

Hank Willis Thomas

One-Artist Exhibitions

Dates

Born 1976, Plainfield, New Jersey

Lives and works in New York

Education

2017, Honorary Doctor of Philosophy, Institute for Doctoral Studies in Visual Arts, Portland, Maine

1997, M.F.A. in Photography, and M.A. in Visual Criticism, California College of the Arts, San Francisco, California

1998, B.F.A. in Photography and Africana Studies, New York University, New York

2024

Hank Willis Thomas: LOVERULES - From the Collections of Jordan D. Schnitzer and His Family Foundation, Henry Art Gallery, Seattle, Washington, February 24–August 4, 2024.

2023

Hank Willis Thomas: I've Known Rivers, Pace Gallery, Los Angeles, July 15–August 26, 2023.

2022

Hank Willis Thomas: Everybody Used To Say, Oh, I Got It All From Matisse, And I Said, 'Not Really,'" Ben Brown Fine Arts, Palm Beach, November 22, 2022–January 21, 2023.

Hank Willis Thomas: Everything We See Hides Another Thing, Jack Shainman Gallery, New York, September 8–October 29, 2022.

2021

Hank Willis Thomas: 2021 All Power to All People, Englewood Village Plaza, Kindred Arts, Chicago, August 19–August 30, 2021.

Hank Willis Thomas: The Gun Violence Memorial Project, National Building Museum, Washington, D.C. April 9, 2021–September 25, 2022.

2020

Hank Willis Thomas: All Things Being Equal..., Crystal Bridges Museum of American Art, Bentonville, Arkansas, February 8–April 20, 2020. Traveled to: Cincinnati Art Museum, Cincinnati, Ohio, July 10–November 8, 2020.

Hank Willis Thomas: Fourth Bluff, Fourth Bluff Park, Tri-Star Arts, Memphis, Tennessee, April 16–November 1, 2020.

Hank Willis Thomas: 2020: Action, Freedom, Patriotism, Cornell Fine Arts Museum, Rollins College, Winter Park, Florida, January 18–April 5, 2020.

An All Colored Cast, Kayne Griffin Corcoran, Los Angeles, California, January 18–March 7, 2020.

2019

Hank Willis Thomas: All Things Being Equal..., Portland Art Museum, Oregon, October 12, 2019–January 12, 2020.
Concurrent with: *Hank Willis Thomas: All Things Being Equal...*, Film Series, NW Film Center, Portland, Oregon, 2020.
(Catalogue)

Hank Willis Thomas: Exodusters, The Gordon Parks Foundation, Pleasantville, New York, October 25, 2019–January 31, 2020.

Hank Willis Thomas: Unbranded, Abrams-Engel Institute for the Visual Arts, The University of Alabama at Birmingham, Alabama, May 31–August 10, 2019. Traveled to: Institute of Contemporary Art, Miami, Florida, June 27–November 24, 2019.

2018

Hank Willis Thomas: Overtime, Cairns Art Gallery, Cairns City, Australia, October 12–November 25, 2018.

Hank Willis Thomas: My Life is Ours, Ben Brown Fine Arts, Hong Kong, September 20–October 27, 2018.

Hank Willis Thomas: What We Ask Is Simple, Harvey B. Gantt Center for African-American Arts + Culture, Charlotte, North Carolina, August 11, 2018–March 2, 2019.

Hank Willis Thomas: Black Survival Guide: or How to Live Through a Police Riot, Delaware Art Museum, Wilmington, Delaware, July 14–September 30, 2018.

Hank Willis Thomas: Unbranded, Block Museum of Art, Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois, April 14–August 5, 2018.

Hank Willis Thomas: What We Ask Is Simple, Jack Shainman Gallery, New York, March 29–May 12, 2018.

Hank Willis Thomas: Branded/Unbranded, The Ringling, Sarasota, Florida, February 11–June 10, 2018.

Hank Willis Thomas: Black Righteous Space, University Art Museum, State University of New York Albany, New York, February 1–April 7, 2018.

2017

Hank Willis Thomas: Flying Geese, Mississippi Museum of Art, Jackson, Mississippi, December 9, 2017–July 8, 2018.

Hank Willis Thomas: The Beautiful Game, Ben Brown Fine Arts, London, October 5–November 24, 2017.

Hank Willis Thomas: Blind Memory and Freedom Isn't Always Beautiful, SCAD Museum of Art, Savannah, Georgia, February 21–August 20, 2017. (Catalogue)

Hank Willis Thomas: Unbranded: A Century of White Women, York College Galleries, York, Pennsylvania, January–February 2017. (Catalogue)

2016

Hank Willis Thomas: Unbranded: A Century of White Women, Weatherspoon Art Museum, University of North Carolina Greensboro, North Carolina, September 3–December 11, 2016.

Hank Willis Thomas: Black Righteous Space, California African American Museum, Los Angeles, August 5, 2016–February 19, 2017.

Hank Willis Thomas: To Whom It May Concern, Maruani Mercier Gallery, Brussels, Belgium, April 14–May 22, 2016. (Catalogue)

Hank Willis Thomas: Evidence of Things Not Seen, Kadist Art Foundation, San Francisco, California, February 24–April 9, 2016.

2015

Hank Willis Thomas: The Truth is I See You, Metrotech, New York, 2015.

Hank Willis Thomas: Primary Sources, David Winton Bell Gallery, Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island, August 29–October 25, 2015.

