

# PAULA COOPER GALLERY

## ROBERT WILSON Biography

**Born:** Waco, Texas, 1941

### EDUCATION

1966           Apprentice to Paolo Soleri, Arcosanti Community, AZ  
1965           BFA, Pratt Institute, Brooklyn, NY  
1962           Studied painting with George McNeil, Paris, France  
1959-62       University of Texas, Austin, TX

### AWARDS & HONORS

2023   Praemium Imperiale, Theatre/Film

2014   Goethe Medal: Lifetime Achievement Award from the Goethe-Institut, Weimar, Germany  
Officer of the Legion of Honor, awarded by the President of the French Republic  
Officer's Cross of the Order of Merit, awarded by the President of the Federal Republic of  
Germany

2013   Honorary Doctorate, La Sorbonne, Paris, France  
Olivier Award: Best New Opera, London, UK

2010   Der Steiger Award, Bochum, Germany

2009   Hein Heckroth Prize: Lifetime Achievement for Scenic Design, Giessen, Germany  
Trophée des Arts Gala 2009, French Institute Alliance Française, New York

2007   Rosa d'Oro (presented by David Hockney), Palermo, Italy

2005   Louise T. Blouin Foundation Award, New York, NY  
Pratt Legends Honoree, Pratt Institute, Brooklyn, NY  
IMAJINE: American Innovator Award, The Japan Society, New York, NY  
Texas Medal of Arts, Texas Cultural Trust Council, Austin, TX

2003   Commandeur des Arts et des Lettres, Paris, France  
Backstage West Garland Award: Best Lighting Design (*Woyzeck*), Los Angeles, CA

2002   Politika Grand Prix Award (*Woyzeck*), Belgrade International Theater Festival  
(*Woyzeck*), Belgrade, Serbia and Montenegro  
Thomas Jefferson Award, American Institute of Architects, Houston, TX

2001   National Design Award, Smithsonian Institution, National Design Museum, New York, NY  
Andrea Palladio Award, Houston Opera Gala, TX [Robert Wilson honored]  
Reumert Award: Best Set Design (*Woyzeck*), Copenhagen, Denmark

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- 2000 Grand Prix de la Critique 1999/2000: Meilleur Spectacle Étranger [Best Foreign Production] (Dream Play), Syndicat de la Critique Dramatique et Musicale [Union of French Theater Critics]  
Mary Buckley Endowed Scholarship Dinner, Pratt Institute [Robert Wilson honored], Harvard Club, New York, NY  
American Academy of Arts and Letters [elected American Honorary Member, inducted 5/17/00]
- 1999 Wilhelm Hansen Honorable Prize, Copenhagen  
Medaille d'Argent de la Fondation de l'Academie d'Architecture, Paris, France  
Honorary Award, 11th International Istanbul Theatre Festival, Turkey  
Pushkin Prize, Taganka Theater, Moscow, Russia
- 1998 Harvard Excellence in Design Award, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA
- 1997 Tadeusz Kantor Prize, Krakow, Poland  
Robert Wilson Day declared by Texas State Legislature (4/18/97)  
B-Z Kulturpries, Berlin, Germany
- 1996 Europe Prize for Theater, Taormina, Italy  
Dorothy and Lillian Gish Prize, New York, NY
- 1995 Premio Abbiati, Italian Theater Critics Award, Milan, Italy  
Texas Artist of the Year, Art League of Houston, Houston, TX  
Best Director, International Widescreen Festival (The Death of Moliere), Amsterdam, the Netherlands  
Premio Abbiati , Best Set Design and Direction for Hanjo/Hagoromo at the 57th Maggio Musicale Fiorentino and TSE come in under the shadow of this red rock at Orestyadi de Gibellina  
Guest of Honor, American Friends of the Paris Opera and Ballet Gala Dinner, New York, NY
- 1994 Premio Ubu, Best Foreign Performance, Alice, Thalia Theater of Hamburg production, designed and directed by Robert Wilson, Milan, Italy  
Honorary Doctorate, California College of Arts and Crafts, Oakland, CA
- 1993 Golden Lion Award in Sculpture, Venice Biennale, Venice, Italy
- 1992 Premio Ubu, Best Foreign Performance (Dr. Faustus Lights the Lights), Milan, Italy
- 1991 Jack I. and Lillian Poses Creative Arts Award at Brandeis University for Alternative and Multidiscipline Creative Art Forms, Waltham, MA  
Honorary Doctorate, Pratt Institute, New York, NY  
Theatertreffen (The Black Rider), Festspiele Berlin, Germany
- 1990 German Theater Critics Award, Best Production of the Year, (The Black Rider) Berlin Festspiele Theatertreffen, Berlin, Germany  
Special Mention by the Jury, Festival du Film d'Art (La Femme à la Cafetière), Paris, France
- 1989 Grand Prize, Biennale Festival of Cinema Art, Barcelona, Spain  
Premio Abbiati, Best Production of the Year, Italian Theater Critics Award (Doktor Faustus) Milan, Italy

