# MCCLAIN GALLERY

#### **CHRISTIAN ECKART**

1959	Born in Calgary, Alberta, Canada
1997	Lived and worked in Berlin, Germany
1984 - 1998	Lived and worked in Brooklyn, New York
1998 - 2002	Lived and worked in Amsterdam, Netherlands
	Currently lives and works in Houston, Texas

## **EDUCATION**

1981 - 1984	Alberta College of Art, Calgary, Canada (Sculpture)
1984 - 1986	MFA, Hunter College, CUNY, New York, New York (Painting)

## **SOLO EXHIBITIONS**

2022	Closer/Still II, The Re Institute, Millerton, New York
2021	Christian Eckart: New Works, General Hardware, Toronto, Canada
2019	Trialectics, McClain Gallery, Houston, Texas
	White Noise, Wilding Cran Gallery, Los Angeles, California
2016	post-post, Wilding Cran Gallery, Los Angeles, California
2013	Christian Eckart: New Works, Trepanier Baer Gallery, Calgary, Canada
2011	Christian Eckart: The Absurd Vehicle and Other Propositions, McClain Gallery, Houston, Texas
2009	Christian Eckart: Works and Projects, McClain Gallery, Houston, Texas
2006	Christian Eckart: Purpose Driven, McClain Gallery, Houston, Texas
	Intelligent Design, Trepanier Baer Gallery, Calgary, Canada
2005	Pornopticon, Clint Roenisch Gallery, Toronto, Canada
2003	Einstein's Toaster New Work by Christian Eckart, Galerie Thaddaeus Ropac, Salzburg, Austria
2002	My Way, Trepanier Baer Gallery, Calgary, Canada
	Exformation, McClain Gallery, Houston, Texas
2001	New Models, Art of this Century, New York, New York
2000	Circuits & Zootropes, Galerie Tanit, Munich, Germany
	Christian Eckart, Windows, Brussels, Belgium
1999	White Album, Trepanier Baer Gallery, Calgary, Canada
	Christian Eckart, Galerie Thaddaeus Ropac, Salzburg, Austria
	New Monochromatic Works Christian Eckart, Robert McClain & Co. Fine Art, Houston, Texas
1998	Christian Eckart, Galerie Ren Blouin–Espace 502, Montreal, Canada, organized by and in collaboration with
	Trepanier Baer Gallery, Calgary, Canada
1997	Various Logic, Janis Gallery New York, New York
	Christian Eckart, Robert McClain and Co. Houston, Texas
	Face à Face,, Galerie Thaddaeus Ropac Paris, France
	Christian Eckart, Works 1986-1996, Galerie Tanit, Munich, Germany
	Christian Eckart, S.A.T. Exhibition Space, L.I.C., Queens, New York, presented by Galerie Thaddaeus Ropac,
	Paris, France and Salzburg, Austria
1994	Christian Eckart, Trepanier Baer Gallery, Calgary, Canada
	Christian Eckart, Galerie Tanit, Munich, Germany
1993	Christian Eckart, Abbaye Saint-Andre, Centre d'Art Contemporain, Meymac, France (catalogue).
	Paintings - Christian Eckart, Sabine Watchters Fine Arts, Brussels, Belgium,
	The Power-Chord Cycle Etching Portfolio, Betsy Senior Contemporary Prints, New York, June-July.

