### Mark Jenkins

Mark Jenkins is an American artist whose work includes sculpture, social experimentation, installation and performance-based mediums. Considering the "street as a stage" his sculptures interact with the surrounding environment including passersbys who unknowingly become actors within his provocative urban installations.

"It has been both an artistic as well as a social experiment to transform the city into a stage by using the sculptures as make-believe individuals. Subverting the city's social fabric in this way has revealed a great deal to me about the social psychology of urban environments as well as their governance." – Mark Jenkins



Jenkins incorporates real-life contemporary settings with social interaction, creating hyper-realistic sculptures, dressed in urban attire. The lifeless objects and inert materials are imbued with a human familiarity when set within real, lived environments. Jenkins creates his own space, imbuing a narrative where the artificial and the real merge together to become points of interaction where viewers are encouraged to reconnect with their surroundings. For Jenkins it is not only the emanation of the human figure that is integral to his oeuvre, but also the reaction of people who wander past or have stepped into his constructed spaces. Whether they are shocked, amazed, confused, or scared, Jenkins's purposeful placement of these figures acts as a disruptor, seemingly altering the banal routines embedded in our contemporary lives.

Mark Jenkins was born in 1970 in Fairfax, United States, he currently lives and works in Washington DC. His works have been presented both in the United States and internationally in places such as Brazil, France, Spain, Italy, Ireland, Sweden, Russia, South Korea, Serbia, and Japan. His works have also been exhibited in institutions such as the Kunsthalle Wien, Austria, the Perm Museum of Contemporary Art, Russia, the Centre Pompidou, France, and the Beirut Art Centre, Lebanon.

#### Mark Jenkins CV

b. October 1970 - Fairfax, United States Lives and works in Washington D.C , United States

#### **Selected Solo Exhibitions**

2024 TBA, Danysz Gallery, Paris, France
2024 Perceptual Drift, Hashimoto Contemporary, New York, USA
2023 Fight of Flight, Artstubli, Basel, Switzerland
2022 Outsiders, Danysz Gallery, Paris, France
2022 Fight or Flight, Zone Contemporaine, Bern, Switzerland
2022 The Harder They Come, Fabien Castanier Gallery, Los Angeles, USA
2021 The Games That we Play..., Ruttkowski;68, Dusseldorf, Germany
2019 From Here to Nowhere, Fabien Castanier Gallery, Los Angeles, USA
2018 BRD SHT, Danysz Gallery, Paris, France
2018 BRD SHT, LAZinc ,Mayfair, London, UK
2017 Arsenal Contemporary Art, Toronto, Toronto, Ontario, Canada
2015 Still Life, Fabien Castanier Gallery, Los Angeles, Culver City, California, USA
2013 Mark Jenkins: The Sudio, Galerie Patricia Dorfmann ,4e, Paris, France

#### **Selected Group Exhibitions**

2024 Here & Now, JD Malat Gallery, London, UK
2024 Art Basel, Artstübli, Basel, Switzerland
2024 Urban Interventions, Museum of Contemporary Art, Tokyo, Japan
2022 Sunkissed, Fabien Castanier Gallery, Miami, Florida, USA
2021 Ciao Maschio, Galleria Comunale d`Arte Moderna Roma, Rome, Italy
2020 Mixed Pickles 8. Wilhelm Hallen Berlin, Ruttkowski;68, Berlin, Germany

