

## Tristan Unrau

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### 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

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