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- Great Prize of São Paulo's Biennial for Best Event (Parsival and Hamletmachine, furniture and drawings) São Paulo, Brazil  
Lion of the Performing Arts, New York, NY Public Library, New York, NY
- 1988 Institute Honor, The American Institute of Architects, New York, NY  
Mondello Award for Theater, Palermo, Spain
- 1987 American Theater Wing Design Award, Noteworthy Unusual Effects (the CIVIL warS/Rome section), Brooklyn Academy of Music, NY  
Bessie Award (The Knee Plays), New York, NY  
French Critics Award for Best Foreign Play (Alceste), Le Syndicat de la Critique Musicale  
Berlin Festspiele Theatertreffen (Hamletmachine), Berlin, Germany  
Skowhegan Medal for Drawing, Skowhegan School of Painting and Sculpture, New York, NY and Skowhegan, ME
- 1986 Sole nominee, Pulitzer Prize for Drama (the CIVIL warS) [no prize awarded that year]  
Picasso Award (Overture to the Fourth Act of Deafman Glance), Malaga Theater Festival, Malaga, Spain  
OBIE Award for Direction (Hamletmachine), New York, NY
- 1985 Franklin Furnace Award (Einstein on the Beach), New York, NY
- 1984 Theatertreffen, Berlin Festspiele (the CIVIL warS/Cologne Section)  
First Prize, San Sebastian Film and Video Festival (Stations), San Sebastian, Spain
- 1982 Citation (The Golden Windows), Harvard University, Cambridge, MA  
Der Rosenstrauss (The Golden Windows), Munich, Germany
- 1979 Best Production of the Year, German Critics Award (Death, Destruction, and Detroit), Berlin, Germany  
First Prize, German Press Award (Death, Destruction, and Detroit), Berlin, Germany
- 1977 Lumen Award for Design (Einstein on the Beach), New York, NY  
Grand Prize, BITEF (Einstein on the Beach), Belgrade, Yugoslavia  
Critics Award for Best Musical Theater, Le Syndicat de la Critique Musicale (Einstein on the Beach), Paris, France
- 1975 TONY Nomination for Best Score and Lyrics (A Letter for Queen Victoria), New York, NY  
Maharam Award for Best Set Design for a Broadway Show (A Letter for Queen Victoria), New York, NY
- 1974 OBIE Special Award Citation for Direction (The Life and Times of Joseph Stalin), New York, NY
- 1971 Drama Desk Award for Direction (Deafman Glance), New York, NY
- 1970 Critics Award for Best Foreign Play 1970-1971 (Deafman Glance), Le Syndicat de la Critique Musicale, Paris, France

## **ONE-PERSON EXHIBITIONS**

- 2022 *Robert Wilson: Chairs, 1969–2011*, MDFG, New York, NY

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- Robert Wilson: Moving portraits*, Art Gallery of South Australia, Adelaide, Australia  
*Robert Wilson: A Bird and a Fox*, Josh Pazda Hiram Butler, Houston, TX
- 2020 *Der Messias – Zeichnungen*, Galerie Thaddaeus Ropac – Villa Kanst Salzburg, Austria  
*Robert Wilson: Videos and Drawings*, Bernier/Eliades, Brussels, Belgium
- 2018 *Robert Wilson – The Hat Makes The Man*, curated by Robert Wilson, Max Ernst Museum, Brühl, Germany  
*Robert Wilson. Balthus Unfinished*, curated by Robert Wilson, Plateforme 10 (mcba), Lausanne, Switzerland
- 2017 *Robert Wilson – Black and White*, Galeria Luisa Strina, São Paulo, Brazil
- 2016 *Robert Wilson for Villa Panza – Tales*, Villa e Collezione Panza, Varese, Italy
- 2015 *Robert Wilson*, The National Arts Club Gallery, New York, NY  
*Einstein on the Beach*, Backlit Gallery, Nottingham, UK
- 2014 *Lady Gaga Video Portraits*, The Watermill Center, Water Mill, NY
- 2013 *Le Louvre invite Robert Wilson*, Louvre Museum, Paris, France
- 2011 *Robert Wilson: 147 Spring Street Byrd Loft*, New York, NY
- 2010 *Robert Wilson: Video Portraits*, Jiri Svestka Gallery, Prague, Czech Republic  
*Deafman Glance: A Video Installation*, Paula Cooper Gallery, New York, NY
- 2009 *Voom Portraits: Robert Wilson*, Phoenix Hallen & Hamburger Kunsthalle, Hamburg, Germany; traveled to Hydra School Project, Hydra, Greece; Palazzo Reale, Milan, Italy; San Benito, Valladolid, Spain; Bernice Steinbaum Gallery, Miami, FL; The Fabric Museum and Workshop, Philadelphia, PA
- 2008 *VOOM Portraits: Robert Wilson*, National Museum of Singapore, Singapore; SESC Pinheiro, São Paulo, Brazil; Joslyn Art Museum, Omaha, NE
- 2007 *Robert Wilson – VOOM Portraits*, Paula Cooper Gallery, New York, NY; Phillips de Pury & Company, New York, NY
- 2006 *Peer Gynt*, Bam Howard Gilman Opera House, New York, NY
- 2004 *Robert Wilson: Chairs and Drawings*, Baronian Francey, Brussels, Belgium  
*Robert Wilson*, Rena Bransten Gallery, San Francisco, CA  
*Robert Wilson: Selected Works*, ACE Gallery, Beverly Hills, CA
- 2002 *Come in – Go Out*, Museets sma meddelelser, Roskilde, Denmark  
*Theater of Drawing: Early Artworks of Robert Wilson 1969-1976*, The McNay Art Museum, San Antonio, TX  
*Never Doubt I Love*, La Galerie des Galeries (Galeries Lafayette), Paris, France
- 2001 *14 Stations*, Mass MoCA, North Adams, MA  
*Wilson Wahn*, Theaterwissenschaftliche Sammlung, Universität zu Köln, Schloss Wahn, Cologne, Germany  
*Robert Wilson : Russian Madness*, Galerie Krinzinger, Salzburg, Austria  
*Robert Wilson's 'The Poles': A Celebration*, Loveland, OH

