



ENGAGE Projects

CHRIS COSNOWSKI

Lives and Works in Chicago, IL

EDUCATION

- 2000 MFA Painting, Northwestern University, Evanston, IL
- 1992 BFA, Columbus College of Art and Design, Columbus, OH

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2018 Might and Main, Dolby Chadwick Gallery, San Francisco
- 2017 I Love Humanity This Much, Linda Warren Projects, Chicago
- 2016 Paintings, The Ohio State University, Lima
Paintings, University Club of Chicago
- 2014 Enlightened?, Linda Warren Projects, Chicago
Enlightened-NYC, Lyons Wier Gallery, NYC
- 2013 SUPER-ficial (catalogue), South Shore Arts Center, Munster IN
- 2012 American Metal, Lyons Wier Gallery NYC
- 2010 Apocalypse, Linda Warren Gallery, Chicago
- 2008 Fresh, Lyons Wier-Ortt, NYC
- 2006 Civic-minded, Gescheidle, Chicago
- 2005 Recent Paintings, Dolby-Chadwick Gallery, San Francisco
Recent Work, Lyons Wier Gallery, NYC
- 2004 Deflated, Gescheidle, Chicago,
- 2003 New Paintings, Gescheidle, Chicago
New Paintings, Dolby-Chadwick Gallery, San Francisco
- 2002 Dreams, Lyons Wier Gallery, NYC
- 2001 Colorforms, Gescheidle, Chicago
Cast, Northern Indiana Arts Association, Hammond, IN

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2022 Arts & Conversations, Palm Beach, FL
- 2021 Atomic Number 13, Vertical Gallery, Chicago
It's a Small Show After All, Hofheimer Gallery, Chicago
As Clean As We've Been, Cleaner Gallery, Chicago, curated by Nina Rizzo
Evanston+Vicinity Biennial, Evanston Art Center, Evanston, IL
- 2020 Toys, Blue Spiral 1 Gallery, Asheville, NC
- 2019 Work at Play, ZG Gallery, Chicago
6-Year Anniversary Show, Vertical Gallery, Chicago
- 2018 Warhol: Icon and Influence, Lubeznik Center, Michigan City, IN
- 2017 Toy Box, Illinois State Art Museum, Lockport, IL, curated by John Lustig
It's Not Funny, Rochester Contemporary Art Center, Rochester NY (April)
Luminance, Lyons Wier Gallery, NYC
Can't Lose, Metropolitan Capital, Chicago
GAME ON!, Manifest Gallery, Cincinnati, OH
- 2016 Summer Session, Lyons Wier Gallery, NYC
Chicago Paints, Ohio University, Athens, OH
- 2015 Hybrid's Paradise, Evanston Art Center, Evanston, IL, curated by Sergio Gomez
- 2015 Roots, Linda Warren Projects, Chicago
The Mayfair Exhibition, Lyons Wier Gallery, NYC
- 2014 National Contemporary Painting Exhibition, Weatherhead Gallery University of St. Francis, Fort Wayne, IN
Art Miami, Lyons Wier Gallery
Summer Session, Lyons Wier Gallery, NYC
MIA in MIA, Lyons Wier Gallery, NYC

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- 2013 Art Miami, Lyons Wier Gallery
2012 Dallas Art Fair, Lyons Wier Gallery
Art Pad SF, Lyons Wier Gallery
2011 Here and Now, Lyons Wier Gallery, NYC
2010 Angels, KunzVisGonzales, Chicago, IL
Midnight Snacks: Chicago, 1366 Space, Chicago, curated by Brian Hubble, Amie Cunat, Travis Wyche
2009 Pulse Miami, Lyons Wier Gallery
Endless Summer, Lyons Wier Gallery, NYC
Another Damn Good Painting Show, Lyons Wier Gallery, NYC
Upscale/Downsized, Bowling Green University, Bowling Green OH
The Art Of Play, Dolby Chadwick Gallery, San Francisco
Playing Around, Brattleboro Museum, Brattleboro, VT
ArtChicago, Linda Warren Gallery
Pulse New York, Lyons Wier-Ortt
2008 ArtChicago, Linda Warren Gallery
2007 Ground Breaking: New Space, New Perspective, Lyons Wier-Ortt, NYC
Unseriously/Serious, Linda Warren Gallery, Chicago
ArtChicago, Linda Warren Gallery
Representation 2007, Jenkins Johnson Gallery, NYC
2006 10 Years – A Retrospective, Dolby-Chadwick Gallery, San Francisco
2005 Domestic Disturbance, Evanston Art Center, Evanston, IL
Sinister, Tarble Art Center, Eastern Illinois University, Charleston, IL
2004 The Reflected/Refracted Self, Carl Hammer Gallery, Chicago
The Artist as Collector, Northern Indiana Arts Association, Munster, IN (catalogue)
American Realism, Plus One Plus Two Galleries, London
Meat Market, Lyons Wier Gallery, NYC
Fantastical Memories, NURTUREart Gallery, Brooklyn, NY, curated by Bridget Parris
2003 Group Show, Dolby-Chadwick Gallery, San Francisco
2002 Here and Now, Cultural Center, Chicago (catalogue)
Harboring Beauty, Gescheidle Gallery, Chicago
Art Chicago, Gescheidle Gallery
San Francisco International Art Exposition, Gescheidle Gallery
2001 Snowglobe Invitational, Gescheidle, Chicago
Pin-up, Lyonswier Gallery, NYC
Welcome to My Dollhouse, Zolla-Lieberman Gallery, Chicago
Subject Matters, Standard Gallery, Chicago (catalogue)
Artists/Alumni, Block Museum, Northwestern University, Evanston, IL (catalogue)
Narrative Sampler, Lyonswier Gallery, Chicago
2000 Les Chemical Carnales, Hyde Park Art Center, Chicago
Shake the Coat, North Park University, Chicago
Union League Civic and Arts Foundation Scholarship Exhibition, Chicago
1999 Union League Civic and Arts Foundation Scholarship Exhibition, Chicago
Votive Offerings, Hyde Park Art Center, Chicago

