

## Tristan Unrau

b. 1989, Canada  
lives and works in Los Angeles, CA

### Education

2017 MFA, University of California, Los Angeles, CA  
2012 BA, Emily Carr University of Art + Design, Vancouver, Canada

### Selected Solo / Two-Person Exhibitions

(\* indicates a publication)

2024 *Re-Enactment*, Sebastian Gladstone, New York, NY  
2023 *The Earth Not A Globe*, Sebastian Gladstone, Los Angeles, CA  
2022 *Dramatic Pictures*, 56 Henry, New York, NY  
2021 *Soap Bubble in a Rose Garden*, with Willy Reed, Stanley's, Los Angeles, CA  
*False Idols*, Unit 17, Vancouver, Canada  
2020 *50 Million Years*, Towards, Toronto, Canada  
2018 *A New Day*, Phil Gallery, Los Angeles, CA  
2017 Unit 17, Vancouver, Canada

### Selected Group Exhibitions

(\* indicates a publication)

2026 *From the Xmas Trees of Lucy Bull 3*, From the Desk of Lucy Bull, New York, NY  
2025 *Second Body*, curated by Molly Everett, David Kordansky Gallery, Los Angeles, CA  
*Surface Streets*, Marian Goodman Gallery, Los Angeles, CA  
*A Certain Form of Hell*, Karma, Thomaston, ME  
*America Unframed*, American Art Projects, Berlin, Germany  
2024 *Meet me by the lake*, CLEARING, New York, NY

2023 *Portals, Stars*, Los Angeles, CA  
\*50 Paintings, Milwaukee Art Museum, Milwaukee, WI

2021 *North by Northwest*, Kasmin Gallery, New York, NY

2019 *SUPER, NATURAL*, Unit 17, Vancouver, Canada  
*Residue for Art Toronto*, Unit 17, Vancouver, Canada

2018 *Drawings*, Clint Roenisch Gallery, Toronto, Canada

2017 *17:1*, Unit 17, Vancouver, Canada  
*Cynthia Daignault: There is nothing I could say that I haven't thought before*, FLAG Art Foundation, New York, NY

2016 *Vancouver Special: Ambivalent Pleasures*, Vancouver Art Gallery, Vancouver, Canada

#### **Selected Bibliography**

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2022 Diehl, Travis, "The Best Shows to See in New York During Frieze Week 2022," *Frieze.com*, May 20, 2022

2020 Anderson, Claressinka, "Exquisite L.A.: Volume 3," *ContemporaryArtReview.la*, March 17, 2020