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Billy Al Bengston

Billy Al Bengston is an American contemporary artist and sculptor based between Venice, California and Honolulu, Hawaii. Born in 1934 in Dodge City, Kansas, Bengston was one of the key figures in the Ferus Gallery circle in Los Angeles. His artistic practice is most associated with West Coast Pop and is best known for spray painting dented sheets of square aluminium with lacquer.

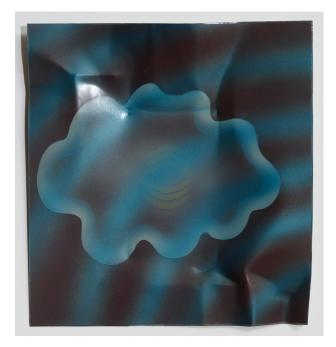
Often featuring car and motorcycle motifs, such as the chevron symbol placed at the centre of his works, Bengston's highly finished pieces are recognized for his use of psychedelic colours and mandala-like forms. Amongst other recurring motifs in his practice are the artist's signature sergeant's stripes, which he adopted after seeing the work of Jasper Jones at the 1958 Venice Biennale- and abstracted images of hearts.

In 1955 he went to California College of Arts in Oakland, followed by studies at Otis Art Institute in LA. Since 1957, Bengston began showing with the legendary Ferus Gallery in Los Angeles, where we became part of "Cool School" - together with artists such as Ed Moses, Ed Ruscha, Robert Irwin, Larry Bell, Edward Kienholz, John Altoon and Ken Price. During that time, in the early 1960s, Bengston developed his artistic image that encouraged the viewers to associate his art with the motorcycle subculture. For instance, he spread a bike on the cover of the catalogue for a 1961 show at Ferus Gallery. Later, in the 1970s, silhouettes of iris flowers occur in Bengston's paintings, which he often surrounds with overlapping circles.

Bengston's work is included in a number of permanent collections, such as the Centre Georges Pompidou, Paris, the Corcoran Gallery of Art, Washington, D.C., the Honolulu Museum of Art, the Art Institute of Chicago, the Los Angeles County Museum of Art, the Museum of Contemporary Art, Los Angeles, the Philadelphia Museum of Art, the Museum of Modern Art, New York, the Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum, New York, the Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, and the San Francisco Museum of Modern Art.



Selected Artworks



Billy Al Bengston *JWS Series,* 1968 Lacquer and polyester resin on aluminum 12 1/8 x 11 1/4 in 30.5 x 28.6 cm



Billy Al Bengston *JW Series 1 of 6,* 1967 Lacquer and polyester

Lacquer and polyester resin on aluminum 12 1/8 x 11 1/4 in 30.5 x 28.6 cm



Billy Al Bengston CV

b. 1934 - Dodge City, Kansas, USA.

EDUCATION

1956 Otis Art Institute, Los Angeles, CA

1955 California College of Arts & Crafts, Oakland, CA

1952 Los Angeles City College, Los Angeles, CA

SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2018 Billy Al Bengston, Frieze New York, New York, NY 2017 It is the Moon Doggie, Various Small Fires, Los Angeles, CA 2017 Pau Hana: Works from Hawaii, Texas Gallery, Houston, TX 2016 My B.S.A. 350CC Gold Star & Blues for Aub (get it?), Venus Over Manhattan, New York, NY 2016 Billy Al, Samuel Freeman Gallery, Los Angeles, CA 2016 Hello Aloha, Franklin Parrasch Gallery, New York, NY 2016 Warm California, Andrew Kreps Gallery, New York, NY 2016 Bengston: Paintings from the 1980s, Neuendorf Projects, Berlin, Germany 2014 TRANSCENDENTAL BENGSTON-TATION, Franklin Parrasch Gallery, New York, NY 2013 Craig Turned on the Light and California Art Bloomed: A Tribute to Craig Kauffman, Honolulu Museum of Art, Honolulu, HI 2012 It Hit the Fan, David Richard Gallery, Santa Fe, NM 2011 Billy Al by Wendy Al, Michael's Restaurant, Santa Monica, CA 2011 "Real Lite & Space" and "Your New Home" and "Ed Ruscha", Subliminal Projects, Los Angeles, CA 2011 100% Draculas, Katherine Cone Gallery, Los Angeles, CA 2010 Billy, Samuel Freeman Gallery, Santa Monica, CA 2007 Billy. Painting, etc., Patricia Faure Gallery, Santa Monica, CA 2005 Billy Al Bengston, the '60s, Franklin Parrasch Gallery, New York, NY 2004 Billy Al Bengston (Farewell Show), Cartelle Gallery, Marina del Rey, CA 2001 Dentos & Draculas: 1968-1973, Renato Danese Gallery, New York, NY **2000** The Good, The Bad and Nothing Heartless, Rosamund Felsen Gallery, Santa Monica, CA 1999 Testing the Waters, Ochi Fine Art, Ketchum, ID **1997** Billy Al Bengston: San Felipe to Puerto Escondido, Laguna Art Museum, Laguna Beach, CA 1995 Billy Al Bengston: Works from HI, Westfall Interior Systems, Foundation Valley, CA **1993** *Billy Al Bengston*, Galerie Neuendorf Frankfurt/Main, Germany (catalogue) JD Malat Gallery