1992	Christian Eckart, Studio La Città, Verona, Italy (catalogue) Sacra Conversazione Paintings, Galerie Tanit, Cologne, Germany Shadow Paintings Project, Rubin Spangle, New York, New York
1991	The Power-Chord Cycle, curated by Bill Jeffries, Contemporary Art Gallery, Vancouver, Canada The Real, the Ideal, the Signified, curated by Zina Davis, Joseloff Gallery, University of Hartford, Hartford, Connecticut (catalogue) Sacra Conversazione Paintings, Rubin Spangle Gallery, New York
	The Power-Chord Cycle, Galerie Thaddaeus Ropac, Paris, France
1990	Christian Eckart, Galerie Philippe Kriwin, Brussels, Belgium (catalogue)
	Forum at the International Kunstmesse, Dusseldorf, Germany, presented by Galerie Tanit, Munich, Germany
	The Power-Chord Cycle, curated by Ron Moppet, Illingworth Kerr Gallery, Alberta College of Art, Calgary,
	Canada (catalogue)
1989	Christian Eckart, Rhona Hoffman Gallery, Chicago, Illinois
	Christian Eckart, Massimo Audiello Gallery, New York, New York
1988	Christian Eckart, Massimo Audiello Gallery, New York, New York
	Museum ex Horror Vacuii, Galerie 'T Venster, curated by Gosse Oosterhof, Rotterdam, the Netherlands
	Christian Eckart, Galerie Laage-Salomon, Paris, France.
1987	Christian Eckart, Rhona Hoffman Gallery, Chicago, Illinois.
	Christian Eckart, Galerie Tanit, Munich, Germany (catalogue).
1986	Christian Eckart, Massimo Audiello Gallery, New York, New York
	Christian Eckart, Massimo Audiello Gallery, New York, New York
1984	Christian Eckart, Paul Kuhn Fine Arts, Calgary, Canada
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# **GROUP EXHIBITIONS**

2016	Split: Mirror. Light. Reflection, Schauwerk Sindeflingen, Germany Radiant Space, McClain Gallery, Houston, Texas
	Haunting Holbein: Evan Penny, Christian Eckart & Vikky Alexander, Trepanier Baer Gallery, Calgary, Alberta
2015	"a pointy toe boot up the backside" Post-Abstraction from Houston: A Group Exhibiton curated by Christian
2013	
	Eckart, Wilding Cran Gallery, Los Angeles, California
2012	Art Toronto with Trepanier Baer Gallery, Calgary, Alberta
2013	Celestial, McClain Gallery, Houston, Texas
2012	Endless, McClain Gallery, Houston, Texas
2012	Conceptual Abstraction, Hunter College Times Square Gallery, New York, New York
	A Golden Time of Day, McClain Gallery, Houston, Texas
	In Plain Sight, McClain Gallery, Houston, Texas
2011	The Durable Idiom: Eric Cameron, Christian Eckart, Stephane La Rue, Trepanier Baer Gallery, Calgary, Alberta
2010	Color and Form, Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Los Angeles, California
	Painting: Process and Expansion from the 1950s to the Present, Museum Moderner Kunst, Vienna, Austria
	Schauwerk Sindelfingen: 100 Artists, 100 Works, 100 Positions, Schauwerk Sindelfingen, Stuttgart, Germany
2009	Wonderland, McClain Gallery, Houston, Texas
	The Royal Canadian Academy of Arts: A Celebration of Art, Architecture, and Design, Trepanier Baer,
	Calgary, Alberta
2008	Bloodline, McClain Gallery, Houston, Texas
2007	Scope Miami with Trepanier Baer Gallery, Calgary, Alberta
2005	The Shape of Colour: Excursions in Color Field Art, 1950 - 2005, organized by Dr. David Moos, Art Gallery of
	Ontario, Toronto, Canada (catalogue)
	Universal Medium, McClain Gallery, Houston, Texas
	Beauty Supply, Clint Roenisch Gallery, Toronto, Canada
2004	Painting! Painting? Sculpture. Richard Rhodes, The News at Five, as presented by Canadian Art Magazine
	and the Toronto International Art Fair
2003	American Beauty, McClain Gallery, Houston, Texas