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- Alberto Giacometti inszeniert von Robert Wilson* [installation], Art Basel, Basel, Switzerland
- Isamu Noguchi: Sculptural Design*, organized by the Vitra Design Museum in collaboration with the Isamu Noguchi Foundation, Inc., initial idea by Alexander von Vegesack, curated by Katarina V. Posch and Jochen Eisenbrand, collaboration by Christian Wassmann, light design by A. J. Weissbard, sound design by Peter Cerone, Design Museum, London, UK; traveled to Vitra Design Museum, Weil am Rhein, Germany; Reina Sofia Museum, Madrid, Spain
- Russian Madness* [installation], Reales Atarazanas (Valencia Biennial), Valencia, Spain
- Robert Wilson, Bernier / Eliades Gallery*, Athens, Greece
- 2000 *Memory/Loss*, installation revival of work for 1993 Biennale de Venezia, Galeria Krzysztoforoy (Festival Tadeusz Kantor), Krakow, Poland
- Robert Wilson: Zeichnungen 1971-1996*, Galerie Fred Jahn, Munich, Germany
- Robert Wilson: recent sculpture*, Paula Cooper Gallery, New York, NY
- Robert Wilson, Three Installations*, Annemarie Verna, Zurich, Switzerland
- Anna Didn't Come Home That Night* [installation], The Danish Museum of Decorative Art, Copenhagen, Denmark
- Robert Wilson on Video: selected works in theatre, opera, film, video and installation*, Location One, New York, NY
- Giorgio Armani*, Exhibition designed by Robert Wilson, curated by Germano Celant and Harold Koda, lighting by A. J. Weissbard, music by Michael Gelasso, The Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum, New York, NY; traveled to The Guggenheim Museum, Bilbao
- Robert Wilson Z 2: the sleeping room of people who did not know each other*, Lusthaus, Vienna, Austria
- 14 Stations* [installation], Passionstheater, Oberammergau, Germany
- A House for Edwin Denby and Edwin's Last Day*, (installations), Wanås Castle, Knislinge, Sweden
- Le Tombeau de Suger* [installation], Basilique de Saint-Denis, Saint-Denis, France
- Anna's Room* [installation, including performance by Ines Somellera], In Stanze e Segreti, Rotunda della Besana, Milan, Italy
- Robert Wilson: Time and Space*, Itochu Gallery, Tokyo, Japan
- 1999 *Paul Landowski : le temple de l'homme* [installation designed by Robert Wilson for the work of Paul Landowski], Petit Palais, Musée des Beaux-Arts de la Ville de Paris, France
- Robert Wilson: Rappel en Images* [drawings from Scourge of Hyacinths], Galerie Papiers Gras, Geneva, Switzerland
- Chairs*, Hiram Butler Gallery, Houston, TX
- Robert Wilson: Time Rocker Knee Plays*, The Norwood Gallery, Austin, TX
- 50 years Otto Versand* [outdoor sculpture door for gala event], Otto Versand, Hamburg, Germany
- 1998 *Theater of Drawing: Early Artworks of Robert Wilson*, Gund Hall Gallery, Harvard Graduate School of Design, Cambridge MA; traveled to Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago, IL
- Bob Wilson: Relative Light*, Palazzina dei Giardini, Moden, Italy
- Robert Wilson : A cidade e as estrelas : parte 5*, Galeria Luís Serpa Projectos, Lisbon, Portugal
- Robert Wilson: 'Dantons Tod': Zeichnungen*, Fördererloungs des Grossen Festspielhauses, Salzburg, Austria
- Carpets for a Magical Garden*, Galerie der Herrenhäuser Gärten,

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Hannover, Germany

- 1997 *Robert Wilson / Villa Stuck* [installation, also titled *Steel Velvef*], Museum Villa Stuck, Munich, Germany  
*The Keir Collection of Medieval Works of Art* [auction exhibition], Sotheby's, New York, NY  
*Robert Wilson: Pelléas et Mélisande : Zeichnungen und Skulpturen*, Schüttkasten Salzburg, Austria  
*Waco Door* [permanent outdoor sculpture], Waco Art Center, Waco, TX  
*Robert Wilson*, Paula Cooper Gallery, New York, NY
- 1996 *Water Jug Boy* [installation], Art Cologne: Internationaler Kunstmarkt, Cologne, Germany  
*Robert Wilson: Oedipus Rex: Nouveaux dessins*, Galerie Thaddeus Ropac, Paris, France  
*Le Festival de la Mode par Robert Wilson* [centennial installation], Galeries Lafayette, Paris, France  
*Time Rocker, Black Rider, Alice: Drawings and Sculpture*, Fotouhi Cramer Gallery, East Hampton, NY  
*Robert Wilson: Survey of Drawings 1973-1993*, Modernism, San Francisco, CA  
*Malady of Death*, Galerie Lehmann, Lausanne, Switzerland  
*Robert Wilson* [presentation of video and CD-Rom works], Salle Multi (Obscure Festival), Québec City, Canada
- 1995 *Erwartung : oeuvres sur papier*, Galerie Thaddeus Ropac, Paris, France  
*H. G.* [installation], music/sound environment by Hans Peter Kuhn, Clink Street Vaults, London, UK  
*Robert Wilson: The Rooms of Seven Women, und Zeichnungen zu den Neuinszenierungen Blaubart/Erwartung*, Karl-Böhmsall des Kleinen Festspielhauses, Salzburg, Austria  
*Robert Wilson*, Hiram Butler Gallery, Houston, TX  
*Dragons and Silk from the Forbidden City*, Joyce Ma Gallery, Paris, France  
*Die Zauberflöte*, Galerie Thaddeus Ropac, Salzburg, Austria
- 1994 *Robert Wilson: Der Mond Im Gras*, Galerie Biedermann, Munich, Germany  
*Alice*, Galeria Luis Serpa, Lisbon, Portugal  
*Three Rooms*, Akira Ikeda Gallery, New York, NY  
*Disegni di Gabellina*, drawing exhibition in conjunction with the Italian Cultural Institute, Paula Cooper Gallery, New York, NY
- 1993 *Robert Wilson: Deafman Glance: A Video Installation*, Paula Cooper Gallery, New York, NY  
*Photographs of Robert Wilson Productions in Germany*, Goethe House, New York, NY  
*Robert Wilson: Memorie della Terra Desolata*, exhibition in conjunction with the performance of T.S.E., Baglio delle Case di Stefano, Gibellina Nuova, Sicily, Italy  
*Robert Wilson: Monsters of Grace* [installation], Galerie Franck & Schulte, Berlin, Germany  
*Memory/Loss* [installation at the Biennale de Venezia], objects by Robert Wilson and Tadeusz Kantor, sound score by Hans Peter Kuhn, text by Heiner Müller, Granai delle Zitelle, Venice, Italy  
*Robert Wilson: A Portrait, Still Life, Landscape*, curated by Robert Wilson, Museum Boymans-van Beuningen, Rotterdam, the Netherlands  
*Draft Notes for a Conversation on Dante*, presentation of a lithograph book, Galerie van Rijsbergen, Rotterdam, the Netherlands  
*Drawings and Furniture from Orlando*, Galerie Patrick Roy, Lausanne, Switzerland