1992 *Billy Al Bengston*, Valerie Miller Fine Art Palm Desert, CA

1991 *Billy Al Bengston,* The Works Gallery, Crystal Court South Coast Plaza, Costa Mesa, CA

1991 *It is not May Day and it is not a Holiday Sale,* James Corcoran Gallery, Santa Monica, CA

1990 *Billy Al Bengston, Paintings for the '90's,* James Corcoran Gallery, Santa Monica, CA (catalogue)

1989 Cirrus Gallery, Los Angeles, CA

1989 Kaleidoscope Gallery, Palo Alto, CA

1989 *Inaugural Exhibition featuring the work of Billy Al Bengston,* The Works Gallery, South Costa Mesa, CA

1988 Billy Al Bengston, Paintings of Three Decades, Contemporary Arts Museum,

Houston, TX; The Oakland Museum, Oakland, CA (catalogue)

1988 Billy: 30 Years of Work I Couldn't Sell, Thomas Babeor Gallery, La Jolla, CA

1988 30 Years of Work I Couldn't Sell..., James Corcoran Gallery, Santa Monica, CA

1987 James Corcoran Gallery, Santa Monica, CA

1987 Thomas Babeor Gallery, La Jolla, CA

1986 James Corcoran Gallery, Los Angeles, CA

1986 Thomas Babeor Gallery, La Jolla, CA

1986 Smith Andersen Gallery, Palo Alto, CA

1985 James Corcoran Gallery, Los Angeles, CA

1985 *Billy Al Bengston: Hui Nui Limited Edition Rug,* Angles Gallery, with James Metz Productions, Los Angeles, CA

1985 Billy Al Bengston: 5th Annual Exhibition, Thomas Babeor Gallery, La Jolla, CA

1985 New Paintings and Watercolors, Texas Gallery, Houston, TX

1984 Smith Andersen Gallery, Palo Alto, CA

1984 Douglas Drake Gallery, Kansas City, KS

1984 *Billy Al Bengston: Acrylic and Watercolor Paintings,* James Corcoran Gallery, Los Angeles, CA

1984 Thomas Babeor Gallery, La Jolla, CA

1984 *Billy Al Bengston: Watercolor Collages,* Texas Gallery, Houston, TX

1983 Billy Al Bengston, Acquavella Contemporary Art, Inc., New York, NY

1983 *Billy Al Bengston: Paintings, Watercolors, Furniture, Prints,* Thomas Babeor Gallery, La Jolla, CA

1983 Billy Al Bengston: Recent Work, John Berggruen Gallery, San Francisco, CA

1983 Billy Al Bengston: New Paintings, James Corcoran Gallery, Los Angeles, CA

1982 James Corcoran Gallery, Los Angeles, CA

1982 Thomas Babeor Gallery, La Jolla, CA

1982 Billy Al Bengston: Honolulu Watercolors, Linda Farris Gallery, Seattle, WA

1981 Billy Al Bengston, Watercolors 1974-1980, The Corcoran Gallery of Art,

Washington, D.C. (catalogue)

1981 Acquavella Contemporary Art, New York, NY

1981 *A Decade of Billy Al Bengston: The Seventies,* San Diego State University, San Diego, CA (catalogue)

