

# Michael Markowsky

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## Education:

- 1999-2002 Art Center College of Design, Pasadena, California, USA (**MFA**)
- 2000 Royal College of Art, London, England, UK
- 1995-1999 Alberta College of Art and Design, Calgary, Alberta, Canada (**BFA with Honors**)
- 1998 Cooper Union School of Art, New York City, New York, USA

## Selected Professional Experience:

- 2013 Sessional Faculty, Emily Carr University of Art & Design, Vancouver, BC
- 2003-2009 Faculty, Armory Center for the Arts, Pasadena, California
- 2002 Teacher's Assistant to Mike Kelley, Art Center, Pasadena, California
- 2002 Undergraduate Sculpture Teacher, Art Center, Pasadena, California

## Selected Solo Exhibitions:

- 2012 *Painting at the North Pole*, Yactac, Vancouver
- 2012 *A Painter on Top of the World*, CFS Alert, Nunavut (North Pole)
- 2010 *New Works*, Axis Contemporary Art, Calgary, Alberta
- 2010 *Travels Across Canada and Beyond*, The Works, Edmonton, Alberta
- 2009 *The Dynamic Landscape*, Armory Center for the Arts, Pasadena, California
- 2009 *Moving Pictures*, Banff Centre for the Arts, Banff, Alberta
- 2008 *Errol and George: Two Sad Swashbucklers*, Access Artist Run Center, Vancouver, BC
- 2008 *The French Riviera and the California Coast*, Axis Contemporary Art, Calgary, Alberta
- 2006 *Driving Drawings, Paintings and Videos*, Axis Contemporary Art, Calgary, Alberta
- 2004 *Blind to the Sun*, Banff Center for the Arts, Banff, Alberta
- 2002 *Private Investigations; After the New Color*. MFA Thesis Exhibition,  
Art Center Graduate Gallery, Pasadena, California
- 2002 *Out of the corner of my eye*, Art Center Graduate Gallery, Pasadena, California
- 2001 *Chasing Chance*, Art Center Graduate Gallery, Pasadena, California
- 2001 *Falling in Love*, Holt Renfrew, Calgary, Alberta
- 2000 *Assignment*, Art Center Graduate Gallery, Pasadena, California
- 1999 *ATTACK!* Marion Nicoll Gallery, Center for the Performing Arts, Calgary, Alberta

## Selected Group Exhibitions:

- 2013 *Canadian Forces Artists Program*, Canadian War Museum, Ottawa, Ontario
- 2012 *Fresh Paint*, Elissa Cristall Gallery, Vancouver, BC
- 2012 *PAINT*, Gallery 101, Ottawa, Ontario
- 2011 *Once it is a story it remains one or fades...* Access Artist Run Center, Vancouver
- 2010 *Checking in with your Hotspots*, Surrey Art Gallery, Surrey, British Columbia  
(with **Ken Lum and Michel de Broin**)
- 2010 *Produce/Produce*, Arnica Artist Run Center, Kamloops, British Columbia
- 2010 *Artist Ranch Project*, Calgary Stampede, Calgary, Alberta
- 2009 *Celebrities of the Self*, Kamloops Art Gallery, Kamloops, British Columbia  
(with **Tim Lee, Shannon Oksanen, Dan Starling, Althea Thauberg**)
- 2008 *Monobandes*, Les Territoires, Montreal, Quebec
- 2008 *Masterpeices*, Art Gallery of Calgary, Calgary, Alberta
- 2008 *Merhaba*, Hewan Art Gallery, Baghdad, Iraq
- 2008 *Monster Drawing Rally*, Outpost for Contemporary Art, Los Angeles, California
- 2008 *Knock on Woods*, Helen Pitt Gallery, Vancouver, British Columbia