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- Robert Wilson*, Nathalie Beeckman Fine Arts, Brussels, Belgium  
*Robert Wilson: Furniture and Other Works*, Waco Creative Art Center, Waco, TX  
*Mediale'93* [installation], Deichtorhallen, Hamburg, Germany
- 1992 *Binnenalster Door* [installation], Hamburg Harbor, Hamburg, Germany  
*Robert Wilson: Works 1972 - 1992*, Produzentengalerie, Hamburg, Germany  
*Drawings from La Flute Enchantee*, Galerie Thaddaeus Ropac, Paris, France  
*Objects*, Produzentengalerie, Hamburg, Germany  
*Robert Wilson*, Hiram Butler Gallery, Houston, TX  
*Robert Wilson: Convidados de piedra*, Sala Goya, Círculo de Bellas Artes (Festival de Otoño), Madrid, Spain  
*Robert Wilson Drawings from Einstein on the Beach*, Kamakura Gallery, Tokyo, Japan  
*Robert Wilson Drawings from Don Juan Ultimo*, Gamarra y Garrigues, Madrid, Spain  
*Robert Wilson*, IVAM Centre del Carne, Valencia, Spain  
*Robert Wilson: Drawings for Alice in Wonderland*, Laura Carpenter Fine Art, Santa Fe, NM  
*Robert Wilson: Drawings*, Hiram Butler Gallery, Houston, TX  
*Robert Wilson Drawings from 'The White Raven'*, Paula Cooper Gallery, New York, NY
- 1991 *Robert Wilson Zeichnungen-Zyklen*, Galerie Fred Jahn, Munich, Germany  
*Robert Wilson: Mr. Bojangle's Memory of son of fire*, Centre Georges Pompidou, Paris, France  
*Robert Wilson: Lohengrin Drawings and Other Works*, Annemarie Verna Galerie, Zurich, Switzerland  
*Robert Wilson: Monuments*, Kestner-Gesellschaft, Hannover, Germany; traveled to Bayerische Akademie der Schönen Künste, Munich, Germany  
*Robert Wilson: Chairs for Marie and Pierre Curie, Sigmund Freud, Albert Einstein, A Table for Nijinski and Parzival Drawings*, Busche Galerie, Cologne, Germany  
*Robert Wilson: Drawings and Furniture*, John Berggruen Gallery, San Francisco, CA  
*Robert Wilson: Furniture & Drawings*, Gerald Peters Gallery, Dallas, TX  
*Drawings and Furniture*, Patrick Roy Gallery, Lausanne, France  
*Die windersame Welt des Robert Wilson* [video presentation of *Video 50, Deafman Glance*, and *Stations*], Kino Arsenal (Freunde der Deutschen Kinemathek e.V.), Berlin, Germany  
*Robert Wilson, Queen Victoria Chairs, Zeichnungen 1971-1990, Lithographische Zyklen*, Galerie Pels-Leusden, Berlin, Germany  
*Robert Wilson: Drawing & Sculpture*, Thomas Segal Gallery, Boston, MA  
*Robert Wilson: Die lithografischen Zyklen und Zeichnungen...*, Palais Stutterheim (Städtische Galerie), Erlangen, Germany  
*Robert Wilson's Vision*, music/sound environment by Hans Peter Kuhn, Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, MA; traveled to Contemporary Arts Museum Houston, TX; San Francisco Museum of Modern Art, San Francisco, CA  
*Robert Wilson: Sculpture, Furniture, Paintings, and Drawings*, Paula Cooper Gallery, New York, NY
- 1990 *Robert Wilson: Alceste Drawings and Furniture/Sculpture*, Feigen Incorporated, Chicago, IL  
*Robert Wilson: Drawings, Sculpture and Furniture, 'the CIVIL warS'*, Virginia Lynch Gallery, Tiverton, RI  
*King Lear*, Kunsthalle Shirn, Frankfurt, Germany  
*Robert Wilson: Choreographie des Designs, Ambiente, Interior Design And...* (AIDA), Hamburg, Germany

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- 1989 *Swan Song*, Galerie Fred Jahn, Munich, Germany  
*Robert Wilson: Orlando: 22 Drawings and Furniture*, Annemarie Verna Galerie, Zürich, Switzerland  
*Robert Wilson: La Nuit d'Avant le Jour*, Yvon Lambert, Paris, France  
*Erinnerung an eine Revolution* [installation], Kunst-Buffet Basel Badischer Bahnhof (Galerie Fabian Walter), Basel, Switzerland  
*Drawings for the Opera 'De Materie' by Louis Andriesen*, Stedelijk Museum, Amsterdam, the Netherlands  
*Robert Wilson works, 1968-1989*, Scuola d'Arte Drammatica, Milan, Italy  
*Robert Wilson: Zeichnungen und Druckgrafik*, Galerie Lüpke, Frankfurt, Germany  
*Robert Wilson: Die lithographischen Zyklen 1984-1986*, Museum Morsbroich, Leverkusen, Germany
- 1988 *Dreams and Images: The Theatre of Robert Wilson*, Rare Book and Manuscript Library, Butler Library, Columbia University, New York, NY  
*Drawings*, Marlene Eleini Gallery, London, UK  
*Robert Wilson: Die lithographic Zyklen, 1984 - 1986: Medea, Parsifal, Alceste*, Galerie Fred Jahn, Munich, Germany  
*Cosmopolitan Greetings*, Galerie Harald Behm, Hamburg, Germany
- 1987 *Robert Wilson: Lithographic Series 1984 - 1986: Medea, Parsifal, Alceste*, Galerie Fred Jahn, Munich/Galerie im Theater der Stadt, Gutersloh, Germany  
*Robert Wilson: 'Parzival,'* Galerie Harald Behm, Hamburg, Germany  
*Drawings*, Galerie Biedermann, Munich, Germany  
*Drawings, Furniture, and Props for Alceste, Alcestis, the CIVIL warS, Death Destruction and Detroit II, Hamletmachine, and Salome*, Paula Cooper Gallery, New York, NY; traveled to Aldrich Museum of Contemporary Art, Ridgefield, CT
- 1986 *Robert Wilson: Drawings*, University of Iowa Museum of Art, Iowa City, IA  
*Robert Wilson: Drawings for the Knee Plays*, Kimo Gallery, Albuquerque, NM  
*Drawings for Hamletmachine*, Theater in der Kunsthalle, Hamburg, Germany  
*Robert Wilson: Drawings for the Stage*, Laguna Gloria Art Museum, Austin, TX  
*Drawings for Hamletmachine*, Grey Art Gallery, New York University, New York, NY  
*Drawings for the CIVIL warS*, Hewlett Gallery, Carnegie-Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA  
*Robert Wilson: Transmutation of Archetypes: Medea & Parsifal*, Lehman College Art Gallery, City University of New York, New York, NY; traveled to Hewlett Gallery, Carnegie-Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA; Kuhlenschmidt Gallery, Los Angeles, LA  
*Robert Wilson: The Complete 'Parsifal' Portfolio: Drawings for Theatre Pieces*, The Alpha Gallery, Boston, MA  
*Drawings for Alceste and Alcestis*, Harcus Gallery, Boston, MA  
*Drawings for the CIVIL warS*, Rhona Hoffman Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 1985 *Parsifal Lithographs*, Galerie Fred Jahn/De Kammerspiele, Munich, Germany  
*Robert Wilson: Medea e Parsifal: Disegni, Incisioni, Video*, Galeria Franca Mancini (Rossini Opera Festival), Pesaro, Italy; traveled to Institute of Contemporary Art, Boston, MA
- 1984 *Robert Wilson: Drawings*, Paula Cooper Gallery, New York, NY  
*Robert Wilson's the CIVIL warS: a tree is best measured when it is down: Drawings, Models, and World Wide Documentation*, The Otis Art Institute/Parsons School of Design, Los Angeles; traveled to Jones-Troyer Gallery, Washington, D.C.