1981 Thomas Babeor Gallery, La Jolla, CA

1981 James Corcoran Gallery, Los Angeles, CA Hawaiian Watercolors, Texas Gallery, Houston, TX 1980 James Corcoran Gallery, Los Angeles, CA 1980 Malibu Art & Design, Malibu, CA **1980** Billy Al Bengston Watercolors, Honolulu Academy of Arts, Honolulu, HI 1979 Billy Al Bengston: 20 Years on Paper, Conejo Valley Art Museum, Thousand Oaks, CA 1979 Acquavella Contemporary Art Gallery, New York, NY 1979 Cantor / Lemberg Gallery, Birmingham, MI **1979** New Paintings and Watercolors, Texas Gallery, Houston, TX 1979 Billy Al Bengston: Paintings, Thomas Segal Gallery, Boston, MA 1978 James Corcoran Gallery, Los Angeles, CA 1978 Billy Al Bengston: Paintings of the Seventies, Security Pacific Bank Building, Los Angeles, CA (catalogue) 1978 Works by Billy Al Bengston, Sarah Campbell Blaffer Gallery, University of Houston, TX **1978** Watercolor and Paintings, Texas Gallery, Houston, TX 1978 Mizuno Ceramics Gallery, Los Angeles, CA 1978 John Berggruen Gallery, San Francisco, CA 1977 University of Montana, Missoula, MT 1977 James Corcoran Gallery, Los Angeles, CA (catalogue) 1977 Screens and Mulit-Part Paintings, Texas Gallery, Houston, TX **1976** New Paintings and Watercolors, Texas Gallery, Houston, TX 1976 Dobrick Gallery, Chicago, IL 1976 Portland Center for the Visual Arts, Portland, OR **1975** Pyramid Gallery, Washington, D.C. 1975 Seder / Creigh Gallery, Coronado, CA 1975 Tortue Gallery, Santa Monica, CA 1975 Dootson-Calderhead Gallery, Seattle, WA 1974 John Berggruen Gallery, San Francisco, CA 1974 Jared Sable Gallery, Toronto, Ontario, Canada **1974** New Paintings and Watercolors, Texas Gallery, Houston, TX 1974 Nicholas Wilder Gallery, Los Angeles, CA 1973 Corcoran & Corcoran Gallery, Miami, FL **1973** All New Paintings by Billy Al Bengston, Nicholas Wilder Gallery, Los Angeles, CA **1973** Recent Watercolors of Billy Al Bengston, Nicholas Wilder Gallery, Los Angeles, CA 1973 Pollock Gallery, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, TX 1973 Contemporary Arts Museum, Houston, TX 1973 Texas Gallery, Houston, TX

- 1972 Galerie Neuendorf, Hamburg, Germany
- 1972 Felicity Samuel Gallery, London, England
- 1971 Prints and Aluminum Drawings, Texas Gallery, Houston, TX
- 1971 Margo Leavin Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
- 1971 La Jolla Museum of Art, La Jolla, CA

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1971 Contract Graphics Associates, Houston, TX

1970 Galerie Neuendorf, Hamburg, Germany

1970 Galerie Neuendorf, Cologne, Germany

1970 Santa Barbara Museum of Art, Santa Barbara, CA

1970 Mizuno Gallery, Los Angeles, CA

1970 Galerie Neuendorf, Hamburg, Germany

1969 The Corcoran Gallery of Art (Dupont Center), Washington, D.C.

1969 *The Vancouver Art Gallery*, Vancouver, Canada

1969 Motel Dracula, Pasadena Art Museum, Pasadena, CA

1969 Utah Museum of Fine Arts, Salt Lake City, UT

1968 *Billy Al Bengston,* Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Los Angeles, CA (catalogue)

1968 Motel Dracula, San Francisco Museum of Art, San Francisco, CA

1963 Ferus Gallery, Los Angeles, CA

1962 Martha Jackson Gallery, New York, NY

1962 Ferus Gallery, Los Angeles, CA

1961 Ferus Gallery, Los Angeles, CA

1960 Ferus Gallery, Los Angeles, CA

1958 Ferus Gallery, Los Angeles, CA

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2022 Ferus, A Visual Conversation, JD Malat Gallery, London, UK

2021 Multiples, Inc.: 1965-1992, Marian Goodman Gallery, New York, NY

2020 Gwynn & Billy, Various Small Fires, Los Angeles, CA

2019 With Pleasure: Pattern and Decoration in American Art 1972–1985, Museum of

Contemporay Art, Los Angeles, CA

2019 Flora, Texas Gallery, Houston, TX

2019 Billy Al Bengston & Ed Ruscha: Reunited, Various Small Fires, Seoul, South Korea

2018 West by Midwest, Museum of Contemporary Art Chicago, Chicago, IL

2018 *Landskipping*, Texas Gallery, Houston, TX

2017 Some Paintings, Texas Gallery, Houston, TX

2017 Sea Sick in Paradise (curated by Amy Yao), Depart Foundation, Malibu, CA

2017 California Dreaming: Ed Moses, Billy Al Bengston, & Ed Ruscha, New Britain

Museum of American Art, New Britain, CT

2016 Human Interest: Portraits from the Whitney's Collection, New York, NY

2016 TOUCH, El Segundo Museum of Art, El Segundo, CA

2016 *Still Life with Fish: Photography from the Collection,* Hammer Museum, Los Angeles, CA

2016 *Made in California: Selections from the Frederick R. Weisman Art Foundation,* Mana Contemporary, Jersey City, NJ

2016 *Still(ed) Life: Part 1,* Texas Gallery, Houston, TX

2015 LA/MA, Rose Art Museum, Brandeis University, Waltham, MA

2015 *The Ceramic Presence in Modern Art,* Yale University Art Gallery, New Haven, CT

2015 *The Cool School in Barcelona,* Andrew Weiss Gallery, Santa Monica, CA

2015 *Drawing in L.A.: The 1960s and 1970s,* Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Los Angeles, CA

2015 *Honoring the Past, Embracing the Future: AMOCA's 10th Anniversary,* American Museum of Ceramic Art, Pomona, CA