### **Selected Group Exhibitions (Continued):**

- 2007 *The 1950 Ford Show*, Art Gallery of Alberta, Edmonton, Alberta  
2007 *Artists in Residence*, Armory Northwest/965, Pasadena, California  
2007 *High and Dry, Smoke and Fog*, Phantom Galleries, Beverly Hills, California  
(with **Robert Rauschenberg, Ed Ruscha, Christoph Schmidberger**)  
2006 *UpClose*, Armory Center for the Arts, Pasadena, California  
2005 *Drive Time*, Wignall Museum, Chaffey College, Rancho Cucamonga, California  
2005 San Francisco-Oakland Bayennale, Fruitvale Transit Plaza, Oakland, California  
2005 *The Lateral Slip*, The Sweeney Gallery, University of California, Riverside  
(with **Ed Ruscha, Bas Jan Ader, Pae White, Jorge Pardo**)  
2004 *Collage Party*, Museum of Contemporary Art, Los Angeles, California  
2004 *ARTRAGEOUS*, Illingworth Kerr Gallery, Calgary, Alberta  
2004 *UpClose*, Armory Center for the Arts, Pasadena, California  
2003 *Summer Show*, Beyond Baroque Literary/Arts Center, Venice, California  
2002 *Beyond Text*, Beyond Baroque Literary/Arts Center, Venice, California  
(with **William S. Burroughs**)  
2001 *Communique*, Cactus Bra, Blue Star Art Complex, San Antonio, Texas  
1999 *The End of the World - Millennium Show*, The Uptown, Calgary, Alberta  
1999 *BFA Thesis Exhibition*, Illingworth Kerr Gallery, Calgary, Alberta  
1999 *The Army Show*, Main Hall, Alberta College of Art, Calgary, Alberta  
1999 *Annual Exchange Show*, The Little Gallery, University of Calgary, Calgary, Alberta  
1998 *Discover / Uncover*, Marion Nicoll Gallery, Calgary, Alberta  
1998 *Annual Film and Video Festival*, Cooper Union, New York City, New York

### **Selected Performances:**

- 2013 *Brasstronaut*, Western-Canada Tour, BC and Alberta (6 dates)  
2012 *Brasstronaut*, Cross-Canada Tour, Vancouver to Quebec City (21 dates)  
2012 *Video-Camera Obscura*, Talent Time, Vancouver, BC  
2011 *Video-Camera Obscura*, Drawn Festival, Vancouver, BC  
2010 *Resorts*, Astoria, Vancouver, British Columbia  
2010 *Brasstronaut*, St. James Hall, Vancouver, British Columbia  
2010 *Blind Double Portrait*, Raw Canvas, Vancouver, British Columbia (with Anna Robin)  
2010 *SpaceMelt*, Rozsa Centre, University of Calgary, Calgary, Alberta  
2010 *SpaceMelt*, Bentley Hall, Banff Centre for the Arts, Banff, Alberta  
2009 *Moving Pictures*, Banff Centre for the Arts, Banff, Alberta (with Bryan Davies)  
2009 *Facemelt*, Bentley Hall, Banff Centre for the Arts, Banff, Alberta (with Terri Hron)  
2002 Jim Shaw's *The Initiation Ritual of the 360 Degrees*, starring role as "The Initiate",  
PS1 Contemporary Art Center (affiliate of MoMA), New York, New York,  
(**Other performers: Mike Kelley, Stephen Prina, and Dave Muller**)  
2000 Performed w/ Stan Kaplan for Stephanie Taylor, Chinatown, Los Angeles  
1999 Performed live for Stephanie Taylor, China-Art Objects, Los Angeles, California

### **Selected Awards:**

- 2013 Visual Artists Project Grant, BC Arts Council, Victoria, British Columbia  
2010 Canadian Forces Artists Program, Defense Department, Ottawa, Ontario  
2009 David Miyauchi and Mary Elizabeth Macrae Scholarship, Banff Centre, Alberta  
2007-2009 Individual Artist Grant, City of Pasadena, California  
2007 Robert Rauschenberg Foundation *Power of Art Award*, Washington DC.  
2006 Canada Council for the Arts, Visual Arts Project Grant, Ottawa, Canada  
2003-2004 Teaching Fellowship, Armory Center for the Arts, Pasadena, California  
2002 Yvonne Segerstom Grant, Art Center, Pasadena, California  
1999-2002 Academic Achievement Scholarship, Art Center, Pasadena, California  
1998 Illingworth Kerr Scholarship, Alberta College of Art, Calgary, Alberta

### **Artist Residencies:**

- 2013 CAMAC (Centre D'Art - Marnay Art Centre), Marnay, France
- 2013 KIAC (Klondike Institute of Art and Culture), Dawson City, Yukon
- 2012 Yactac, Vancouver, British Columbia
- 2009 *Artist Ranch Project*, Calgary Stampede, Calgary, Alberta
- 2009 *Master Class: Road Show: Travels of the Artist (with Ken Lum and Kitty Scott)*, Banff Centre for the Arts, Banff, Alberta
- 2008 *Artist-in-Residence*, One Colorado, Pasadena, California
- 2007 Armory Northwest/965, Armory Center for the Arts, Pasadena, California
- 2003-2004 Beyond Baroque Literary/Arts Center, Old Venice City Hall, Venice, California