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- Walker Art Center, Minneapolis, MN  
Museo di Folklore, Rome, Italy  
*Robert Wilson: Dessins Pour Trois Operas: Medea 1981, Great Day in the Morning 1982, Civil Wars 1984*, ARCA (Centre d'Art Contemporain), Marseille, France  
*Robert Wilson: Zeichnungen und Skulpturen*Kölnischer Kunstverein, Cologne, Germany
- 1983 *Robert Wilson: Dessins pour 'the CIVIL warS'*, Pavilion des Arts, Paris, France  
*Robert Wilson: 'Civil Wars'*, Galerie Brinkman, Amsterdam, the Netherlands  
Museum Boymans-van Beuningen, Rotterdam, the Netherlands  
Raum für Kunst, Produzentengalerie, Hamburg, Germany  
Festival Mondial du Theatre, Nancy, France  
*Robert Wilson: Drawings*, Gallery Ueda, Tokyo, Japan  
Sogetsu School, Tokyo, Japan  
*Drawings from the CIVIL warS*, Castelli Feigen Corcoran Gallery, New York, NY  
*Works by Robert Wilson*, Museum of Art, Rhode Island School of Design, Providence, RI
- 1982 *Drawings for The Golden Windows*, Marian Goodman Gallery, New York, NY  
*Robert Wilson: dessins pour 'Medea'/'Great Day in the Morning'*, Galerie le Dessin, Paris, France  
*Robert Wilson: The Golden Windows/Die Goldenen Fenster: Diw Zeichnungen*, Galerie Annemarie Verna, Zurich, Switzerland  
*Robert Wilson: Die Goldenen Fenster: Zeichnungen*, Galerie im Lenbachhaus/Galerie Fred Jahn, Munich, Germany  
Franz Morat Institute, Freiburg, Germany
- 1980 *Robert Wilson: From a Theater of Images*, The Contemporary Arts Center, Cincinnati, OH; traveled to the Neuberger Museum, State University of New York at Purchase, NY
- 1979 Marian Goodman Gallery, New York, NY  
Skulima Gallery, Berlin, Germany  
Galerie Zwirner, Cologne, Germany  
Paula Cooper Gallery, New York, NY
- 1978 *Robert Wilson Sculpture*, Galerie Folker Skulima, Berlin, Germany
- 1977 Paula Cooper Gallery, New York, NY  
*Robert Wilson: Furniture, Multiples*/Marian Goodman Gallery, New York, NY
- 1976 *Robert Wilson: Sculptures & Drawings*, Iolas Gallery-Brooks Jackson, Inc., New York, NY  
*Drawings for Einstein on the Beach*, Paula Cooper Gallery, New York, NY
- 1975 Galerie Wunsche, Bonn, Germany
- 1974 *Robert Wilson: Dessin et Sculptures*, Musee Galiera, Paris, France
- 1971 Willard Gallery, New York, NY
- 1967 *Poles*, Loveland, OH

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## GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2023 *Inter/sections*, ZACentrale, Palermo, Italy
- 2021 *How to Disappear*, Collection Lambert en Avignon, Avignon, France
- 2019 *Luogo e Segni*, curated by Martin Bethenod, Punta della Dogana, Venice, Italy
- 2018 *Le Violon d'Ingres*, Villa Medici, Rome, Italy
- 2017 *The Raft. Art is (not) Lonely*, Mu.ZEE, Oostende, Belgium
- 2016 *Musicircus. Masterpieces from the Centre Pompidou Collection*, Centre Pompidou-Metz, Paris, France
- 2012 *Einstein on the Beach: Robert Wilson, Philip Glass, Lucinda Childs, Christopher Knowles, Andrew de Groat*, Paula Cooper Gallery, New York, NY  
*Robert Wilson/Philip Glass: Einstein on the Beach*, The Morgan Library & Museum, New York, NY
- 2011 *Elemental*, Paula Cooper Gallery, New York, NY
- 2010 *Josef Svoboda- Robert Wilson*, Museum Kampa, Prague, Czech Republic  
*Scene – Quadro. Caporossi, Kantor, Santasangre, Wilson*, La Nuova Pesa Centre for Contemporary Art, Rome, Italy
- 2009 *The Third Mind; American Artists Contemplate Asia, 1860-1989*, Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum, New York, NY
- 2008 *Multi-Part Art: Contemporary Works from the Collection*, Museum of Art Rhode Island, Providence, RI
- 2004 *Design≠Art: Functional Objects from Donald Judd to Rachel Whiteread*, Cooper-Hewitt National Design Museum, New York, NY  
*horizont(e) 1984-2004*, 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary exhibition, Galeria Luis Serpa, Lisbon, Portugal
- 2002 *Show People, Downtown Directors and the Play of Time*, Exit Art, New York, NY  
*Accrochage 03/02 [Reservas]\_Papel/Paper*, Galeria Luis Serpa Projectos, Lisbon, Portugal  
*The Quiet in the Land: Art in Everyday Life*, Parrish Art Museum, Southampton, NY
- 2001 *The Inward Eye: Transcendence in Contemporary Art*, Contemporary Arts Museum, Houston, TX  
*POEtry*, Next Wave Festival, Brooklyn, NY  
*Beautiful Productions; art to play, art to wear, art to own*, Whitechapel Art Gallery, London, UK
- 2000 *1989*, Curt Marcus Gallery, New York, NY  
*Robert Wilson on Video*, Location One, New York, NY  
*Virginia Lynch, A Curatorial Retrospective*, Rhode Island Foundation, RISD, Providence, RI  
*The Perpetual Well: Contemporary Art from the Collection of the Jewish Museum*, The Parrish Art Museum, Southampton, NY