2015 California Printmakers, 1950–2000, Laguna Art Museum, Laguna Beach, CA

2015 In Barcelona: A Portfolio of Prints from Los Angeles Artists, Laguna Art Museum, Laguna Beach, CA

2014 *Surface to Air: Los Angeles Artists of the '60's,* Kayne Griffin Corcoran Gallery, Los Angeles, CA

2014 Selections from the Permanent Collection, Museum of Contemporary Art, Los Angeles, CA

2014 *The Avant-Garde Collection*, Orange County Museum of Art, Newport Beach, CA

2014 *Some Collages*, Texas Gallery, Houston, TX

2013 Local Fish, Ernie Wolfe Gallery, Los Angeles, CA

2013 *Everything Loose Will Land*, MAK Center for Art and Architecture at the Schindler House, West Hollywood, CA

2013 9 From LA, Wright Exhibition Space, Seattle, WA

2012 EST-3: Southern California in New York: Los Angeles Art from the Beth Rudin

DeWoody Collection, Parrish Art Museum, Southampton, NY

2012 *Pairings: The Collection at 50,* Orange County Museum of Art, Newport Beach, CA

2012 Sinister Pop, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, NY

2012 Serious Fun: Thurston Twigg-Smith + Contemporary Art, Honolulu Museum of Art, Honolulu, HI

2011 *Venice in Venice, Glow & Reflection: Venice, California Art from 1960,* Nyehaus at Palazzo Contarini degli Scrigni, Venice, Italy

2011 *Southern California Painting:* 1970s *Painting Per Se*, David Richard Contemporary, Santa Fe, NM

2011 *California Art: Selections from the Frederick R. Weisman Art Foundation,* Frederick R. Weisman Museum of Art, Malibu, CA

2011 *Pacific Standard Time: Crosscurrents in L.A., Paintings and Sculpture* 1950-1970, J. Paul

2011 Getty Museum, Los Angeles CA; Martin Gropius-Bau, Berlin, Germany

2011 *The Rise of Printmaking in Southern California,* Norton Simon Museum of Art, Pasadena, CA

2011 *Under the Big Black Sun: California Art* 1974-1981, Museum of Contemporary Art, Los Angeles, CA

2011 Artistic Evolution: Southern California Artists at the Natural History Museum of Los Angeles County, 1945-1963, Natural History Museum of Los Angeles County, CA **2011** Common Ground: Ceramics in Southern California 1945-1975, American Museum of Ceramic Art, Pomona, CA

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2011 Civic Virtue: The Impact of the Los Angeles Municipal Art Gallery and the Watts Towers Arts Center, Los Angeles Municipal Art Gallery, CA 2010 Ferus in Paris, Nyehaus at FIAC, Paris, France 2007 SoCal: Southern California Art of the 1960s and 70s from LACMA's Collection, Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Los Angeles, CA (through March 30, 2008) 2007 The Left Coast, Imago Galleries, Palm Desert, CA **2007** Los Angeles: 1955-1985, Centre Pompidou, Paris, France (catalogue) 2005 Pink, Patricia Faure Gallery, Santa Monica, CA 2004 From Rosanjin to Voulkos, Franklin Parrasch Gallery, NY **2004** STANDING ROOM ONLY: The Scripps 60th Ceramic Annual, Ruth Chandler Williamson Gallery at Scripps College, Claremont, CA 2004 Western Project, Culver City, CA **2004** L.A.'s Finish Fetish, Franklin Parrasch Gallery, New York, NY Masters of Venice, half a dozen rose, Venice, CA 2004 Deuce, Cartelle Gallery, Marina del Rey, CA 2003 REBELS IN CLAY: Peter Voulkos and the Otis Group, University Art Gallery, University of California San Diego, La Jolla, CA **2003** *A Happening Place*, The Gershman Y, Philadelphia, PA (catalogue) **2003** *Size Matters*, Texas Gallery, Houston, TX 2003 Made in California, Todd Madigan Gallery, California State University, Bakersfield, CA 2003 Minimal L.A., Franklin Parrasch Gallery, New York, NY **2002** *California Art from the Frederick R. Weisman Art Foundation*, Frederick R. Weisman Museum of Art, Malibu, CA 2002 Ferus, Gagosian Gallery, New York, NY **2001** *POP k POST-POP (ON PAPER)*, Texas Gallery, Houston, TX 2001 Pop Art: U.S./U.K. Connections, 1956 - 1966, The Menil Collection Houston, TX 2001 A Room of Their Own: From Rothko to Rauschenberg/From Arbus to Gober, Museum of Contemporary Art, Los Angeles, CA 2000 On Paper: Drawings, Paintings and Collages, Skidmore Contemporary Art, Malibu, CA 2000 Celebrating Modern Art: The Anderson Collection, San Francisco Museum of Modern Art, CA **2000** From Paris to Pasadena: An Overview of Color Lithography, 1890-1975, Norton Simon Museum, Pasadena, CA 2000 Made in California: Art, Image, and Identity, 1900-2000; Section 5: 1980-2000, Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Los Angeles, CA (catalogue) 1999 Selections from the Permanent Collection: The 1960s, Museum of Contemporary Art, San Diego, CA **1999** Radical P.A.S.T.: Contemporary Art in Pasadena, 1960-1974, The Norton Simon Museum, Pasadena, CA (catalogue) 1999 The Flower Show: An Invitational, Patricia Faure Gallery, Santa Monica, CA **1999** The LACC Alumni Exhibit, Da Vinci Hall Art Gallery at Los Angeles City College, Los Angeles, CA 1999 Screens & Totems, Molly Barnes Gallery, Santa Monica, CA 1998 Billy Al Bengston and Ed Moses, Interior Space International, Los Angeles, CA **JD** Malat Gallery 30 Davies St, Mayfair, London W1K 4NB