### **Selected Lectures:**

- 2013 *Coming Obsolescence of the Art Supply Store*, SOVA, Dawson City, Yukon
- 2010 *Why Art Needs TV*, Arnica, Kamloops, British Columbia
- 2008 *Contemporary Landscape Painting*, Carleton University, Ottawa, Ontario
- 2008 Les Territoires, Montreal, Quebec
- 2008 Khyber ICA & Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia
- 2006 *New Approaches to Drawing*, Art Institute of Los Angeles, Los Angeles, California
- 2006 New Horizons School, Pasadena, California
- 2004 *Traditional Art Practices and Digital Media*, University of California Irvine

### **Selected Press:**

- 2012 *Calgary Herald*, "Chilling Images", Feature by Heath McCoy, Calgary, May 15, 2012
- 2012 *CBC Radio: Early Edition*, Interview by Elaine Chau, Vancouver, May 4, 2012
- 2012 *Contact Magazine*, "Art Show at CFS Alert," Vol47, Iss18, p.4, Toronto, May 4, 2012
- 2012 *CBC Radio: Labrador Morning*, Interview by Chris Harbord, Moncton, April 17, 2012
- 2012 *CBC Radio: Qulliq*, Interview by Abraham Tagalik, Nunavut, April 15, 2012
- 2010 *CBC Radio: Daybreak South*, Interview by Shelley Joyce, Kelowna, Sept 17, 2010
- 2010 *Radio NL, LIVE Interview* with Jim Harrison, Kamloops, BC, Sept 16, 2010
- 2010 *Kamloops Daily News*, Review by Mike Youds, Kamloops, BC, Sept 15, 2010
- 2010 *CJSF TV, LIVE Interview* with Susan Edgell, Kamloops, BC. Sept, 14, 2010
- 2010 *CBC Radio: Daybreak Alberta*, Interview with Russell Bowers, Calgary, July 24, 2010
- 2010 *FFWD Magazine*, Review by Drew Anderson, Calgary, Alberta July 15, 2010
- 2010 *CTV News*, Interview with Kevin Rich, Calgary, Alberta, July 15, 2010
- 2010 *CJSR Radio*, Interview with Amy Fung, Edmonton, Alberta, July 2, 2010
- 2010 *GlobalTV, LIVE Interview* by Lorraine Mansbridge, Edmonton, June 30, 2010
- 2010 *CTV News*, Interview by Graham Neil, Edmonton, Alberta, June 27, 2010
- 2010 *CityTV News, LIVE Interview* by Carla Turner, Edmonton, Alberta, June 25, 2010
- 2010 *Galleries West Magazine*, by Bob Keelaghan, Calgary, p.45-49, Summer 2010
- 2009 *Architect's Newspaper*, Review by Victoria Monjo, New York, p.24 July 15, 2009
- 2008 *ArtUS Magazine*, Feature review by Amarie Bergman, Issue 24, p.32-33, Fall 2008
- 2008 *CityTV* "Your City" Television review of Driving Paintings at Axis Art, May 7, 2008
- 2008 *Shaw TV*, Television review of Driving Paintings at Axis Art, Calgary, May 7, 2008
- 2008 *Where Magazine*, "30 things we love about Calgary," p.86, March/April 2008
- 2008 *WorldWeb.com*, Jill Sawyer, "Travel Guide to Artist Portraits," Vol.7, No.1, Spring
- 2007 *Pasadena Weekly*, "Up Front," Pasadena, California, August 9, 2007
- 2007 *NBC News*, Review by Mat Gleason, Los Angeles, California, July 19, 2007
- 2007 *Calgary Sun*, "Way to go, Marko," Calgary, Alberta, May 30, 2007
- 2007 *The Globe and Mail*, "The Biz: Deals and Moves in Canadian Art," May 29, 2007
- 2007 *The Calgary Herald*, "The Buzz," Cover of 'Books & The Arts' Section, May 27, 2007
- 2007 *Pasadena Star-News*, "The Art of Teaching," Cover of 'Local' Section, May 18, 2007
- 2007 *Pasadena Weekly*, "Saved By Art", Pasadena, California, May 17, 2007