JURIED EXHIBITIONS

- 2015 Art By America, jurors: James Yood, Ginny Voedisch, The Art House, Chicago
2004 Exhibition of American Art, juror: James Rondeau, Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago
2003 Young Painters Competition, juror: Buzz Spector, Miami University, Oxford, OH
60th Annual Salon Show, juror: Michael Rooks Northern Indiana Arts Association, Munster, IN
2001 15th Annual Juried Exhibition, Juror: Dana Miller, Nexus Gallery, NYC
Narration: Emblem and Sequence in Contemporary Art, Juror: Robert Taplin, Creative Arts Workshop, New Haven, CT

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PUBLIC ART

2020 Chicago Transit Authority, Installation Montrose Blue Line Station, Windy City Odyssey, Ten Glass Panels

AWARDS

2016 Finalist-Manifest Prize, Manifest Gallery, Cincinnati, OH
2015 Juror's Award \$1,000, The Art House, Chicago
2003 Juror's Award \$500, Northern Indiana Art Association
2001 Finalist award \$700, Illinois Art Council
2000 Scholarship \$4,000, Union League Civic and Arts Foundation, Chicago
Scholarship \$1,000, The Eugene Myers Graphics Artist's Program
1999 Scholarship \$5,000, Union League Civic and Arts Foundation, Chicago
1998-2000 Teaching Assistantship, Northwestern University, Evanston, IL
1988 Scholarship \$4,000, Columbus College of Art and Design, Columbus, OH

REVIEWS

2017 Top V. Weekend Picks (6/22-6/28), Bad at Sports.
RoCo's Exhibit Approaches Serious Subjects With Merry Media, Rebecca Rafferty,
RochesterCityNewspaper.com
2015 Seeing the Art for the Trees, Philip A. Hartigan, Hyperallergic
2014 Portrait of the Artist: Chris Cosnowski, Maria Girgenti, NewCity.com
Jason Foumberg, Chicagomag.com, "21 Art Gallery Exhibits to See in Chicago"
New American Paintings.com. "Must See Painting Shows: March"
2012 Oscar A. Laluyan, Arte Fuse, "The Luster of Metal and a Little Monster"
Arts Observer, "American Metal": Chris Cosnowski's Trophies Symbolize More Than Athletic Victory"
Soalife.com, "Momento: Chris Cosnowski's American Metals"
New American Paintings.com. "Must See Painting Shows: March"
2011 Philip McCluskey, Scallywag and Vagabond "Here and Now at the Lyons Wier Gallery"
2010 Phil Morehart, Chicago Journal, "Smiling Through the Madness"
2008 Lifting Faces.com
2006 Flavorpill CHI, online review, "Civic-minded"
2005 Myrna Petlicki, Diversions, "A Male View of 'Domestic' Life"
2004 Fred Camper, Chicago Tribune, "Look into the mirror, and what do you see?"
2003 Margaret Hawkins, Chicago Sun Times, Gallery Glance
2002 Mario Naves, New York Observer, "Stand up painter"
New York Sun, "Toy Story"
Alan Artner, Chicago Tribune, Here and Now
2001 Margaret Hawkins, Chicago Sun Times, "Boys and Their Toys"
John Brunetti, New Art Examiner, Welcome to My Dollhouse
Margaret Hawkins, Chicago Sun Times, Welcome to My Dollhouse
2000 Cara Glatt, Hyde Park Herald, "Chemical brothers: an arresting exhibit"
1999 Cara Glatt, Hyde Park Herald, "Art as devotion and sacrament"

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2015 International Painting Annual 4, Manifest Gallery
2013 New American Paintings#107, Midwest Edition (cover image)
2011 Malorie R. Medellin, ChicagoLawyerMag.com, "Using Office Art to Convey A Firm's Culture"
2008 Big Mind, Dennis Genpo Merzel, Tricycle
2006 The Edge of Realism, American Art Collector, December 2006
Christine Newman, Open House, Chicago Magazine, August 2006

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- 2004 A Spotlight on Living Artists, Crow Woods Publishing
- 2002 New American Paintings #35, Midwest Edition (cover image)

LECTURES

- 2021 Metropolitan State University of Denver, Denver, CO
- 2018 University of North Texas, Denton, TX
- 2017 Artist's talk moderated by James Yood, Linda Warren Projects, Chicago, IL
SEA Conference, Lisle, IL
- 2016 South Suburban College, South Holland, IL
- 2014 Artist's talk, Linda Warren Projects, Chicago, IL
Queens Library, Jamaica, NY
- 2013 Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, IL
- 2010 McHenry County College, Crystal Lake, IL
- 2005 Eastern Illinois University, Charleston, IL
- 2002 Bennington University, Bennington, VT

COMMISSIONS

- 2019 Kirkland & Ellis, Washington DC
- 2017 Kirkland & Ellis, Houston, TX
- 2009 Kirkland & Ellis, Chicago, IL

COLLECTIONS

- Beth DeWoody, NYC
- John Cain, Crown Point, IN
- Northwestern University, Evanston, IL
- Kirkland & Ellis, Chicago, Houston, San Francisco, Washington DC