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- Wanås 2000*, The Wanås Foundation, Knislinge, Sweden  
*Chairs by the great for kids*, Salone Internazionale della Sedia, Udine, Italy  
*Acchrochage / Summer group show: works on paper*, The Norwood Gallery, Austin, TX  
*Soft White: Lighting Designs by Artists*, University Gallery, University of Massachusetts at Amherst, Amherst, MA  
*World stage design*, York Quay Gallery, Harbourfront Centre, Toronto, Canada
- 1999 *1999 Drawings*, Alexander and Bonin, New York, NY  
*Liebe, Blut und Pappmaché: Das Kabinett der Theaterrequisiten*, Museum Bellerive, Zürich, Switzerland  
*Head to Toe: Impressing the Body*, University Gallery, Fine Arts Center, University of Massachusetts at Amherst, Amherst, MA  
*Artists on line for ACOR*, Gagosian Gallery, New York, NY  
*Visual artists salute Harvey Lichtenstein*, Feigen Contemporary, New York, NY  
*Comfort zone: furniture by artists*, Paine Webber Art Gallery, New York, NY  
*The world of design: Prague Quadrennial 1999*, Prague, Czech Republic  
*A/D: A Decade*, A/D Gallery, New York, NY
- 1998 *L'immagine leggera: Palermo International Videoart Festival*, Palermo, Italy  
*Countenance - Face, Head and Portrait in Contemporary Art*, Galerie Thaddeus Ropac, Salzburg, Austria  
*Amerikanische Zeichnungen*, Galerie Tony Wuethrich, Basel, Switzerland  
*Rund um Brecht: Portraits, Theaterbilder, Illustrationen*, Galerie Pels-Leusden, Berlin, Germany  
*Sculptors and Their Environments*, Pratt Manhattan Gallery, New York, NY; traveled to Schafler Gallery, Pratt Institute, New York, NY
- 1997 *Notable Notes : drawings by writers and composers*, Joseph Helman Gallery, New York, NY  
*Malerzeichnungen*, Bayrische Akademie der Schönen Künste, Munich, Germany  
*Tableaux*, Contemporary Arts Museum, Houston, TX  
*Love Hotel : a National Gallery of Australia Travelling Exhibition*, Tour of five galleries in Australia  
*Finders / Keepers*, Contemporary Arts Museum, Houston, TX  
*Feminine Image*, Nassau County Museum of Art, Roslyn Harbor, NY  
*1997 Biennial Exhibition*, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, NY  
*Sit on This: The Chair As Art*, The Palm Beach County Museum of Contemporary Art, Palm Beach, FL  
*Graphit Auf Papier*, Galerie Thomas Von Lintel, Munich, Germany
- 1996 *The Chair Event*, The Metropolitan Pavilion, New York, NY  
*From Figure to Object: A Century of Sculptor's Drawings*, Karsten Shubert Gallery, London, UK  
*Puppets and Performing Objects in the 20th*, New York, NY Public Library for the Performing Arts, New York, NY  
*Link*, Gerald Peters Gallery, Dallas, TX  
*Black Grey & White*, Düsseldorf, Galerie Bugdahn und Kaimer, Germany  
*Contemporary Artists Explore: The Book As Art*, Robert McClain and Co., Houston, TX
- 1995 *Prints: To Benefit the Foundation for Contemporary Performance Arts*, Brooke Alexander, New York, NY  
*Creative Arts Workshops for Kids* [mural, with contribution by Robert Wilson], New York, NY

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- Un Cuore Per Amico*, Triennale de Milano, Milan, Italy
- Féminin/Masculin (le sexe de l'art)*, screening of Video 50, Centre Georges Pompidou, Grande Galerie, Paris, France
- Breaking the Frame*, The Drawing Legion, Cedar Rapids, IA
- Alice*, Brooklyn Academy of Music, Brooklyn Opera House, Brooklyn, NY
- H.G.*, an installation by Hans Peter Kuhn and Robert Wilson, designed by Michael Howells, produced by Artangel, Clink Street Vaults, London, UK
- Die Muse?*, Galerie Thaddaeus Ropac, New York, NY
- Bloom*, Christine Rose Gallery, New York, NY
- The Art Show: Art Dealers Association of America* [Paula Cooper Gallery section], Seventh Regiment Armory, New York, NY
- 1994 *Holiday Exhibition*, Paula Cooper Gallery, New York, NY
- Paints, Props, & Process*, The Castle Gallery, College of New Rochelle, NY
- Hamburg Leuchttower Gemeinsam Für AIDS-Hilfe*, Südliche Deichtorhallen, Hamburg, Germany
- Festival International des Jardins* [garden design by Robert Wilson], Chaumont-sur-Loire, France
- Drawing in the 70s*, Brooke Alexander Gallery, New York, NY
- Selected Works on Paper*, Modernism, San Francisco, CA
- Outside the Frame: Performance and the Object, A Survey History of Performance Art in the USA Since 1950*, Cleveland Center for Contemporary Art, Cleveland, OH; Snug Harbor Cultural Center, New York, NY
- 1993 *Magazin im Magazin: eine Ausstellung des Vorarlberger Kunstvereins - Magazin 4*, Vorarlberger Kunstverein, Bregenz, Austria; traveled to Architektur Zentrum, Vienna, Austria
- The Teaching Tradition: A Sixtieth Anniversary Exhibition*, New Jersey Center for the Visual Arts, Summit, NJ
- Robert Wilson-Aaron Siskind*, Virginia Lynch Gallery, RI
- Memorie della terra desolata*, Gibellina, Sicily, Italy
- Inaugural Exhibition*, Fire House Gallery of Fine Arts, AZ
- Seeing the Forest Through the Trees*, Contemporary Arts Museum, Houston, TX
- Memory/Loss*, Venice Biennale, 45th International Art Exhibition, Venice, Italy
- Drawing the line against AIDS*, Peggy Guggenheim Collection (AMFAR, Venice Biennale), Venice, Italy
- Historia Tragico-Maritima*, Galeria Valentim de Carvalho, Lisboa, Portugal
- Exploring Scale in Contemporary Art*, Laguna Gloria Art Museum
- 'I Am The Enunciator'*, Thread Waxing Space, New York, NY
- 1992 The San Francisco Museum of Modern Art Auction, Neiman Marcus, Union Square, San Francisco, CA
- Beyond Just Words: 1*, Modernism, San Francisco, CA
- Summer Drawing Show*, Galerie Fred Jahn, Stuttgart, Germany
- Six Operas: Six Artists*, Marion Koogler McNay Art Museum, San Antonio, TX
- Contemporary Masterworks*, Feigen, Inc., Chicago, IL
- 10th World Wide Video Festival*, Kijkhuis, The Hague, the Netherlands
- The Exploding Valentine: A Weekend of Video Romance and Revolt*, The Kitchen, New York, NY
- Drawings for the Stage*, Stephen Solovy Fine Art, Chicago, IL
- 1991 *Act Up Benefit Exhibition*, Matthew Marks, New York, NY
- Art of Our Time – 1991*, Temple Emanuel, Woodcliff Lake, NJ

