

LOUIS K. MEISEL GALLERY

ROBERT GNIEWEK

Biography

BORN

1951 Detroit, MI

EDUCATION

1979 Wayne State University, Detroit, MI; M.A.

1973 Wayne State University, Detroit, MI; B.F.A.

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2014 *Mug Shot: Portraits of Evil*, Bernarducci Meisel Gallery, New York, NY, Dec. 5, 2014 – Jan. 31, 2015

2010 *Recent Paintings*, Bernarducci Meisel Gallery, New York, NY, Nov. 20, 2010 – Jan. 8, 2011

2004 *Recent Works*, Lemberg Gallery, Ferndale, MI, Oct. 30 – Dec. 11

2003 *New Paintings*, Louis K. Gallery, New York, NY, Dec. 6, 2003 – Jan. 10, 2004

2001 *Mid 20th Century Roadside Culture*, Louis K. Meisel Gallery, New York, NY, Apr. 7-28

2000 *American Roadside Culture*, Van de Griff Gallery, Santa Fe, NM, Sept. 29 – Oct. 19

1999 Louis K. Meisel Gallery, New York, NY

Detroit Theaters Past & Present: Recent Paintings, David Klein Gallery, Birmingham, MI, Nov. 6-27

1997 Louis K. Meisel Gallery, New York, NY, Nov. 1-29

1996 David Klein Gallery, Birmingham, MI.

1994 Louis K. Meisel Gallery, New York, NY, Oct. 8-29

1993 O.K. Harris/David Klein Gallery, Birmingham, MI, Dec. 2, 1993 – Jan. 29, 1994

Helander Gallery, Palm Beach, FL

1992 Louis K. Meisel Gallery, New York, NY, Dec. 5-23, 1992 & Jan. 5-16, 1993

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- 1990 *Nocturnal Urban Landscapes*, Helander Gallery, New York, NY, Apr. 13 – May. 10
- 1989 *Nocturnal Landscapes*, Helander Gallery, Palm Beach, FL, Dec. 8, 1989 – Jan. 5, 1990
- 1987 *Nocturnal Images*, Helander Gallery, Palm Beach, FL, Mar. 12 – Apr. 7
- 1986 Robert Kidd Gallery, Birmingham, MI, Nov. 7 – Dec. 6
- 1984 *Photo Realist Cityscapes*, O.K. Harris West, Scottsdale, AZ, Feb. 24 – Mar. 24
- 1982 Semaphore Gallery, New York, NY, Oct. 5-30
- 1981 *Photo Realist Cityscapes*, O.K. Harris West, Scottsdale, AZ, May. 4-30
- 1979 *Urbanscapes – Detroit*, Lee Hoffman Gallery, Birmingham, MI, May 16 – June 16

GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2013 *Photorealism Revisited*, traveling exhibition: Oklahoma City Museum of Art, Oklahoma City, OK, January 24 – April 21; Butler Institute of Art, Youngstown, OH, June 1 – September 30
- Photorealism – Street View*, Scott Richards Contemporary Art, San Francisco, CA, Mar. 5 – Mar. 30
- Car Culture: Art and the Automobile*, Heckscher Museum of Art, Huntington, NY, Apr. 27 – Aug. 11
- Summer Sights*, Bernarducci Meisel Gallery, New York, NY, Jun. 6 – Jul. 20
- 2012-17 *Photorealism: 50 Years of Hyperrealistic Painting*, traveling exhibition: Kunsthalle Tübingen, Tübingen, Germany, December 8, 2012 – March 10, 2013; Museo Thyssen-Bornemisza, Madrid, Spain, March 21 – June 9, 2013; Saarland Museum, Saarbrücken, Germany, July 30 – October 13, 2013; Birmingham Museum & Art Gallery, Birmingham, United Kingdom, November 30, 2013 - March 30, 2014; Museo de Bellas Artes de Bilbao, Bilbao, Spain, October 7, 2014 – January 19, 2015; Kumu Art Museum of Estonia Tallinn, Estonia – Mar. 17 – Jun. 12, 2016; Musée d'Ixelles Brüssel, Belgium, Jun. 29 – Sep. 25, 2016; Osthaus Museum Hagen, Germany – Oct. 15, 2016 – Jan. 8, 2017.
- Au-delà Du Réel = Beyond Realism*, Galerie De Bellafeuille, Montreal, Canada, Sept. 8 – Oct. 2