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1998 Bliss and Protection: Little Works by Billy Al Bengston and Ken Price, Westfall Art, Venice, CA 1998 LA Art at Saint Matthew's, St. Matthew's Parish School, Pacific Palisades, CA 1998 Gold Rush to Pop, Orange County Museum of Art, Newport Beach, CA 1997 Smaller Works, Sweet Art Gallery, Ojai, CA 1997 All Blue Almost, Gensler, Newport Beach, CA 1997 For the Venice Art Walk, Westfall Art, Venice, CA 1997 Sunshine & Noir: Art in Los Angeles 1960-1997, Louisiana Museum of Modern Art, Humlebaek, Denmark 1997 LA Current: A Media Fusion, The Hammer Museum of Art, Los Angeles, CA 1996 For the Venice Art Walk, Westfall Art, Venice, California 1995 Tamarind: Into the Nineties, Tamarind Institute, Albuquerque, NM 1995 California Collection, Hunsaker/ Schlesinger, Santa Monica, CA 1995 Quintessential California, F.A.C.T., Laguna Beach, CA 1995 Selections from the Robert A. Rowan Trust Collection, Alyce de Roulet Williamson Gallery, Art Center College of Design, Pasadena, CA **1994** Too Cool: Assemblage and Finish Fetish in Los Angeles, Laguna Art Museum, Laguna Beach, CA 1994 U.S.A. Within Limits, Sonoma State University, Rohnert Park, CA Paper Presence, Jan Abrams Gallery, Los Angeles, CA 1994 Big Littles, Boritzer/Gray/Hamano, Santa Monica, CA 1993 Tamarind Impressions: Recent Lithographs, Tamarind Institute, Albuquerque, NM 1993 Kustom Kulture, The Laguna Museum of Art, Laguna Beach, CA 1993 Airbrush in Painting and Illustration, Cypress College Fine Arts Division, CA 1993 Works from HI, The Contemporary Museum Gallery at the Park Plaza Waikiki Hotel, Honolulu, HI 1992 Hand-Painted Pop: American Art in Transition 1955-1962, The Museum of Contemporary Art, Los Angeles, CA 1991 Billy Al Bengston, Laddie John Dill, David Crum, d.p. Fong Galleries, San Jose, CA The State of the Art 1991: A Biennial National Watercolor Invitational, Parkland College Art Gallery, Champaign, IL 1991 Not on Canvas, Asher-Faure, Los Angeles, CA 1991 Retrospective / Prospective, Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Los Angeles, CA 1991 Finish Fetish: L.A.'s Cool School, Fisher Gallery, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA 1991 American Artists in Jewelry, A Selection, Dorothy Goldeen Gallery, Santa Monica, CA Thirty Years of the Honolulu Advertiser Gallery, 1961-1991, The Contemporary Museum, Honolulu, HI 1990 Visions of the Volcano, The Contemporary Museum, Honolulu, HI 1990 Bengston, Alexander, Bell, Dill, Kaufmann, Moses, Orr, Ruscha in Barcelona, Earl McGrath Gallery, Los Angeles, CA **1990** Billy Al Bengston: Watercolors/Susan Holcomb: Acrylics, Margulies Taplin, Bay Harbor Islands, FL **1990** Prints, Prints, Prints, Collectors' Choice for the 90s, Santa Monica Heritage Museum, Santa Monica, CA JD Malat Gallery 30 Davies St, Mayfair,

