

John Zurier

1956 Born in Santa Monica, CA
Lives and works in Berkeley and Reykjavik

EDUCATION

1979 BA University of California, Berkeley
1984 MFA University of California, Berkeley

SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2021 *John Zurier*, Moderna Museet Malmö, Sweden
- 2019 *North from Here*, Peter Blum Gallery, New York, NY
Places and Things, Galerie Nordenhake, Stockholm, Sweden
- 2018 *Etchings and Monotypes*, Borch Gallery, Berlin, Germany
A Mind of Winter, Galerie Nordenhake, Berlin, Germany
Sometimes (Over me the mountain), BERG Contemporary, Reykjavik, Iceland
- 2017 *Stars Without Distance*, Peter Blum Gallery, New York, NY
At the very end of the blue sky, The Club, Tokyo, Japan
John Zurier, Galleri Opdahl, Stavanger, Norway
Dust and Troubled Air, Anglim Gilbert Gallery, San Francisco, CA
- 2016 *The Last Summer Light*, Office Baroque, Brussels, Belgium
John Zurier: Summer Book, Niels Borch Jensen, Berlin, Germany
John Zurier and Friends, Crown Point Press, San Francisco, CA
Recent Watercolors, Lawrence Markey, San Antonio, TX
East, Galerie Nordenhake, Berlin, Germany
- 2015 *John Zurier: Watercolors*, Gallerí Gangur (The Corridor), Reykjavik, Iceland
Between North and Night, Galerie Nordenhake, Stockholm, Sweden
West of the Future, Peter Blum Gallery, New York, NY
- 2014 *Recent Paintings*, Lawrence Markey, San Antonio, TX
John Zurier: Matrix 255, Berkeley Art Museum and Pacific Film Archive, Berkeley, CA
- 2013 *Knowledge is a blue naiveté*, Galerie Nordenhake, Berlin, Germany
A Spring a Thousand Years Ago, Peter Blum Gallery, New York NY
John Zurier: Watercolors, Gallery Paule Anglim, San Francisco CA
- 2012 *John Zurier: Paintings*, Patrick De Brock Gallery, Knoke-Heist, Belgium
John Zurier Paintings 1998-2012, The 30th São Paulo Biennial: The Imminence of Poetics, São Paulo, Brazil
- 2011 *John Zurier: Paintings and Watercolors*, Gallery Paule Anglim, San Francisco, CA
- 2010 *John Zurier: White Paintings and Night Paintings*, Peter Blum Gallery, New York, NY
John Zurier, Galeria Javier Lopez, Madrid, Spain
- 2008 *John Zurier: Night Paintings*, Larry Becker Contemporary Art, Philadelphia, PA
- 2007 *John Zurier: Paintings*, Galeria Javier López, Madrid, Spain
John Zurier: Paintings, Peter Blum Gallery, New York, NY
- 2005 *John Zurier: New Paintings*, Gallery Paule Anglim, San Francisco, CA
John Zurier: New Paintings, Larry Becker Contemporary Art, Philadelphia, PA
- 2003 *John Zurier: Oblaka*, Peer, London, England
John Zurier, Gallery Paule Anglim, San Francisco, CA
- 2002 *Broken Fragments: New Monotypes on Linen and Paper*, Aurobora Press,

- San Francisco, CA
- 2001 *John Zurier*, Larry Becker Contemporary Art, Philadelphia, PA
John Zurier, Gallery Paule Anglim, San Francisco, CA
- 2000 *John Zurier: Paintings 1997-1999*, Gallery Paule Anglim, San Francisco, CA
- 1999 *John Zurier: Monotypes*, Aurobora Press, San Francisco, CA
- 1994 *John Zurier: Abstract Paintings*, Gallery Paule Anglim, San Francisco, CA
- 1990 *John Zurier: Monotypes*, Concourse Gallery, Bank of America World Headquarters, San Francisco, CA
- 1989 *John Zurier: New Paintings*, Gallery Paule Anglim, San Francisco, CA
- 1986 *John Zurier*, Gallery Paule Anglim, San Francisco, CA
- 1985 *John Zurier*, Pamela Auchincloss Gallery, Santa Barbara, CA
- 1984 *John Zurier*, Dana Reich Gallery, San Francisco, CA *John Zurier*, Sun Gallery, Hayward, CA