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- The Chair: From Artifact to Object*, Weatherspoon Art Gallery, University of North Carolina, Greensboro, NC
- Among Friends: Contemporary Works on Paper from a Collection formed by Ingeborg and Jan van der Marck*, Muskegon Museum of Art, MI; traveled to Kalamazoo Institute of Arts, MI; The Michael and Barbara Denno's Museum Center at Northwestern Michigan College, Traverse City, MI; Kresge Art Museum, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI; Lee Hall Gallery, Northern Michigan University, Marquette, MI; The Detroit Institute of the Art, MI
- Mara Eggert: Magische Augenblicke: Inszenierungen von Ruth Berghaus und Robert Wilson*, Deutsches Theatermuseum, Munich, Germany
- Sélection: Œuvres de la collection*, FAE Musée d'Art Contemporain, Pully/Lausanne, Switzerland
- The Artist's Hand: Drawings from the BankAmerica Corporation Art Collection*, San Diego Museum of Contemporary Art, La Jolla, CA
- Interactions*, Institute of Contemporary Art, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA
- Big Motion in Video*, Medienwerkstatt, Vienna (Internationales Videotheater), Austria
- Danses Tracées*, Centre de la Vieille Charité, Musée de Marseille, France; traveled to Palais des Beaux-Arts de Charleroi, France; Centre d'art Le Consortium, Dijon, France; Bibliothèque Musée de L'Opéra Paris, France
- 1990 *Bienal de la imagen en Movimiento '90*, Museo Nacional, Centro de Arte Reina Sofia, Madrid, Spain
- Festival du Film d'Art*, Paris, France
- Act Up Auction For Action*, Paula Cooper Gallery, New York, NY
- Passage de L'image*, Musée National d'Art Moderne, Centre Georges Pompidou, Paris, France; traveled to Fundacio Caixa de Pensions, Barcelona, Spain; Power Plant, Toronto, Canada; Wexner Art Center, Columbus, OH; Modern Art Museum, San Francisco, CA
- Second Harvest: Artists' Tribute to Paul Baker*, The Art Center, Waco, TX
- The Kitchen Art Benefit*, Curt Marcus Gallery, Castelli Graphics, New York, NY
- Art Against AIDS*, 406 Seventh Street, N.W., Washington, D.C.
- Modèles Déposés - 1. C.A.U.E.*, Limoges, France, (4/20 - 5/26/90)
- Trisha Brown Company Benefit Art Sale*, Paula Cooper Gallery, New York, NY
- Energies*, Stedelijk Museum, Amsterdam, the Netherlands
- Black Rider: Robert Wilson/William S. Burroughs*, XPO Galerie, Hamburg, Germany
- Video Art*, University of Rhode Island, Kingston, RI
- Video and Dream*, Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY
- Festival International du Film sur l'Art*, Montréal, Canada
- International Video Festival*, Saint-Herbin, France
- 1989 *Artists' Furniture*, The Marcus Gallery, Boston, MA
- Festival de Video Art Plastique*, Herouville St. Clair, France
- Biennale Festival of Cinema Art*, Barcelona, Spain
- Bienal Internacional de São Paulo*, São Paulo, Brazil
- La Rose des Vents: Soirée Bob Wilson*, Café du Théâtre, Centre d'Action culturelle, Villeneuve d'Ascq, France
- Festival de Programmes Audiovisuels*, Cannes, France
- Festivalkrant: World Wide Video Festival*, Kijkhuis, The Hague, the Netherlands
- Guest Artist in Printmaking*, College of Fine Arts, University of Texas, Austin, TX
- 25 Jahre Video-Skulptur. Kongresshalle*, Berlin, Germany
- Parachute Magazine Benefit*, Galerie René Blouin, Montréal, Canada