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1990 Grids, Vrej Baghoomian Gallery, New York, NY 1990 Stamens & Pistils: Interpreting the Flower 1790 -1990, Louis Stern Galleries, Beverly Hills, CA **1989** L.A. Pop in the Sixties, Newport Harbor Art Museum, Newport Beach, CA (catalogue) 1989 Artist/Works III, The Works Gallery, Long Beach, CA 1989 Hidden Assets, Laguna Beach Museum of Art, Laguna Beach, CA 1988 Permanent Collection, I, La Jolla Museum of Contemporary Art, CA 1988 Tropical Topics, Monterey Peninsula Museum of Art, CA 1988 Summer 1988: Selected Works, Thomas Babeor Gallery, La Jolla, CA 1988 20th Century Watercolors: Yesterday & Today, Long Beach Museum of Art, CA 1988 Permanent Collection on View, Newport Harbor Art Museum, Newport Beach, CA **1988** The Studs: Part II: Moses, Goode, Price, Bengston, Graham, Ruscha, Bachardy, Texas Gallery, Houston, TX **1987** Made in the U.S.A.: An Americanization in Modern Art, the '50s and '60s, University of California, Berkeley, CA (catalogue) **1987** *Pop Art USA-UK*, Odakyu Grand Gallery, Tokyo, Japan 1987 American Artists in Jewelry, Fuller Gross Gallery, San Francisco, CA **1987** The Early Show: California Art From the Sixties and Seventies, James Corcoran Gallery, Santa Monica, CA **1987** *California Furnishings: A Statewide Survey of Progressive Design, Monterey* Peninsula Museum of Art, Monterey, CA 1987 Texas Gallery, Houston, TX **1987** Works on Paper, Texas Gallery, Houston, TX 1986 Lawyer's Collect: Part 1, Loyola Law School Gallery, Los Angeles, CA 1986 Tamarind Impressions: Recent Lithographs, Tamarind Institute, Albuquerque, NM **1986** Individuals: A Selected History of Contemporary Art, 1945–1986, The Museum of Contemporary Art, Los Angeles, CA (catalogue) 1985 Tamarind 25th Anniversary Exhibition, Associated American Artists, New York, NY 1985 37th Annual Purchase Exhibition, American Academy and Institute of Arts and Letters, New York, NY 1985 The Designer as Diner, The Table Top Seen as Art by Artists, Designers and Architects, Mark Krasne Showroom, Design Center of Los Angeles, CA **1985** *Poly-Eclecticism*, Hamano Institute, Tokyo, Japan **1985** Home Work: Paintings, Sculpture and Furnishings by Artists, Holly Solomon Gallery, New York, NY **1984** Painting and Sculpture Today: 1984, Indianapolis Museum of Art, Indianapolis, IN **1984** Major Work by California Artists, Hunsaker/Schlesinger Gallery, Los Angeles, CA 1984 Evolution-Revolution- Continuation, Municipal Art Gallery, Barnsdall Park, Los Angeles, CA **1984** *Stars*, Fuller Goldeen Gallery, San Francisco, CA 1983 Los Angeles Pattern Painters, Arco Center for Visual Art, Los Angeles, CA **JD** Malat Gallery 30 Davies St, Mayfair, London W1K 4NB +44 20 3746 6830

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1983 Billy Al Bengston, Laddie John Dill, Tom Holland, Edward Ruscha: New Works on Paper, Linda Farris Gallery, Seattle, WA 1983 Selected Works, Thomas Babeor Gallery, La Jolla, CA **1983** On and Off the Wall: Shaped and Colored, The Oakland Museum, Oakland, CA **1983** The First Show, The Museum of Contemporary Art / The Temporary Contemporary (now the Geffen Contemporary), Los Angeles, CA **1983** From Avery to Zurbaran, A New View of the Permanent Collection, Santa Barbara Museum of Art, Santa Barbara, CA 1983 New Works by California Artists, Texas Gallery, Houston, TX **1982** Exhibition of Contemporary Los Angeles Artists, Nagoya City Museum, Nagoya, Japan **1982** Dualism, Otis Art Institute of Parsons School of Design, Los Angeles, CA **1982** The Americans: The Collage, Contemporary Arts Museum, Houston, TX **1982** Otis Clay, The Revolutionary Years 1954-1964, Garth Clark Gallery, Los Angeles, CA **1982** Billy Al Bengston & Edward Ruscha: New Works on Paper, Texas Gallery, Houston, TΧ **1981** Decode: Los Angeles Pointing in the Seventies, Art Center College of Design, Pasadena, CA **1981** *Group Show*, Thomas Babeor Gallery, La Jolla, CA 1981 Art in Los Angeles: Seventeen Artists the Sixties, Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Los Angeles, CA (catalogue) 1981 Southern California Artists: 1940 - 1980, Laguna Beach Museum of Art, CA 1980 Fabrications, Lowe Art Museum, University of Miami, Coral Gables, FL 1980 Grand Opening Exhibition, Thomas Babeor Gallery, La Jolla, CA 1980 Furnishings by Artists, Otis Parsons Gallery, Los Angeles, CA **1980** '50s Abstract: A Summary of Los Angeles Painting from 1957 through 1960, Conejo Valley Art Museum, Thousand Oaks, CA **1979** *1979 Biennial Exhibition*, Whitney Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY 1979 A Painting Installation, Baxter Art Gallery, Pasadena, CA **1979** Works on Paper from the Institute of Experimental Printmaking, Thomas Segal Gallery, Boston, MA **1979** *The Decorative Impulse,* Institute of Contemporary Art, University of Pennsylvania, PA (catalogue) **1979** A Century of Ceramics in the United States, 1878-1978, Everson Museum of Art, Syracuse, NY (catalogue) **1979** From Allan to Zucker, Texas Gallery, Houston, TX **1978** Selections from the Frederick Weisman Company Collection of California Art, The Art Museum and Galleries, California State University, Long Beach, CA **1978** The Change Inc., West Coast Exhibition, Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Los Angeles, CA 1978 Gold, Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY **1977** Watercolors and Related Media by Contemporary Californians, Baxter Art Gallery, California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, CA (catalogue) 1977 Contemporary Miniatures, California State University, Los Angeles, CA 1977 Opening Exhibition, Newport Harbor Art Museum, Newport Beach, CA **JD** Malat Gallery 30 Davies St, Mayfair, London W1K 4NB +44 20 3746 6830