Hank Willis Thomas: In the Box, Chrysler Museum of Art, Norfolk, Virginia, June 18–October 4, 2015.

Hank Willis Thomas: Unbranded: A Century of White Women, Jack Shainman Gallery, New York, April 10–May 23, 2015. (Catalogue)

2014

Hank Willis Thomas: Off the Wall: Bench Marks, Monique Meloche Gallery, Chicago, September 1–November 30, 2014.

Hank Willis Thomas: History Doesn't Laugh, Goodman Gallery, Johannesburg, South Africa, February 22–March 29, 2014. Traveled to: Goodman Gallery, Cape Town, South Africa, June 7–28, 2014.

Hank Willis Thomas: ...and only the people, Galerie Henrik Springmann, Berlin, April 26–June 30, 2014.

2013

Hank Willis Thomas: Unbranded: Reflections in Black Corporate America, 1968-2008, The Cleveland Museum of Art, Ohio, October 20, 2013–March 9, 2014. Concurrent with: *Question Bridge: Black Males, Branded, and Strange Fruit*, The Transformer Station, Cleveland, Ohio, December 14, 2013–March 8, 2014; *In Search of the Truth (The Truth Booth)*, pop-up public art installations around Cleveland, Ohio, October 20, 2013–March 9, 2014.

2013

Hank Willis Thomas, The Art Museum at the University of Kentucky, Lexington, Kentucky, February 8–March 10, 2013.

Hank Willis Thomas: OPP: Other People's Property, Cantor Fitzgerald Gallery, Haverford College, Haverford, Pennsylvania, January 25–March 8, 2013. (Catalogue)

2012

Hank Willis Thomas: Believe It, La Galerie Pfriend, Lacoste, France, January 19–March 30, 2012. Traveled to: Pinnacle Gallery, SCAD Galleries, Savannah, Georgia, June 8–August 24, 2012; Trois Gallery, SCAD Atlanta, Georgia, October 1–December 31, 2012.

2011

Hank Willis Thomas: What Goes Without Saying, Jack Shainman Gallery, New York, October 18–November 19, 2012.

Hank Willis Thomas: Strange Fruit, Corcoran Gallery of Art, Washington, D.C., September 30, 2011–January 15, 2012. Traveled to: The Aldrich Contemporary Art Museum, Ridgefield, Connecticut, July 15–September 30, 2012.

2011

Hank Willis Thomas: Scouring the Earth for My Affinity, Samsøn Projects, Boston, March 24–May 7, 2011.

Hank Willis Thomas: Hope, John Hope Franklin Center, Duke University, Durham, North Carolina, January 20–March 4, 2011. Concurrent with: *Hank Willis Thomas: Question Bridge*, Franklin Humanities Institute, Duke University, Durham, North Carolina, January 20–March 4, 2011.

2010

Hank Willis Thomas: All Things Being Equal, Goodman Gallery, Cape Town, South Africa, September 2–October 4, 2010.

Hank Willis Thomas: Unbranded: Reflections in Black by Corporate America, Brooklyn Museum, New York, July 14, 2010–March 13, 2011.

Hank Willis Thomas, Galerie Anne de Villepoix, Paris, April 17–May 29, 2010.

2009

Hank Willis Thomas, Annarumma 404, Milan, Italy, 2009.

Hank Willis Thomas: Contact: Still Revolution, Georgia Scherman Gallery, Toronto, Canada, 2009.

Hank Willis Thomas: Light Text, Nerman Museum of Contemporary Art, Johnson County Community College, Overland Park, Kansas, September 11–November 29, 2009.

Hank Willis Thomas, Baltimore Museum of Art, Maryland, July 29–November 29, 2009.

Hank Willis Thomas: About Time, 126 Gallery, Galway, Ireland, July 15–August 15, 2009.

Hank Willis Thomas: Black is Beautiful, Roberts & Tilton, Los Angeles, June 13–August 1, 2009.

Hank Willis Thomas: Visionary Delusions, Georgia Scherman Projects, Toronto, Canada, May 8–June 20, 2009.

Hank Willis Thomas: Pitch Blackness, Jack Shainman Gallery, New York, March 16–April 15, 2009. (Catalogue)

2008

Hank Willis Thomas, The Fabric Workshop, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 2008.

2006

Hank Willis Thomas: Signifying Blackness, Sesnon Art Gallery, UC Santa Cruz, California, October 2–November 18, 2006.

Hank Willis Thomas: B®ANDED, Jack Shainman Gallery, New York, March 16–April 15, 2006.

Hank Willis Thomas: Unbranded, Lisa Dent Gallery, San Francisco, March 3–April 8, 2006.

2005

Hank Willis Thomas: Bearing Witness, African American Museum, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, November 18, 2005–January 29, 2006.

2005

Hank Willis Thomas, Oaklandish Gallery, Oakland, California, 2005.

Hank Willis Thomas: Family Matters, The Light Factory, Charlotte, North Carolina, May–June 2005.

2004

Hank Willis Thomas: The Trade Dress: Value Judgments, Diaspora Vibe Gallery, Miami, Florida, 2004.

Hank Willis Thomas, Lisa Dent Gallery, San Francisco, September 24–October 27, 2004.

2003

Hank Willis Thomas: After Happily Ever, Long & Pollack Gallery, San Francisco, 2003.

Hank Willis Thomas: Mother to Son, Texas Women's University, Danville, Texas, 2003.