefeld, Bielefeld, Germany travels to Kunstverein Mannheim, Mannheim, Germany and Cercle Munster, Munster, Luxembourg (catalogue)
- 2005 **Contemporary Erotic Drawing**, DiverseWorks, Houston, TX, traveled to the Aldrich Contemporary Art Museum, Ridgefield, CT (catalogue)
Identity Crisis, Lineage Gallery, Philadelphia, PA
Inked!, Shore Institute of Contemporary Art, Long Branch, NJ, curated by Koan Jeff Baysa
Pulp, Lonsdale Gallery, Toronto, Canada
Smack!, The Brewery Project, Los Angeles, CA
Last Exit to Brooklyn, Elms Lesters Painting Rooms, London, England
- 2004 **Open House: Working in Brooklyn**, Brooklyn Museum of Art, Brooklyn, NY (catalogue)
NextNext Visual Art, curated by Dan Cameron, Brooklyn Academy of Music, Brooklyn, NY
The Ludovico Treatment, curated by David Hunt, Muller de Chiara Gallery, Berlin, Germany
Finesse, Catharine Clark Gallery, San Francisco, CA

Impact: New Mural Projects, PPOW Gallery, New York, NY
Grotto II, Jessica Murray Projects, Brooklyn, NY
- 2003 **Pavilion**, Bloomberg Space, London, England (catalogue)
Labor Day, curated by David Hunt, RARE, New York, NY
Cartoon, Riva Gallery, New York, NY, curated by David Gibson & Charles Riva
Selections 2003, Muller De Chiara Gallery, Berlin, Germany
Metastasis, Bronx River Art Center, Bronx, NY
On and Off the Wall, Phillips, de Pury & Luxembourg, New York, NY, curated by William Stover
Blue-Mars 1993-2003, Mars Gallery, Tokyo, Japan
Drawings and Works on Paper: SF/NY/LA, San Luis Obispo Art Center, San Luis Obispo, CA
- 2002 **Proper Villains**, Untitled Space, New Haven, CT
Grotto, Jessica Murray Projects, Brooklyn, NY
Necessary Fictions, De Chiara Gallery, New York, NY
Déjà Vu, g-module, Paris, France

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- 2001 **Mural II**, Irvine Fine Arts Center, Irvine, CA (catalogue)
Cartoon and Art, Rudolph Projects, Houston, TX
Dreamscapes, Wignall Museum/Gallery, Rancho Cucamonga, CA (catalogue)
- 2000 **Greater New York**, PS 1 Contemporary Art Center, Queens, NY
Multiple Sensations, Yerba Buena Center for the Arts, San Francisco, CA
Good Business is the Best Art, The Bronx Museum of the Arts, Bronx, NY
Yard Sale, New York City Lab School, New York, NY
- 1999 **Monumental Drawings**, Exit Art: The First World, New York, NY
Pictorial Abstraction, Temple Gallery, Tyler School of Art, Temple University, Philadelphia, PA
Relay Drawings: Eye, Hand, Other, Bucknell University Art Gallery, Lewisburg, PA (catalogue)
Size Matters, Gale Gates Gallery, New York, NY
Tripindicular, Lemon Sky Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
A Room with a View, Sixth @ Prince Gallery, New York, NY
- 1998 **Pop Surrealism**, The Aldrich Museum of Contemporary Art, Ridgefield, CT (catalogue)
Relay: Drawn to Readymades, Hallwalls Contemporary Arts Center, Buffalo, NY, (catalogue)
Inner Child: Wanna Come Out and Play?, The Rotunda Gallery, Brooklyn, NY
Take This Job and Shove It!, HERE Gallery, New York, NY
Borrowing, Islip Art Museum, East Islip, NY
Mark Dean Veca: Grovel in the Hovel; Nicole Pillorge: Sculpture, PS 122 Gallery, New York, NY
Yikes!, Deven Golden Fine Art, New York, NY
New York Drawers, Pierogi 2000, Brooklyn, NY, traveled to The Gasworks, London, England and Corner House, Manchester, England
- 1997 **Current Undercurrent: Working in Brooklyn**, Brooklyn Museum of Art, Brooklyn, NY
XVII Annual Artist in the Marketplace Exhibition,
The Bronx Museum of the Arts, Bronx, NY (catalogue)
- 1996 **Wall Drawings '96**, The Drawing Center, New York, NY
Recent Work: Phillippe Pasqua, Mark Dean Veca, Mad River Post, New York, NY
The Codpiece Project, Griffin Linton Contemporary Exhibitions, Venice, CA
The Light is Heavy, Fox & Howell Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
- 1995 **Wacko**, The Work Space, New York, NY
Hodgepodge Lodge, The Art Store Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
Works for a Fun House, E. S. Van Dam, New York, NY
- 1994 **Splat Figures**, White Columns, New York, NY
WaterWorks, Edward Thorp Gallery, New York, NY
Animated, Art in General, New York, NY
Le Temps d'un Dessin, Galerie de L'Ecole des Beaux - Arts de Lorient, Lorient, France (catalogue)
The New Pop, Leo Tony Gallery, New York, NY
- 1993 **Cartoonal Knowledge**, Dooley LeCappellaine Gallery, New York, NY
- 1992 **House of LeCappellaine au Go-Go**, Dooley LeCappellaine Gallery, New York, NY
- 1991 **Exhibitions I**, Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Los Angeles, CA
- 1990 **Project Angelfood**, Ace Gallery, Los Angeles,
- 1989 **Carecen**, Fred Hoffman Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
- 1988 **Contemporary Icons**, Westwood Place, Los Angeles, CA

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- 1987 **Salon des Independants**, Richard Bennett Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
- 1986 **Loose Association**, The Art Store Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
- 1985 **A Farewell to the Bridal District**, Los Angeles Contemporary Exhibitions, Los Angeles, CA

AWARDS AND HONORS

- 2011 **C.O.L.A. 2011 Individual Artist Fellowship**, Los Angeles, CA, Fellowship, Painting
- 2008 **Otis College of Art and Design**, Los Angeles, CA, Jennifer Howard Coleman Distinguished Lectureship and Residency
New York Foundation for the Arts, New York, NY, Fellowship, Painting
- 2006 **Pollock- Krasner Foundation**, New York, NY, Grant
- 2003 **Lower East Side Printshop**, New York, NY, Special Editions Fellowship
- 2002 **New York Foundation for the Arts**, New York, NY, Fellowship, Painting
- 1998 **New York Foundation for the Arts**, New York, NY, Fellowship, Painting
The MacDowell Colony, Peterborough, NH, Artist Residency
- 1997 **The Bronx Museum of the Arts**, Bronx, NY, Artist in the Marketplace Program
Villa Montalvo, Saratoga, CA, Artist Residency

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"Mark Dean Veca: Raging Opulence." *Happenstand* (28 Sep. 2012).
<<http://www.happenstand.com/sanfrancisco/events/9184-raging-opulence>>
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