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- 2011 *Our Own Directions: The Louis K. & Susan P. Meisel Collection*, Eileen S. Kaminsky Family Foundation at MANA Art Center, Jersey City, NJ, September 18, 2011 – January 2012
- Signs*, Louis K. Meisel Gallery, New York, NY – Feb. 10 – Mar. 10
- The New York Project: Paintings of the City by Artists from Around the World*, Bernarducci Meisel Gallery, New York, NY, Sept. 15 – Oct. 29
- 2010 *Expansion*, Bernarducci Meisel Gallery, New York, NY Sept. 30 – Nov. 13
- Hyperréalisme*, Galerie Rive Gauche – Marcel Strouk, Paris, France, Oct. 26 – Nov. 13
- 2009 *40 Years: Anniversary of the Louis K. Meisel Gallery*, Louis K. Meisel Gallery & Bernarducci Meisel Gallery, New York, NY, November 1 – December 20
- American Dream*, National Museum in Kraków, Poland, July 2-October 4
- Photorealism: A Closer Look*, Scott Richards Contemporary Art, San Francisco, Mar. 31 – May. 30
- New Photo-Realism Painting in the Digital Age*, Arthur M. Berger Gallery, Manhattanville College, Purchase, NY, Nov. 11 – Dec. 11
- The City: Day & Night*, Louis K. Meisel Gallery, New York, NY, Apr. 4 – Jul. 17
- 2008 *Shock of the Real – Photorealism Revisited*, Boca Raton Museum of Art, Boca Raton, FL, Dec. 16, 2008 – Mar. 11, 2009
- Peter Maier and Recent Acquisitions*, Louis K. Meisel Gallery, New York, NY, Sept. 3 – Oct. 25
- 2007 *Realism Today*, Plus One Gallery, London, England, Apr. 25 – Jun. 2
- 2006 *Big Urban Landscapes*, Louis K. Meisel Gallery, New York, NY, Apr. 29 – Jul. 21
- Photorealism: Cultural Icons*, Jonathan Novak Contemporary Art, Los Angeles, CA, Dec. 5, 2006 – Jan. 13, 2007
- 2005 *Photorealism, Then and Now*, Elaine Baker Gallery, Boca Raton – Dec. 8 – Jan. 9, 2006
- 2004 *Some Photorealism*, Louis K. Meisel Gallery, New York, NY, May 8 - 27
- The New Photorealists*, Louis K. Meisel Gallery, New York, NY, Jan. 17 – Feb. 7

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New American Realism and Photorealism, Anthony Brunelli Fine Arts, Binghamton, NY, Nov. 5-27

- 2003 *Kaleidoscapes*, Savannah College of Art and Design, Savannah, GA, Mar. 28 – May 19
- Iperrealisti*, Chiostro del Bramante, Rome, Italy, April 5 – June 29
- 2002 *Photorealism at the Millennium: Vintage Photorealists*, Bernarducci.Meisel.Gallery, New York, NY, October 3-26
- REAL(ist) Men*, Selby Gallery, Ringling School of Art and Design, Sarasota, FL, Jan. 11 – Feb. 16
- Urban Landscapes*, Louis K. Meisel Gallery, New York, NY, March 2-23
- Culture Shock*, Savannah College of Art and Design, Savannah, GA – Nov. 20, 2002 – Feb. 3, 2003
- 2001 *This is America: American Photorealists*, Aarhus Kunstmuseum, Aarhus, Denmark, September 1 - November 25
- Near and Far*, Louis K. Meisel Gallery, New York, NY
- 2000 *The Photorealists*, Center For the Arts, Vero Beach, FL, July 22 - September 10
- Real Illusions*, Van de Griff Gallery, Santa Fe, NM
- 1999 *Outward Bound: American Art at the Brink of the Twenty-First Century*, Meridian International Center, Washington, DC; travelling to: Museum of Fine Arts, Hanoi, Vietnam; Museum of Fine Arts, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam; Painting Institute, Shanghai, China; Working People's Cultural Palace, Beijing, China; Singapore Museum of Art, Singapore; CIPTA Gallery, Jakarta Arts Center, Jakarta, Indonesia
- Realism Knows No Bounds*, Van De Griff Gallery, Santa Fe, NM, Jul. 2-30
- See the U.S.A.*, National Building Museum, Washington, DC, Nov. 18, 1999 –May. 7, 2000
- Photorealism – The Next Generation*, Louis K. Meisel Gallery, New York, NY, Nov. 6-27
- Louis K. Meisel Gallery, New York, NY, June.
- Louis K. Meisel Gallery, New York, NY, Apr. 3-24
- 1998 *Realism 98*, Amarillo Museum of Fine Arts, Amarillo, TX
- Louis K. Meisel Gallery, New York, NY, Oct. 10-31

