

## SOIL THORNTON

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Lives and works in Brooklyn, NY

## EDUCATION

2012 BFA, The Cooper Union, New York, NY

## SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2025 Galerie Neu, Berlin, Germany (forthcoming)  
Simian, Copenhagen, Denmark (forthcoming)
- 2024 *candidate screening methods*, Progetto, Lecce, Italy  
*Painting, the shorter of the longest (Morán Morán)*, 2024, Morán Morán, Los Angeles, CA  
*Painting, the shorter of the longest (The Journal)*, 2024, The Journal, New York, NY
- 2023 *Choosing Suitor*, Wiener Secession, Vienna, Austria  
*Painting, the shorter of the longest*, 2023, In The Office, Maxwell Graham, New York, NY
- 2022 *Decomposition Evaluation*, Kunstverein Bielefeld, Bielefeld, Germany
- 2021 *Moreover, does productivity know what it's named, maybe it calls itself identity?*,  
Galerie Neu, Berlin, Germany  
*My Child will be named after me, Invasive, or was it Prayer? I need to check my notes.*,  
Morán Morán, Los Angeles, CA
- 2020 *Does productivity know what it's named, maybe it calls itself identity?* Essex Street,  
New York, NY
- 2019 *Subdominium Edges Y Assumed Legalities*, Modern Art, London, UK  
*Sustenance Traversing Foundational Urgencies (STFU [some])(Re-Faux Outing)*, Essex  
Street, New York, NY
- 2018 *Sir Veil's Faux Outing*, Jeffrey Stark, New York, NY
- 2017 *When you look in eyes you can only look into one at a time, unless you're further away  
and aligned perfectly with mirrored feature spacing*, Moran Bondaroff, Los Angeles, CA
- 2016 *Rapport Vroom*, Shane Campbell Gallery, Chicago, IL  
*Sir Veil*, Albright-Knox Art Gallery, Buffalo, NY
- 2015 *Knead a Sea Ware Groin*, Stuart Shave/Modern Art, London, UK
- 2014 *Some Narrow Sleeping*, OHWOW Gallery, Los Angeles, CA  
*Oh Strange, That's Your Name*, Galerie Torri, Paris, France
- 2013 *Agro Fiddling*, Karma, New York, NY

## GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2025 *TYPE*, Galería Mascota, Mexico City, Mexico  
*This artwork did not sell*, Maxwell Graham, New York, NY
- 2024 *Courtplay*, curated by Mohamed Almusibli and Ivan Cheng, Hartwig Art Foundation,  
Amsterdam, Netherlands  
*plus one (part II)*, ensemble, New York, NY  
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*Micasa*, New York, NY  
*ZONE*, Reena Spaulings Fine Art, NY, New York

- 2023 *Dowsing*, curated by Nick Irvin, Layr, Vienna, Austria  
*Customs, Cars, Cultures*, organized by Kyle Thurman, UncleBrother, Hancock, NY  
*We Smell Gas*, Reena Spaulings, New York, NY  
*In Defense of Symbolic Value: Artistic Procedures in the Resort*, Galerie Max Hetzler, Berlin, Germany
- 2022 *Militant Joy*, Theta, New York, NY  
*Olivier Mosset – SoIL Thornton*, No Name, Paris, France  
*My Reflection of You*, The Perimeter, London, UK  
*Beyond the Surface: Collage, Mixed Media and Textile Works from the Collection*, Nasher Museum of Art, Durham, NC  
*Pooky's Reform*, Fri-Art, Kunsthalle Fribourg, Fribourg, Switzerland  
*Hamishi Farah, Ser Serpas, SoIL Thornton*, Maxwell Graham/Essex Street, New York, New York
- 2021 *Alien Nation*, von ammon co, Washington, D.C.  
*Benefit of the Doubt*, Deborah Schamoni, Munich, Germany  
*Group Show*, Modern Art, London, UK  
*Niloufar Emamifar, SoIL Thornton, and an Oral History of Knobkerry*, SculptureCenter, Long Island City, NY  
*Autohaus St. Marx*, organized by Benjamin Hirte, Neuer Kunstverein Wien, Vienna, Austria  
*Sharing a (S)hell*, Curated by Bob Linder, Rebecca Camacho Presents, San Francisco, CA  
*sub/dominium*, curated by SoIL Thornton, Chateau Shatto, Los Angeles, California  
*Sustainable Museum: Practical Action Plans*, Museum of Contemporary Art Busan, Busan, South Korea
- 2020 *Art for the Bay Area*, Benefit for the Bay Area Anti-Repression Committee and the San Francisco Neighbors Solidarity Network, Bay Area, California  
*Bleecker & West 11th Biennale*, Bleecker St. & West 11th St., New York, New York  
*Comedy of Erros*, Organized by Fiona Alison Duncan, The Gallery @, Los Angeles, CA  
*Prix Jean Francois Prat 2020*, Bredin Prat Foundation for Contemporary Art, Paris, France  
*I Yield My Time. Fuck You!*, Altman Siegel, San Francisco, CA  
Jason Dodge, *They lifted me into the sun and packed my skull with cinnamon*, Gern en Regalia, New York, New York
- 2019 *Dirty Protest: Selections from the Hammer Contemporary Collection*, Hammer Museum, Los Angeles, CA  
*Q-Tip: The Collection*, Bonhams, New York, New York
- 2018 *Crossroads: Carnegie Museum of Art's Collection, 1945 to Now*, Carnegie Museum of Art, Pittsburg, PA  
*Objects to Identify*, Morán Morán, Los Angeles, CA  
*The Vitalist Economy of Painting*, Curated by Isabelle Graw, Galerie Neu, Berlin, Germany  
*Eckhaus Latta: Possessed*, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, NY  
*Rose and Torey on Paper*, with Rose Wylie, The Journal Gallery, Brooklyn, NY  
*The Gallery @ Michael's*, Michael's Santa Monica, Santa Monica, CA
- 2017 *Abstract/Not Abstract*, Curated by Jeffery Deitch, Moore Building, Miami, FL  
*The Trick Brain*, Curated by Massimiliano Gioni, Aishti Foundation, Beirut, Lebanon