1976 *Works in Clay,* Everson Museum, Syracuse, NY (catalogue)

1976 Unclassified, Fine Arts Gallery, California State University, Northridge, CA

1976 *The Last Time I Saw Ferus,* Newport Harbor Art Museum, Newport Beach, CA (catalogue)

1976 *Billy Al Bengston & Ed Janss, James Corcoran Gallery, Los Angeles, CA* **1976** *Painting and Sculpture in California: The Modern Era, San Francisco Museum of* Modern Art, San Francisco, CA

1976 Los Angeles, Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY

1976 A Selection of New Works, Texas Gallery, Houston, TX

1975 *Contemporary Drawings,* Willard Gallery, New York, NY

1975 Current Concerns, Los Angeles Institute of Contemporary Art, Los Angeles, CA

1975 Arnoldi, Bengston, Benglis, Wudl, Texas Gallery, Houston, TX

1975 *4 from the East/4 from the West,* Art Gallery, University of California, Santa Barbara, CA

1975 *Collage and Assemblage in Southern California*, Los Angeles Institute of Contemporary Art, Los Angeles, CA

1975 *Recent Acquisitions,* Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum, New York, NY **1975** '60s and '70s: Trends of Six California Artists, Ruth Schaffner Gallery, Los Angeles, CA

1975 There's Always Mañana, Texas Gallery, Houston, TX

1974 *Contemporary American Painting and Sculpture C*, Krannert Art Museum, Champaign, IL

1974 *POP Art, Whitney Museum of American Art,* New York, NY (catalogue) **1974** Works on Paper, Nicholas Wilder Gallery, Los Angeles, CA

1974 Nicholas Wilder Gallery Exhibition, Art Gallery, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, NV

1974 *Painting: Color, Form and Surface,* Lang Art Gallery, Scripps College, Claremont, CA

1974 *California Artists Exhibition*, Root Art Center, Hamilton College, Clinton, NY **1973** *3rd Biennial Exhibition of Contemporary American Painting*, Corcoran Gallery of Art, Washington DC

1973 Recent Acquisitions, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, NY

1973 American Drawing 1970-73, Yale University Art Gallery, New Haven, CT

1973 Billy Al Bengston/Tom Holland, Edward Thorpe Gallery, Santa Barbara, CA

1972 USA/West Coast, Kunstverein in Hamburg, Germany, Kolnischer Kunstverein, Germany; Wurtt Kunstverein Stuttgart, Germany (catalogue)

1972 *The State of California Painting*, Govett-Brewster Art Gallery, New Plymouth, New Zealand (catalogue)

1972 *Contemporary American Art: Los Angeles,* Ft. Worth Art Center Museum, Fort Worth, TX

1972 *Four Artists: Ruscha, Bengston, Alexander, Moses,* Akron Art Institute, Akron, OH (catalogue)

1972 70th American Exhibition, Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL

1972 *Dealers' Choice*, La Jolla Museum of Art, La Jolla, CA

1972 Working in California, Albright-Knox Art Gallery, Buffalo, NY

1971 Lithography, International Exhibitions Foundation, Washington, DC

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1971 Boxed Top Art, Illinois State University, Normal, IL

1971 Billy Al Bengston & Peter Alexander, Locksley Shea Gallery, Minneapolis, MN

1971 Spray, Santa Barbara Museum of Art, Santa Barbara, CA

1971 USA West Coast, Kunstverein, Hamburg, Germany

1970 *The Highway*, Institute of Contemporary Art, Philadelphia, PA (catalogue)

1970 *Three California Friends: Billy Al Bengston, Joe Goode, Ed Ruscha,* Contemporary Arts Foundation, Oklahoma City, OK