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- Photorealism*, Jaffe Baker Gallery, Boca Raton, FL – Feb. 12 – Mar. 7
- 1997 *The New Photorealists*, Louis K. Meisel Gallery, New York, NY, Dec. 6-20, 1997 & Jan. 3-24, 1998
- Realism Knows No Bounds*, Van de Griff Gallery, Santa Fe, NM
- Hot Time*, Louis K. Meisel Gallery, New York, NY, Jun. 7 – Jul. 16
- Ambient Luminosity*, Detroit Artists Market, Detroit, MI
- 1996 *Twentieth Anniversary Exhibition*, Robert Kidd Gallery, Birmingham, MI
- Realism-Photorealism*, Margulies/Taplin Gallery, Coral Gables, FL
- Realism '96*, Van de Griff Gallery, Santa Fe, NM, Oct. 18 – Nov. 15
- 1994 *Realism in Our Time*, Broden Gallery Ltd., Madison, WI – Apr. 22 – May. 20
- 1993 *Photorealism Since 1980*, Louis K. Meisel Gallery, New York, NY – Apr. 23 – Jun. 24
- Arts Midwest Fellowship Recipients*, MCA Gallery, Detroit, MI
- 1992 *Fun & Games*, Louis K. Meisel Gallery, New York, NY – Sept. 12 – Oct. 3
- Photorealism for Nashville Collections*, Fine Arts Center, Cheekwood, Nashville, TN – Jun. 13-21
- New York: City by Day / City by Night III*, Gallery Henoch, New York, NY – Feb. 11 – Mar. 7
- 1991 *Gallery Group*, Louis K. Meisel Gallery, New York, NY, Summer
- Get Real*, North Miami Center of Contemporary Art, FL, Nov. 21 – Dec. 28
- 1990 *New York at Night*, Helander Gallery, New York, NY, Jan. 6-30
- 1989 *Gallery Group Show*, Helander Gallery, New York, NY, March
- Gallery Group Show*, Robert Kidd Gallery, Birmingham, MI, Summer
- 1988 *Four Painters*, Henry Ford Community College, Dearborn, MI, March
- 1987 *Gallery Group Show*, Helander Gallery, Palm Beach, FL
- Mainstream America – The Collection of Phil Desind*, The Butler Institute of American Art, Youngstown, OH, Mar. 1 – Apr. 5

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- 1986 *Views Across America*, Organized by the Museum of Modern Art, Loaned to Pfizer Inc., New York, NY, Spring – Summer
- Gallery Group Show*, Helander Gallery, Palm Beach, FL
- Nocturnal Landscapes*, O.K. Harris Works of Art, New York, NY, April
- Michigan Council for the Arts Grant Recipients*, Pontiac Art Center, Pontiac, MI, May – June
- 1985 *National Midyear Exhibition*, The Butler Institute of American Art, Youngstown, OH, Jun. 30 – Aug. 25
- Group Show*, Zimmerman-Saturn Gallery, Nashville TN
- Selected American Realists*, Capricorn Gallery, Bethesda, MD, Nov. 16 – Dec. 4
- Gallery Group Show*, Robert Kidd Gallery, Birmingham, MI
- 1984 *New Realism*, Robert Kidd Gallery, Birmingham, MI, Dec. 15, 1984 – Jan. 19, 1985
- Gallery Group Show*, Capricorn Gallery, Bethesda, MD, Summer
- 1983 *Gallery Group Show*, O.K. Harris West, Scottsdale, AZ, Summer
- 1982 *Four Poetic Viewpoints*, Detroit Focus Gallery, MI, Jul. 2-31
- 1981 *Gallery Group Show*, O.K. Harris West, Scottsdale, AZ, Summer
- 1979 *Urban Landscape*, Detroit Artists Market, MI, Feb. 23 – Mar. 26
- 1978 *Return of Realism, Part 2 – Detroit Realists*, Meadowbrook Gallery, Rochester, MI, Nov. 19 – Dec. 20

SELECTED BOOKS

- 2013 Meisel, Louis K. *Photorealism in the Digital Age*. New York: Harry N Abrams. Pp. 135–146. Print
- 2003 Gerdts, William H. *American Art at the Flint Institute of Arts*, New York: Hudson Hills. pg. 262-263. Print.
- 2002 Meisel, Louis K. *Photorealism at the Millennium*, Harry N. Abrams Inc., New York. pg. 125-130
- 1997 McDougal, Little. *The Language of Literature*, pg. 372