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2020 *Silence Is So Accurate*, Geukens & De Vil, Antwerp, Antwerp, Belgium
- 2019 *Gesture*, Crown Point Press Gallery, San Francisco, CA
Group Exhibition, BORCHs Butik, Copenhagen, Denmark
- 2018 *George's First Print Show*, George Lawson Gallery, San Francisco, CA
Blå (Blue), BORCHs Butik, Copenhagen, Denmark
Black & White, Crown Point Press Gallery, San Francisco, CA
Kind of Blue – Winter Exhibition, Crown Point Press Gallery, San Francisco, CA
In Series: Contemporary Drawings from the Collection, SF MOMA, San Francisco, CA
- 2017 *Degrees of Abstraction*, Crown Point Press Gallery, San Francisco, CA
#currentmood, Berg Contemporary, Reykjavik, Iceland
Group Exhibition, BORCHs Butik, Copenhagen, Denmark
SottoPelle (under the skin), Galleria Annarumma, Naples, Italy
THE STAND, P! Gallery, New York, NY
- 2016 *Traces of Water*, Hafnarbjorg, Hafnarfjörður, Iceland
Be With Me, a Small Exhibition of Large Painting, New Mexico Museum of Art, Santa Fe, NM
Once we were next door neighbours, Hreinn Fridfinnsson and John Zurier, Listasafn ASI, Reykjavik, Iceland
- 2015 *Retrospective*, Gallery Paule Anglim, San Francisco, CA
A Studio in Iceland, Anglim Gilbert Gallery, San Francisco, CA
Paper Trail: Contemporary Prints, Drawings, and Photographs from the Collection, Colby Museum of Art, Waterville, ME
- 2014 *...And Color*, Gallery Paule Anglim, San Francisco, CA
Group Exhibition: The Sea, Larry Becker Contemporary Art, Philadelphia, PA
- 2012 *30th Sao Paulo Biennial*, Sao Paulo, Brazil
Drawing a Line in the Sand, Peter Blum Gallery New York, NY
- 2011 *El Genet Blau*, JiM Contemporani, Barcelona Spain
Life of the World of Come: Twist and Shout, NIAD Gallery, Richmond, CA
- 2010 *Black and White*, Jason McCoy Gallery, New York, NY
California Biennial, Orange County Museum of Art, Newport Beach, CA
Le Tableau, Cheim and Read Gallery, New York, NY
Jack Davidson, Laurie Reid, John Zurier, Pulliam Gallery, Portland, OR
Rare and Unreleased, NIAD Gallery, Richmond, CA
- 2009 *Evergreen: Green Paintings*, George Lawson Gallery, San Francisco, CA
Trans: Form/Color, Meridian Gallery, San Francisco, CA
Monochrome, Manifest Gallery, Cincinnati, OH