	Space Vehicles: Allusion Objectified, organized by Christian Eckart, McClain Gallery, Houston, Texas
2002	(catalogue)  Selections from the Martin Z. Margulies Collection, organized by Dahlia Morgan, The Art Museum, Florida
	International University, Miami, Florida, (catalogue)  in the abstract, McClain Gallery, Houston, Texas
	Looking At Painting - 1, organized by Isabel Kunigk, Galerie Tanit, Munich, Germany
	Album: ACAD @ 75, part II, organized by Ron Moppett, Illingworth Kerr Gallery of Art, Alberta
	Rembrandt to Rauschenberg: Building the Collection, organized by Annette Dimeo Carlozzi, Jack S. Blanton Museum of Art, The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, Texas
2001	Pleasure of Sight & States of Being: Radical Abstract Painting since 1990, organized by Roald Nasgaard, Florida State University at Tallahasee, Tallahassee, Florida (catalogue)
	2001: An Art Odyssey Recent Acquisitions to the Contemporary Collection, organized by Kirsten Evendon, Glenbow Museum, Calgary, Canada
	Geometry and Gesture, organized by Nikolaus Ruzicska, Galerie Thaddaeus Ropac, Salzburg, Austria Diskursive Malerei, organized by Lorand Hegyi, Museum Moderner Kunst Stiftung Ludwig Wien, Vienna,
	Austria
	New York, McClain Gallery, Houston, Texas. Benefit for New York City and inauguration of new gallery location
2000	Faith: The Impact of Judeo-Christian Religion on Art at the Millennium, organized by Christian Eckart, Harry Philbrick, and Osvaldo Romberg, The Aldrich Museum of Contemporary Art, Ridgefield, Connecticut
	(catalogue)
1000	Sculpture 2000, Robert McClain & Co. Fine Art, Houston, Texas
1999	Abstrakt, Max-Gandolph-Bibliothek, organized by Galerie Thaddaeus Ropac, Salzburg, Austria (catalogue)  Abstractions, Galerie Laage-Salomon, Paris, France
1998	Disturbing Abstraction, University of Western Ontario, London, Ontario, Canada
	Edmonton Art Gallery, Edmonton, Canada (catalogue)
	Art Gallery of Windsor, Windsor, Canada
1997	Reductive Forms, Robert McClain & Co. Houston, Texas
	The Mackenzie Art Gallery, Regina, Canada The Nickle Arts Museum, Calgary, Canada
	Art Gallery of North York, Toronto, Canada
1996	Commencement of Disturbing Abstraction, organized by Mark A. Cheetham of the University of Western Ontario
	The Artlab, The University of Western Ontario, London, Canada
	Vltava, Motel Fine Arts, New York, New York
	Curved Monochrome Paintings, Galerie Thaddaeus Ropac, Paris, France
1005	Abstract/Real, Museum Moderner Kunst Vienna, Austria
1995	The Golden and Baroque, Robert McClain and Co. Houston, Texas  Trepanier Baer Gallery Calgary, Canada
	Endless Line Paintings, Sabine Watchters Fine Arts, Brussels, Belgium
1994	The Veils, Sabine Watchters Fine Arts, Knokke, Belgium
	Painting, Rhona Hoffman Gallery Chicago, Illinois
1993	I Am the Enunciator, organized by Christian Leigh, Thread Waxing Space, New York, New York (catalogue)
	Slittamenti/Transactions (I Love You More Than My Own Death), organized by Christian Leigh, 45th Biennale di Venezia, Granai delle Zitelle, Guidecca, Venice, Italy (catalogue)
	Living with Art: The Collection of Ellyn & Saul Dennison, The Morris Museum, Morristown, New Jersey
	(catalogue)
	Accrochage International, Galerie Sabine Wachters, Brussels, Belgium
1992	Rubin Spangle Gallery, New York
	Fifteenth Anniversary Exhibtition, Rhona Hoffman Gallery, Chicago, Illinois Nothing New: The Positive Absence of Originality in Art, organized by Anthony Iannacci, Studio La Città 2,
	Verona, Italy (catalogue)

Quotations: The Second History of Art, organized by Barry Rosenberg, The Aldrich Museum of Contemporary Art, Ridgefield, Connecticut; Museum of Contemporary Art at Wright State University, Dayton, Ohio

Psycho, organized by Christian Leigh, Inaugural Exhibition, KunstHall, New York, New York (catalogue) Frame Up, organized by Judith Tolnick, Main Gallery, Fine Arts Center, University of Rhode Island, Kingston, Rhode Island

Galleria Galliani, Genoa, Italy

1991 The Body in Question, organized by Gary Nickard and Melissa Harris, Burden Gallery, The Aperture Foundation, New York

> Bildlicht: Malerei Zwischen Material und Immaterialität, organized by Wolfgang Drechsler and Peter Weibel, Museum Moderner Kunst, Vienna, Austria (catalogue)

Hybrid Abstract, organized by Joshua Decter, Usdan Gallery, Bennington College, Bennington, Vermont (catalogue)