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Franks, Martin (Producer). Audio Tape Cassette, *American Short Stories 1950 to the Present Day*, England: Penguin Books Ltd., cover illustration, *Times Square, New York City, NO. 2*

Oates, Joyce Carol. *Das Rendezvous Stories*, (German Text) Munich: Taschen Verlag, Cover illustration, *Delft Theater*

Bukowski, Charles. *Ein Profi*, (German Text) Munich: Taschen Verlag, cover illustration: *Chinatown No. 7*

- 1996 Appleby, Arthur N. and Judith A. Langer. *The Language of Literature*.
- 1993 Meisel, Louis K. *Photorealism Since 1980*, Harry N. Abrams, Inc., New York

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- 2015 DeVito, Lee. *Robert Gniewek Gets Intimate with the World's Most Infamous Criminals*, *Detroit Metro Times*, Jan. 14, Web
- 2013 Brandenburg, John. *Art Inspired by Photography Focus of New Museum Exhibit*, *NewsOK.com N.P.* Jan. 30. Web.
- Car Culture: Art and the Automobile*, The Heckscher Museum of Art, Aug. 11-27, pg. 9, illustration
- 2012 Meisel, Louis. *Au-delà Du Réel = Beyond Realism*. Montréal: Galerie de Bellefeuille. Print
- 2010 *Photorealism XX*, *American Art Collector*, Oct., pg. 214-17. Print
- 2009 Czubinska, Magdalena, ed. *American Photorealism: from the Louis K. and Susan P. Meisel Family Collection*, Kraków: National Museum of Kraków, Poland.
- 2008 Aydlette, Larry. *The Boca Museum's Big Winter Show: A Photorealism Retrospective*, *The Palm Beach Post*, Dec. 12. Final Ed. pg. 43
- Kervandjian, Melina V., ed. *Shock of the Real – Photorealism Revisited*, Boca Raton: Boca Raton Museum of Art
- 2004 Windsor, Shawn. *Detroit is an Artist's Muse*, Detroit, MI. Dec. 6, p. B-1, illustration
- Cohen, Keri Guten. *Painter Projects & Multilayered Detroit*, *The Detroit Free Press*, MI. Nov. 21, pg. 4G
- Rinuy, Paul-Louis. *Corps et Sculpture; Traces, Moulages et Empreintes du Corps dans la Sculpture de la Seconde Moitié du XX Siècle*, *CNDP*, Paris, France. October, pg. 17

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- 2003 *Iperrealisti, Viviani Arte*, Chiostrò del Bramante, Rome, Italy. pg. 20, 118-121 illustration
- 2002 Mannisto, Glen. *Intimate Vistas*, Review. Metro Times, Detroit, MI, Feb. 19, pg. 22-23
- 2001 *This is America, American Photorealism*, Aarhus Stiftstidende, Denmark, pg. 130-139
- Richter, Pia. *Natten Skal Planlaegges*, Aarhus Stiftstidende, Denmark, Oct. 12, illustration
- Chromin, Linda. *Getting Real, The Observer & Eccentric*, Birmingham, MI, May. 20, pg. C1-2, illustration
- Melgaard, Max. *Jamen det er jo Amerika*, Nordjyske Stiftstidende, Denmark, Oct. 2, illustration
- Lange, Steffen. *The American Way*, Midtjyllands Avis, Denmark, Sept. 15, illustration
- Nex, Jens. *En Tegner ser pa Malerier af Fotografier*, Aarhus Stiftstidende, Denmark, Sept. 6, illustration
- Andersen, Trine Rytter. *Short Show*, Aarhus Stiftstidende, Denmark, Sept. 6, illustration
- Hall, Sheri. *Dearborn Gallery Debuts*, The Detroit News, Detroit, MI, Sept. 11, pg. 3-D
- Amerikanske Ikoner, Samvirke*, Albertslund, Denmark, Aug. 28, illustration
- 2000 Nott, Robert. *Show on the Road*, The New Mexican, Santa Fe, NM, Sept. 29, pg. 22, illustration
- 1999 Hakanson Colby, Joy. *Detroiters Treasure their Screen Gems – Artist Strives to Preserve the Glory of the Area’s Old Theaters*, The Detroit News, Detroit, MI, Nov. 3
- Gibson, Eric. *Outward Bound: American Art at the Brink of the Twenty-First Century*, Meridian International Center, Washington, DC, (International Traveling Exhibition) pg. 40, illustration
- DiDonna, Liz. Review. Metro Times, Detroit, MI. Nov. 17, pg. 51 illustration
- Provenzo, Frank. Review. *Artful Revelance*, Observer & Eccentric, Birmingham, MI. Nov. 3, pg. 1-2E, illustration
- Bulanda, George. *Now Showing*, Hour Detroit Magazine, November, pg. 50 illustration