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- The Arts for Television*, Contemporary Arts Museum, Houston, TX; co-organized by the Stedlikj Museum, Amsterdam, and the Museum of Contemporary Art, Los Angeles  
*Artist/Designer: Opening Exhibition*, Artist/Designer, New York, NY  
*Works on Paper*, Paula Cooper Gallery, New York, NY
- 1988 *Zeichenkunst der Gegenwart: Sammlung Prinz Franz von Bayern*, Staatliche Graphische Sammlung, Munich, Germany  
*The Quality of the Line*, The Forum, St. Louis, MO  
*Furniture As Art*, Museum Boymans-van Beuningen, Rotterdam, the Netherlands  
*New Art On Paper*, The Philadelphia Museum, Philadelphia, PA  
*Focus on the Collection: Painting and Sculpture from the 1970s and 1980s*, Neberger Museum, State University at Purchase, Purchase, NY
- 1987 *Sculptors on Paper: New Work*, Madison Art Center, WI; traveled to Institute of Arts, Kalamazoo, MI; Pittsburgh Center for the Arts, PA; Sheldon Memorial Art Gallery, University of Nebraska, Lincoln, NE  
*Lead*, Hirschl & Adler Modern, New York, NY  
*Ross Bleckner/Michael Byron/Roy Lerner/Barry Le Va/Will Mentor/Deborah Remington/Gary Stephan/Keung Szeto/Gilbert & George: Pictures/Robert Wilson: Drawings*, Aldrich Museum of Contemporary Art, Ridgefield, CT  
*Aarhus Videofestival '87*, Aarhus, Denmark  
*The Arts for Television*, co-organized by the Stedlikj Museum, Amsterdam, and the Museum of Contemporary Art, Los Angeles; traveled to the Institute of Contemporary Art, Boston, MA  
*Art Against AIDS: A Benefit Exhibition*, Paula Cooper Gallery, New York, NY  
*L'Epoque, La Mode, La Morale, La Passion: Aspects de l'Art d'Aujourd'hui 1977-1987*, Centre Georges Pompidou, Paris, France  
*Resolution: A Critique of Video Art*, Los Angeles Contemporary Exhibitions, Los Angeles, LA  
*The Painter and the Theater in the 20th Century*, Shirn Kunstahalle, Frankfurt, Germany
- 1986 *Benefit for the Kitchen*, Brooke Alexander, New York, NY  
*Art on Paper Exhibition*, Weatherspoon Art Gallery, The University of North Carolina at Greensboro, NC  
*70s into 80s: Printmaking Now*, The Lois and Michael Torf Gallery, Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, MA  
*Works from the Paula Cooper Gallery*, John Berggruen Gallery, San Francisco, CA  
*Mill Valley Film Festival*, Sequoia Theatre, Mill Valley, CA  
*Summer Group Exhibition*, Paula Cooper Gallery, New York, NY  
*Resolution: A Critique of Video Art*, Los Angeles Museum of Contemporary Art, Los Angeles, CA  
*Sculpture*, Procter Art Center, Bard College, Annandale-on-Hudson, NY  
*The Painter and The Theater in the 20th Century*, Schirn Kunsthalle, Frankfurt, Germany  
*Public and Private: American Prints Today: The 24th National Print Exhibition*, The Brooklyn Museum, New York, NY; traveled to the Flint Institute of Arts, Flint, MI; Rhode Island School of Design, Providence, RI; Museum of Art, Carnegie Institute, Pittsburgh, PA; Walker Art Center, Minneapolis, MN  
*Abstraction*, Greathouse Gallery, New York, NY
- 1985 *Big Drawings*, The Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY  
*Works on Paper*, Joe Fawbush Editions, New York, NY  
*The New Figure*, Birmingham Museum of Art, AL

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- Contemporary American Prints: Recent Acquisitions*, The Brooklyn Museum, New York, NY
- High Style*, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, NY
- Spatial Relationships in Video*, The Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY
- New Works on Paper 3*, The Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY
- Ed Grazda and Douglas Sandhage: Photographs of Robert Wilson's 'Deafman Glance,'*  
BAM 1971, Dance Theater Workshop, New York, NY
- Cinquante ans de dessins américains, 1930-1980*, Ecole des Beux-Arts, Paris, France;  
retitled *Amerikanische Zeichnungen*, Städtische Galerie im Städtelschen  
Kunstinstitut, Frankfurt, Germany
- Large Drawings*, organized by Independent Curators, Inc., NY; traveled to Bass Museum  
of Art, Miami Beach, FL; Winnipeg Art Gallery, Manitoba, Canada; Norman  
MacKenzie Art Gallery, University of Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada; Anchorage  
Historical and Fine Arts Museum, Anchorage, AK; Santa Barbara Museum of Art,  
Santa Barbara, CA; Madison Art Center, Madison, WI
- Aids Benefit Exhibition: A Selection of Works on Paper*, Daniel Weinberg Gallery, Los  
Angeles, CA
- 1984 *Highlights: Selections from the BankAmerica Corporation Art Collection*, A.P. Giannini  
Gallery, San Francisco, CA
- Familiar Forms/Unfamiliar Furniture*, First Street Forum, St. Louis, MO
- An International Survey of Contemporary Painting and Sculpture*, The Museum of  
Modern Art, New York, NY
- Festival Nacional de Video*, Círculo de Bellas Artes de Madrid, Spain
- 1983 *The Permanent Collection: Highlights and Recent Acquisitions*, Grey Art Gallery, New  
York University, New York, NY
- Designing for Opera*, Grolier Club, New York, NY
- Der Hang zum Gesamtkunstwerk*, Kunsthau Zurich, Switzerland; traveled to Stadtische  
Kunsthalle, Dusseldorf, Germany; Museum Moderne Kunst, Vienna, Austria;  
Grosse Orangerie, Castle of Charlottenburg, Berlin, Germany
- Art and Dance: Images from the Modern Dialogue, 1890-1980*, Neuberger Museum,  
State University of New York at Purchase, NY
- 1982 *American Drawings of the Seventies*, Louisiana Museum of Modern Art, Humlebaek,  
Denmark; traveled to Kunsthalle Basel, Switzerland; Lenbachhaus Museum,  
Munich, Germany; Wilhelm-Hack Museum, Ludwigshafen, Germany
- The Next Wave Artists*, Brooklyn Academy of Music at Paula Cooper  
Gallery, New York, NY
- 1981 *Other Realities: Installations for Performance*, Contemporary Arts Museum, Houston, TX
- Whitney Biennial*, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, NY
- Artifacts at the End of a Decade*, Travelling exhibit sponsored by the Gallery Association  
of New York, including exhibit at the Frankfurter Kunstverein, Frankfurt, Germany
- 1980 *Further Furniture*, Marian Goodman Gallery, New York, NY
- Drawings: the Pluralist Decade*, Institute of Contemporary Art, University of Pennsylvania,  
Philadelphia, PA
- 1975 Paula Cooper Gallery, New York, NY
- 1974 Galeria Salvatore Ala, Milan, Italy

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