- Diminuendo & Crescendo: Small Works Exhibition*, San Francisco Studio School Gallery, San Francisco, CA
Galaxy: A Hundred or So Stars Visible to the Naked Eye, Berkeley Art Museum, University of California, Berkeley, CA
TRANSformal, Pharmaka, Los Angeles, CA
Luminous Room, Larry Becker Contemporary Art, Philadelphia, PA
John Zurier / John Beech, Gallery Paule Anglim, San Francisco, CA
- 2008 *Pintura Abstracta*, Galeria Javier López, Madrid, Spain
Surface and Substance, San Francisco Studio School Gallery, San Francisco, CA
To Be Looked At, Larry Becker Contemporary Art, Philadelphia, PA
To: Night, Times Square Gallery, Hunter College Art Gallery, New York, NY, in conjunction with "Van Gogh and the Colors of the Night" at the Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY
Gwangju Biennial, South Korea
- 2007 *X-Tra: Künstler der Galerie*, Galerie Claus Semerak, Munich, Germany
Trans: Abstraction, Weltraum, Munich, Germany
CCA: 100 Years in the Making, Oakland Museum of California, Oakland, CA
Color/Construct: John Zurier / Tomas Vinson, Wade Wilson Art, Houston, TX
Contemporary Art: Gifts from the Alex Katz Foundation, Colby College Museum of Art, Waterville, MA
Selections from Concrete, H. Paxton Moore Fine Art Gallery, El Centro College, Dallas, TX
- 2006 *The Good, the Bad, the Ugly*, New Langton Arts, San Francisco, CA
Line and Surface: Works on Paper, Peter Blum Gallery, New York, NY
Some Light, Larry Becker Contemporary Art, Philadelphia, PA
- 2005 *A Motion Picture: Videos by 18 Artists*, De Young Museum, San Francisco, CA, curated by Tom Marioni
Bay Area Bazaar, Pulliam Deffenbaugh Gallery, Portland, OR, curated by Laurie Reid
- 2004 *Specific Light*, Eugene Binder Gallery, Marfa, TX
Turning Corners, Berkeley Art Museum, Berkeley, CA
Array, Larry Becker Contemporary Art, Philadelphia, PA
Gallery Artists, Chac Mool Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
- 2003 *Exodus: Between Promise and Fulfillment*, Kettle's Yard, Cambridge, UK
Paintings, Larry Becker Contemporary Art, Philadelphia, PA
- 2002 *John Zurier, Robert Ryman, Joseph Marioni: Painting*, Larry Becker Contemporary Art, Philadelphia, PA
Whitney Biennial, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, NY
XXL, Berkeley Art Museum, Berkeley, CA
Painted Color, Chac Mool Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
- 2000 *Minimalism Then and Now*, Berkeley Art Museum, Berkeley, CA
- 1999 *A Quiet Storm*, Kohn Turner Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
Paintings, Barbara Davis Gallery, Houston, TX
Beholding Beauty, Bedford Gallery, Walnut Creek, CA
- 1998 *Undercurrents and Overtones: Contemporary Abstract Painting*, Oliver Art Center, California College of Arts and Crafts, Oakland, CA
Paintings, Gallery Paule Anglim, San Francisco, CA
Practice and Process: New Painterly Abstraction in California, Armory Center for the Arts, Pasadena and Richmond Art Center, Richmond, CA
- 1996 *Abstraction Absolved: Ten Bay Area Painters*, Mills College Art Gallery, Oakland, CA
New Talent New Ideas, Charles Cowles Gallery, New York, NY
Paintings, Gallery Paule Anglim, San Francisco, CA
Three Painters: Anne Appleby, Gregg Renfrow, John Zurier, Arts Benicia Center, Benicia, CA
- 1993 *Drawing First*, Southern Exposure Gallery at Project Artaud, San Francisco, CA

- Donald Feasel, Philip Morsberger, John Zurier: Recent Paintings*, Shasta College Gallery, Redding, CA
Artists' Self-Portraits in Black and White by Eighty-six West Coast Artists, Edith Caldwell Gallery, San Francisco, CA
Chad Buck, Dan Connally, John Zurier, Gallery Paule Anglim, San Francisco, CA
1992 *Three Painters: Donald Feasel, Philip Morsberger, John Zurier*, Pro Arts Gallery, Oakland, CA
Drawing Room, Nexus Gallery, Berkeley, CA
1990 *Chain Reaction Six*, San Francisco Arts Commission Gallery, San Francisco, CA
Fifteen Artists of Gallery Paule Anglim, Shasta College Gallery, Redding, CA
1988 *Sixteen Young Bay Area Artists*, Colorado State University Art Gallery, Fort Collins, CO
1986 *Monotypes: Garner Tullis Workshop*, Pace Editions, New York, NY
Garner Tullis Workshop, Gallery au Poisson Rouge, Praz/Vully, Switzerland
Expressive Abstraction, Berkeley Art Center, Berkeley, CA
1985 *Gallery Artists*, Pamela Auchincloss Gallery, Santa Barbara, CA
ProArts Annual, ProArts Gallery, Oakland, CA
The Art of Collaboration: Monotypes from the Studios of Garner Tullis, California State University, San Bernardino, CA; traveled to Western Washington State University Art Gallery, Bellingham, WA
Teachers and Pupils, Anna Gardner Gallery, Stinson Beach, CA
1984 *Three Pick Four*, University of California, San Francisco, CA
MFA/UCB/1984, University of California, Berkeley Art Museum, Berkeley, CA
1983 *Hayward Area Forum of the Arts Annual*, Centennial Hall, Hayward, CA
1980 *Paintings and Drawings*, Philippe Bonnafont Gallery, San Francisco, CA