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- 1998 *American Short Stories 1950 to Present*, Penguin Audiobooks LTD., England. Cover.
- 1997 Hakanson Colby, Joy. Review. *Ambient Luminosity*, The Detroit News, Detroit, MI. April 24, pg. 2D
- New American Painting*, Open Studios Press, Wellesley, MA. August, pg. 36, 37, 118
- 1994 Lynch, Kevin. *This Art's for Real, and Easy for the Eye*, The Capital Times, Madison, WI. Apr. 28, pg. 1-E, 3-E, illustration
- 1993 Hakanson Colby, Joy. Review. *City Lights Inspire Glowing Work from Robert Gniewek*, The Detroit News, Detroit, MI. Dec. 30, pg. 4-F, illustration
- Birmingham Eccentric, Review. Dec. 23
- 1989 Wolff, Millie. Review. *Palm Beach Daily News*, Palm Beach, FL. Apr. 16, pg. A-9
- 1986 Hakanson Colby, Joy. Review. The Detroit News, Detroit, MI. November
- Meilgaard, Manon. *Moving Beyond Photo-Realism*, Observer & Eccentric, Birmingham & Rochester, MI, November, pg. 6-E illustration
- 1985 Miro, Marsha. Review. The Detroit Free Press, MI, Jan. 5, pg. 5-C
- Abatt, Corinne. *A Fresh Glimpse of Reality*, Observer & Eccentric, Birmingham & Rochester, MI, Jan. 3, pg. 1-D
- Cullinan, Helen. Butler Institute Review. Cleveland Plain Dealer, OH, Jul. 24, pg. 8-F
- 1984 Hakanson Colby, Joy. Review. The Detroit News, Detroit, MI, Dec. 23
- Miro, Marsha. *The Art of Detroit*, The Detroit Free Press, Detroit, MI, Feb. 28, pg. 1-2C, pg. 1-C illustration
- 1982 Darton, Eric. Review. East Village Eye, New York, November, pg. 24 illustration
- Miro, Marsha. Review. Phoenix Gazette, Phoenix, AZ, May 16
- 1981 Bush, Donald. Reviews. Art Voices, Jul/Aug, pg. 81, 82 illustration
- Miller, Marlan. Review. Phoenix Gazette, Phoenix, AZ, May 16
- Cortright, Barbara. Review. Scottsdale Daily Progress, Scottsdale, AZ, May 8, pg. 49

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Walton, Kelly. *City Lights*, Scottsdale Daily Progress, (Weekend Magazine), AZ, May 1, pg. 14-15, illustration

- 1979 Hakanson Colby, Joy. Review. The Detroit News, MI, Jun. 10, pg. 6-F illustration
- Hakanson Colby, Joy. Review. The Detroit News, MI, Mar. 11, pg. 6-K illustration
- Miro, Marsha. Review. The Detroit Free Press, Detroit, MI, Jun. 3, pg. 12C
- Chargot, Patricia. *Portfolio – Robert Gniewek*, The Detroit Free Press (Sunday Magazine), Detroit, MI, May 20, pg. 16-19 illustration
- 1978 Zucker, Helen. Review. Observer & Eccentric, Birmingham & Rochester, MI, Dec. 18

GRANTS AND AWARDS

- 1989 Michigan Council for the Arts
- 1988 Arts Midwest – NEA Regional Fellowship
- 1985 Michigan Council for the Arts

COMMISSIONS

- 1998 First USA Bank, Wilmington, DE *Visa Las Vegas* Credit Card
- 1979 Ambassador Bridge Co., Windsor, Ontario, Canada, *50th Anniversary Painting*, K Mart Corporation, Troy, MI. S.S. Kresge Co.

SELECTED COLLECTIONS

- Aarhus Kunstmuseum, Aarhus, Denmark
- Albert Kahn Associates, Detroit, MI
- Ambassador Bridge Company, Windsor, Ontario, Canada
- American Republic Insurance Company, Des Moines, IA
- Arthur Sherman Associates, New York, NY
- Brown, Wood, Ivey, Mitchell and Petty, New York, NY
- Charles Levy Circulating Company, Chicago, IL
- Flint Institute of Arts, Flint, MI

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K-Mart Corporation, Troy, MI

Merit Holdings Company, Des Moines, IA

Michigan Bell, Detroit, MI

Plagens & Associates, Northville, MI

Vinson and Ellsins, Houston, TX