Anni Novanta, organized by Renato Barilli, Galleria Comunale d'Arte Moderna, Bologna; Musei Comunali, Rimini; ex-colonia "Le Navi," Cattolica

Vertigo 'The Remake', organized by Christian Leigh, Galerie Thaddaeus Ropac, Salzburg, Austria After Reinhardt: The Ecstasy of Denial, organized by Max Estenger and Meg O'Rourke, Tomoko Liquori Gallery, New York, New York (catalogue)

Conceptual Abstraction, Sidney Janis Gallery, New York, New York (catalogue)

Les Couleurs de l'Argent, Musée de la Poste, Paris, France (catalogue)

Das Goldene Zeitalter, organized by Tilman Osterwald, Wurttembergischer Kunstverein, Stuttgart, Germany (catalogue)

1990 Spellbound, organized by Christian Leigh, Marc Richards Gallery, Los Angeles, California

Art Against AIDS, Public Art Project Exhibition, Washington, D.C. (catalogue)

Un Art de la Distinction?, organized by Caroline Bissière and Jean-Paul Blanchet, Abbaye

Saint-Andre, Centre d'Art Contemporain, Meymac, France (catalogue)

Neoclassico a Trieste: Attualità del Neoclassico, organized by Dr. Ricardo Caldura

Revoltella, Trieste, Italy (catalogue)

Christian Eckart, Stephen Ellis, Alain Kirili, Imi Knoebel, Koury-Wingate Gallery, New York Vertigo, organized by Christian Leigh, Galerie Thaddaeus Ropac, Paris, France (catalogue)

Mise en Abîme, organized by Vittoria Coen and Anthony Iannacci, Studio La Città, Verona, Italy (catalogue) Horn of Plenty, organized by Gosse Oosterhof, Stedelijk Museum, Amsterdam, the Netherlands (catalogue)

Repetition, organized by Donald McKinney, Hirschl & Adler Modern, New York (catalogue)

The Silent Baroque, organized by Christian Leigh, Galerie Thaddaeus Ropac, Salzburg, Austria (catalogue) Projects & Portfolios, organized by Barry Walker, The Brooklyn Museum of Art, Brooklyn, New York (catalogue)

Redefining the Object, organized by Barry A. Rosenberg, University Art Galleries, Wright State University,

Dayton, Ohio and Cleveland Center for Contemporary Art, Cleveland, Ohio (catalogue) 24 Square, organized by Saul Ostrow, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, Massachusetts

Complexity and Contradiction, organized by Christian Leigh, Scott Hanson Gallery, New York, New York (catalogue)

La Couleur Seule: L'Experience du Monochrome, organized by Maurice Besset and Thierry Raspail, Musée d'Art Contemporain, Lyon, France (catalogue)

Art of the 80's: Artists from the Eli Broad Foundation Collection, Kresqe Museum, Detroit, Michigan (catalogue by Phyllis Floyd Arnfield)

Artist - Designed Toys, First Street Forum, Pulitzer Foundation, St. Louis, Missouri (catalogue)

Reconstruct, organized by Robert Nickas, John Gibson Gallery, New York (catalogue)

The Art of the Real, organized by Robert Nickas, Galerie Pierre Huber, Geneva, Switzerland (catalogue) Gallery Group Show, Massimo Audiello Gallery, New York

Primary Structures, organized by Robert Nickas, Rhona Hoffman Gallery, Chicago, Illinois of Ever-Ever Land i speak, organized by Christian Leigh, Stux Gallery, New York (catalogue)

Faux Arts: Surface Illusions and Simulated Materials in Recent Art, organized by Ronald J. Onorato, La Jolla Museum of Contemporary Art, La Jolla, California (catalogue)

1989

Facture, Laurie Rubin Gallery, New York

Gold, organized by the Art Advisory Service, a project of the Associate Council of the Museum of Modern

Art, New York

Red, organized by Robert Nickas, Massimo Audiello Gallery, New York

Tableaux Abstraits, organized by Christian Besson, Villa Arson, Nice, France (catalogue)

When Attitudes Become Form, Bess Cutler Gallery, New York, New York

Ten Artists Working in New York and Washington, organized by Robert Feldman and Jock Reynolds, Addison

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