MONOTYPE PROJECTS

- 1998-2002 Aurobora Press, San Francisco, CA
1989-1990 Garner Tullis Workshop, Santa Barbara, CA
1984-1986 Garner Tullis Workshop, Emeryville, CA

AWARDS AND TEACHING

- 2019 Honoree at the Hirshhorn New York Gala "Artist x Artist"
2010 John Simon Guggenheim Fellowship
2006 Present Distinguished Professor, California College of the Arts

PUBLIC COLLECTIONS

- Berkeley Art Museum, Berkeley, CA
Colby College Museum of Art, Waterville, ME
Farnsworth Museum, Rockland, ME
Fine Arts Museums of San Francisco
Microsoft Corporation Art Collection, Redmond, WA
Oakland Museum of California, Oakland, CA
San Francisco Museum of Modern Art, San Francisco, CA
University of California, San Francisco Art Collection, San Francisco, CA
Principia College, Elmhurst, IL

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September/October Issue 2018.
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Westfall, Stephen. "Slow Painting", *Art in America*, February 2018.
- 2017 Cohen, David, moderator. "The Review Panel," *artcritical.com*, episode 87,
November 16, 2017.
Smith, Roberta. "Weekend Arts | Galleries," *The New York Times*, October 27, 2017.
Pobric, Pac. "Private View," *The Art Newspaper*, October 1.
Kotz, Genevieve. "NYC Gallery Scene – Highlights Through October 1, 2017,"
Hampton Arts Hub, September 26.
Cascone, Sarah. "Editors' Picks: 16 Things to See in New York This Week," *Artnet*,
September 25.
Sunnana, Arnhild. "John Zurier – en kunstner vi vil se mer av!" *Contemporary Art Stavanger*, April 4.
Borgen, Trond. "Colour as Optical Sponge," *Stavanger Aftenblad*, April 18.
Roth, David M. "John Zurier @ Anglim Gilbert," *Square Cylinder*, May 31.
"Við vorum einu sinni nágrannar - John Zurier og Hreinn Friðfinnsson," *art*zine*, June 27.
- 2016 "Fjölbreytt myndlistar- og hönnunardagskrá á Listahátíð í Reykjavík," *Listahátíð*
2016, May 9.
Chan, Dawn. "Land of Plenty: Reykjavik," *Artforum*, June 5.
Jóhannsdóttir, Anna. "Af góðum grönnum," *Morgunblaðið*, June 23.
"Datebook: John Zurier's New Exhibition at Crown Point Press Gallery," *Blouin ArtInfo*,
September 6.
Brown, Kathan. "John Zurier," *Overview*, Fall.
Jadrnak, Jackie. "Enchanting Art," *Journal North*, October 21.
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Ray, Eleanor. "John Zurier," *The Brooklyn Rail*, March 5.
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Robinson, Emil. "A Vessel Filling Slowly," *ÆQAI*, March 24.
Bergman, Jeff. "Painting Lives! Zurier, Frecon and Nozkowski," *Atlas: Art News & Reviews & Interviews*, April 9.
Ebony, David. "John Zurier," *Art in America*, May 12.
Rhodes, David. "'Correspondances': Evocations of Real World Experience in the Paintings of John Zurier," *artcritical.com*, March 12.
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