2019 Watch This Space, LAZinc, Mayfair, London, UK 2019 Summer Reflection, Fabien Castanier Gallery, Wynwood, Wynwood, Miami, Florida, USA 2018 Can't Touch This!!!, Galería 3 Punts , Barcelona, Spain 2018 Time is Now, Fabien Castanier Gallery, Little Haiti, Miami, Florida, USA 2018 Guest Gallery: Galerie Droste, Galerie L.J., Paris, France 2017 Mark Jenkins & Rero: Rules of Engagement, Wunderkammern Gallery, Milan, Italy 2017 Rubber Time, Fabien Castanier Gallery, Wynwood, Miami, Florida, USA 2016 Vitality & Verve: In the Third Dimension, Long Beach Museum of Art, Long Beach, California, USA 2016 Tutors' Show, Newlyn Art Gallery, Newlyn, UK 2016 Still Here: A Decade Of Lazarides, LAZinc ,Mayfair, London, UK 2015 Dando Papaya, Fabien Castanier Gallery, Los Angeles, Culver City, California, USA 2017 Rubber Time, Fabien Castanier Gallery, Los Angeles, USA 2015 Still Life, Fabien Castanier Gallery, Los Angeles, USA 2014 In Situ, Fabien Castanier Gallery, Los Angeles, USA 2013 The Stidio, Galerie Patricia Dorfmann, Paris, France 2010 Meaning is Overrated, Carmichael Gallery, Los Angeles CA, USA 2010 Miami International Art Fair, Carmichael Gallery, Miami FL, USA 2009 Tunnel 228, London, England 2009 The Golden Ass and Other Stories, Stricola Contemporary New York City NY, USA 2009 Manifest Hope, Washington DC, USA 2009 Grifters, Lazarides Gallery London, UK 2009 SCOPE Miami, Carmichael Gallery Miami FL, USA 2009 Third Moscow Biennale, Moscow, Russia 2009 Inside Out, Southeastern Center for Contemporary Art Winston-Salem NC, USA 2009 Picnic In the City, Sangsangmadang Gallery- Seoul, Korea 2009 BELEF Festival Belgrade, Serbia

2009 Fame Festival, Studiocromie Grottaglie, Italy 2009 How Do You Are Beach, Les Grand Traversees Royan, France 2009 Purple Splendor, Ve.sch Vienna, Austria 2009 JENKINS, CCC Shizouka, Japan 2008 How Do You Are, Les Grand Traversees Bordeaux, France 2008 Gen Art Vanguard Art Fair, Carmichael Gallery Miami FL, USA 2008 Recordings, Taubman Museum Roanoke VA, USA 2008 VII Simposio Puerto del Rosario Fuerteventura, Canary Islands 2008 Outsiders, Lazarides Gallery New York City NY, USA 2008 Freeshout, Cantieri Cultural Prato, Italy 2008 Droog Event 2: Urban Play, Onder de Brug Amsterdam, Holland 2008 Apocalyptic Colors, Galerie Gabriele Senn Vienna, Austria 2008 Outsiders, Lazarides Gallery London, England 2008 Interferencia, Barcelona, Spain 2008 Call it what you like, Kunstcentret Silkeborg Bad Denmark 2008 Glazed Paradise, Diesel Gallery Tokyo, Japan 2008 Under the Rainbow, Inbetween Gallery Malmö, Sweden 2008 Fresh Air Smells Funny, Kunsthalle Dominikanerkirche Osnabrück, Germany 2007 Behind the Seen, Ad Hoc Gallery Brooklyn NY, USA 2007 Santa's Ghetto -- Bethlehem, West Bank, Palestine 2007 Polar Christ, STEP Warsaw, Poland 2007 A Conquista do Espaço, SESC, São Paulo, Brazil 2007 Reciclarte, Lisbon, Portugal 2007 Outcasts, Lazarides Gallery London, England 2007 Open City, Eyebeam Center New York City NY, USA 2007 BMGAA, BLK/MRKT Gallery Los Angeles CA, USA 2006 Santa's Ghetto, London, England 2006 Centre Beeldende Kunst Rotterdam, Holland 2006 Emergency Gallery, New York City NY, USA

#### **Selected Artworks**



Mark Jenkins *Hot Dog Lipstick* 2021 Mixed media 74 x 33 1/8 x 20 7/8 in 188 x 84 x 53 cm



Mark Jenkins *The Fighter* 2017 Mixed media 68 7/8 x 30 3/4 x 31 1/2 in 175 x 78 x 80 cm