1970 Special Exhibition: Ed Moses, Billy Al Bengston, Don Bachardy, Larry Bell, Joe Goode, Tony Berlant, Ron Davis, Ed Ruscha, Ken Price, Peter Alexander, John McCracken, Artist Studio, Venice, CA

1970 *Looking West*, Joslyn Art Museum, Omaha, NE (catalogue)

1970 *A Decade of California Color* 1960-1970, Pace Gallery, New York, NY (catalogue) **1970** *More Than One*, Oakland Museum, Oakland, CA

1969 *Three Modern Masters: Billy Al Bengston, Edward Ruscha, Frank Lloyd Wright,* Gallery Reese-Palley, San Francisco, CA (catalogue)

1969 *Tannarind: Homage to Lithography,* Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY (catalogue)

1969 *Kompas IV: Westkus USA,* Stedelijk van Abbemuseum, Eindhoven, The Netherlands (catalogue)

1969 West Coast 1945-1969, Pasadena Art Museum, Pasadena CA; City Art Museum of St. Louis, St. Louis, Missouri; Art Gallery of Ontario, Toronto, Canada; Fort Worth Art Centre, Fort Worth TX (catalogue)

1969 *Annual Exhibition of Painting*, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, NY

1969 California Graphics, Edizioni 0, Milan, Italy

1968 *Small Paintings for Museum Collections*, American Federation of Art, New York, NY

1968 Suites - Recent Prints, Jewish Museum, New York, NY

1968 California Artists, Los Angeles Art Association Galleries, Los Angeles, CA

1968 *California*, Janie C. Lee Gallery, Dallas, TX

1968 *Late Fifties at the Ferus,* Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Los Angeles, CA (catalogue)

1968 *Mostra Biennale Internazionale Della Graphica,* Palazzo Strozzi, Firenze, Italy **1967** *Speed Sculpture,* Pomona College Art Gallery, Claremont, CA

1967 *Ninety-Four Works from the Collection of Sterling Holloway,* Portland Art Museum, Portland, OR

1967 *Annual Exhibition Contemporary American Painting,* Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, NY

1966 *Ten from Los Angeles,* Seattle Art Museum, Seattle, WA (catalogue)

1966 Abstract Expressionist Ceramics, University of California at Irvine Art Gallery, Irvine, CA (catalogue)

1965 *Pop Art and the American Tradition,* Milwaukee Art Center, Milwaukee, WI (catalogue)

1965 *VIII Biennial of Museum of Modern Art,* Sao Paulo, Brazil (catalogue)

1964 *The Studs,"* Ferus Gallery, Los Angeles, CA

1964 Old Hundred, Larry Aldrich Museum, Ridgefield, CT

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1963 66th American Exhibition, Art Institute of Chicago, IL

1963 *Six More,* Los Angeles County Museum of Art, CA (catalogue)

1963 Miroir et Memoire du Premier Salon International de Galeries Pilotes Lausanne,

Musee National des Beaux Arts, Lausanne, Switzerland

1963 *Pop Art USA*, Oakland Art Museum, Oakland, CA (catalogue)

1963 Hard Edge and Emblem: New Work, Pasadena Art Museum, Pasadena, CA

1963 Pacific Coast Invitational, San Francisco Museum of Art, San Francisco, CA

1962 *Pacific Profile*, Pasadena Art Museum, Pasadena, CA (catalogue)

1962 Pacific Coast Invitational, Santa Barbara Museum of Art, Santa Barbara, CA

1962 *Fifty California Artists,* Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, NY (catalogue)

1959 Los Angeles Painting, Bolles Gallery, San Francisco, CA

1959 Edward Kienholz and Billy Al Bengston: Collages, Ferus Gallery, Los Angeles, CA

1957 *The First Annual Los Angeles Area Drawing Exhibition,* Exodus Gallery, San Pedro, CA

1957 Los Angeles Annual, Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Los Angeles, CA1956 Drawings, Six Gallery, San Francisco, CA

GRANTS AND AWARDS

1987 Tamarind Fellow, Tamarind Lithography Workshop Wilshire-Westwood Barricade, Los Angeles, CA

1985 Five fabric designs, Tokyo, Japan

1982 California Arts Council Maestro / Apprentice Program

1982 Tamarind Fellow, Tamarind Lithography Workshop

1981 California Arts Council Art in Public Buildings Commission, Long Beach State Building

1975 John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation Fellowship

1968 Tamarind Fellow, Tamarind Lithography Workshop

1967 National Foundation for the Arts Grant

PUBLIC COLLECTIONS

American Federation of Arts, CA Art Institute of Chicago, IL Centre Georges Pompidou, Paris, France Contemporary Museum, Honolulu, HI Contemporary Arts Museum, Houston, TX Corcoran Gallery of Art, Washington, D.C. Frederick R. Weisman Foundation of Art, Los Angeles, CA Honolulu Academy of Arts, HI Laguna Art Museum, CA Los Angeles County Museum of Art, CA

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