- Trip of the Tongue*, Simon Lee Gallery, Hong Kong, China  
*Living Apart Together: Recent Acquisitions from the Hammer Contemporary Collection*, Hammer Museum, Los Angeles, CA  
*Horror Vacui, or The Annihilation of Space*, Misako & Rosen, Tokyo, Japan  
*Whitney Biennial 2017*, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, NY  
*Third Space/Shifting Conversations About Contemporary Art*, Birmingham Museum of Art, Birmingham, AL
- 2016 *Olympia*, Organized by Karma, Patrick Seguin, Paris, France  
*Extensions Made To Trouble Transformation*, with Eric N. Mack, Almine Rech Gallery, Paris, France  
*Goulding the Lolly*, Curated by Brian Belott, Gavin Brown's Enterprise, New York, NY  
*Before Sunrise*, Karma, Amagansett, NY  
*Theories of Modern Art*, Stuart Shave/Modern Art, London, UK  
*A Shape That Stands Up*, Curated by Jamillah James, Art + Practice, Los Angeles, CA  
*SURREAL*, Koenig Galerie, Berlin, Germany  
*Paper in Practice*, Moran Bondaroff, Los Angeles, CA  
*With Institutions Like These*, Curated by Victor Wand and Alex Meurice, The Averard Hotel, London, UK
- 2015 *A Constellation*, The Studio Museum in Harlem, New York, NY  
*We will begin by drawing, we shall continue to draw, and then we shall draw some more*, Tim Van Laere Gallery, Antwerp, Belgium  
*Rigor Raging Rigger*, with Colin Foster, Freddy Gallery, Baltimore, MD  
*Love for Three Oranges*, Curated by Karma, Gladstone Gallery, Brussels, Belgium  
*Third Heat: Gina Beavers*, with Brian Belott, and Annie Pearlman, CANADA, New York, NY  
*CALL AND RESPONSE*, Gavin Brown's Enterprise, New York, NY  
*Eagles II*, Marlborough, Madrid, Spain
- 2014 *Live And Let Die*, Modern Art, London, UK  
*The Great Figure*, The Journal, New York, NY  
*New Image Painting*, Shane Campbell Gallery, Chicago, IL  
*Don't Look Now*, Zach Feuer Gallery, New York, NY  
*Forever*, Metropolitan Art Society, Beirut, Lebanon  
*Still Life With Woodpecker*, Halsey Mckay, East Hampton, NY  
*Beware Of The Stares*, 247365, Brooklyn, NY
- 2013 *Six Impossible Things Before Breakfast*, Rod Barton, London, UK  
*Draw Gym*, Curated by Brian Belott, 247365, Brooklyn, NY
- 2012 *Infamous Amplification*, Hggrp, New York, NY  
*Burnt Grits Where I Died*, 41 Cooper Gallery, New York, NY  
*Ten Ten*, Jason Alexander, New York, NY

## **PUBLIC COLLECTIONS**

- Albright-Knox Art Gallery, Buffalo, NY  
 Birmingham Museum of Art, Birmingham, AL  
 Carnegie Museum of Art, Pittsburgh, PA  
 The CIFO Collection, Cisneros Fontanals Art Foundation, Miami, FL

Dallas Museum of Art, Dallas, TX  
The Hammer Museum, Los Angeles, CA  
Marciano Art Foundation, Los Angeles, CA  
The Nasher Museum of Art at Duke University, Durham, NC  
The Rachofsky Collection, Dallas, TX  
Rubell Family Collection, Miami, FL  
Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum, New York, NY  
University of Chicago, Booth School of Business, Chicago, IL  
Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, NY  
Zabludowicz Collection, London, UK

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