

# Capitain Petzel

## ROSS BLECKNER

Born 1949, New York, NY

### EDUCATION

1971 B.A., New York University, New York, NY  
1973 M.F.A., California Institute of the Arts, Valencia, CA

Lives and works in New York, NY

### SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2026 *ROSS BLECKNER: NEVER THE LESS*, Guild Hall, East Hampton, NY (Upcoming)
- 2025 *Ross Bleckner - neue Arbeiten*, FRANK FLUEGEL GALERIE, Nuremberg, Germany  
*It Used To Be*, Capitain Petzel, Berlin  
*New Paintings 2022-2025*, Galleria Mazzoli, Modena, Italy  
*Commune*, Maruani Mercier, Brussels, Belgium  
*Small Paintings*, Baldwin Gallery, Aspen, CO  
*The Viewing Room*, Petzel Gallery, New York, NY
- 2024 *Flowers – Blumen*, KiS, Kunst in Seefeld, Austria  
*Mashber*, Petzel Gallery, New York, NY
- 2022 *Ross Bleckner*, Carling Dalenson, Stockholm  
*Sehnsucht*, Vielmetter, Los Angeles, CA  
Sevil Dolmaci, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2021 *Heart in the corner of the room*, Petzel Gallery, New York, NY  
*Ross Bleckner: Paralipsis*, Manuani Mercier Gallery, Brussels, Belgium  
*Ross Bleckner: Stripe Paintings from the 80's*, Van de Weghe, East Hampton, NY  
Baldwin Gallery, Aspen, CO  
Paul Petro Contemporary, Toronto, Canada
- 2020 *Quid Pro Quo*, Capitain Petzel, Berlin  
*Text Me*, Baldwin Gallery, Aspen, CO
- 2019 *Overhead and Below*, Neues Museum, Nuremberg, Germany  
*How to Survive the Present*, Allouche Benias, Athens, Greece  
*Pharmaceutria*, Petzel Gallery, New York, NY  
Paul Petro Contemporary, Toronto, Canada
- 2018 Wienerroither and Kohlbacher Palais Schonborn-Batthyany, Vienna, Austria  
Mazzoli Gallery, Modena, Italy  
Maruani Mercier, Brussels, Belgium  
Maruani Mercier & Hadida, Paris, France
- 2017 Baldwin Gallery, Aspen, CO  
Dallas Contemporary, Dallas, TX  
*New paintings & works on Paper*, Meyerovich Gallery, San Francisco, CA
- 2016 Leila Heller Gallery, Dubai, United Arab Emirates  
Bohm Chapel, Cologne, Germany
- 2015 Freddy Gallery, Baltimore, Maryland  
Baldwin Gallery, Aspen, CO
- 2014 Maruani Mercier Gallery, Brussels, Belgium  
Mary Boone Gallery, New York, NY
- 2012 Jablonka Galerie, Cologne, Germany
- 2011 Maruani & Noirhomme Gallery, Brussels, Belgium  
Scott White Fine Art, San Diego, CA
- 2010 Mary Boone Gallery, New York, NY  
Emilio Mazzoli gallery, Modena, Italy

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- 2009 Galerie Forsblom, Helsinki, Finland  
Baldwin Gallery, Aspen, CO
- 2008 Imago Galleries, Palm Springs, CA
- 2007 Cais Gallery, Seoul, Korea  
Mary Boone Gallery, NYC, NY
- 2006 Galerie Forsblom, Helsinki, Finland
- 2005 Ruzicka Gallery, Salzburg, Austria
- 2004 *Dialogue with Space*, Esbjerg Art Museum, Esbjerg, Denmark
- 2003 Lehman Maupin Gallery, NYC, NY  
Mary Boone Gallery, NYC, NY
- 2001 Mary Boone Gallery, NYC, NY
- 2000 Mario Diacono Gallery, Boston, Massachusetts  
Galerie Ernst Beyeler, Basel, Switzerland  
Maureen Paley/Interim Art, London, England
- 1999 Mary Boone Gallery, NYC, NY
- 1997 Galerie Daniel Templon, Paris, France  
Bawag Foundation, Vienna, Austria
- 1996 Mary Boone Gallery, New York, NY
- 1995 Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum, New York, NY  
Astrup Fearnley Museet for Moderne Kunst, Oslo, Norway  
I.V.A.M. Centre Julio Gonzalez, Valencia, Spain
- 1994 Mary Boone Gallery, New York, NY
- 1993 Galerie Max Hetzler, Cologne, Germany  
Guild Hall, East Hampton, NY
- 1991 Kölnischer Kunstverein, Cologne, Germany  
Moderna Museet, Stockholm, Sweden  
Mary Boone Gallery, New York, NY
- 1990 Art Gallery of Ontario, Toronto, Canada  
Kunsthalle Zurich, Zurich, Switzerland
- 1989 Milwaukee Art Museum, Milwaukee, WI  
Contemporary Arts Museum, Houston, TX  
Carnegie Museum of Art, Pittsburgh, PA
- 1988 San Francisco Museum of Modern Art, San Francisco, CA  
Mary Boone Gallery, New York, NY
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- 1982 Patrick Verelst Galerie, Antwerp, The Netherlands

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- Portico Row Gallery, Philadelphia, PA  
1981 Mary Boone Gallery, New York, NY  
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1977 Cunningham Ward Gallery, New York, NY  
1976 John Doyle Gallery, Chicago, IL  
1975 Cunningham Ward Gallery, New York, NY

## SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2026 *250 Years of Art on Long Island*, Nassau County Museum of Art, NY  
2025 *Through the Seasons. Christen Sveaas' Art Foundation*, Henie Onstad Kunstsenter, Høvikodden, Norway  
*25 for 2025*, Capitain Petzel, Berlin, Germany  
*Downtown / Uptown New York in the Eighties*, Levy Gorvy Dayan, New York  
*Sensing Meaning*, Abstract Painting, Ruby City, San Antonio  
*Ebb and Flow: Contemporary Art from the Collection*, Museum of Fine Arts, Boston  
2024 *Couples Squared*, Southampton Arts Center, Southampton, UK  
*Sweet Sixteen*, Capitain Petzel, Berlin, Germany  
*Through the Floods*, Collezione Maramotti, Reggio nell'Emilia RE, Italy  
2023 *Time Travel: Italian Masters through a Contemporary Lens*, Petzel Gallery, New York, NY  
*An Apartment for Ghosts: '57-'23*, Petzel Gallery, New York, NY  
2022 *Christen Sveaas Art Foundation: The Unseen Selected By Hurvin Anderson*, Whitechapel Gallery, London, UK  
*Empire of Water*, The Church, Sag Harbor, NY  
*Artgenève2022*, Palexpo Genève, Geneva, Switzerland  
*Every Moment Counts—AIDS and its Feelings*, Henie Onstad Kunstsenter, Høvikodden, Norway  
2021 AMTSALON, Berlin, Germany  
2020 *My Generation. Die Sammlung Jablonka*, The Albertina Museum, Vienna, Austria  
*ROSS BLECKNER | ERWIN GROSS - DIALOG DER BILDER (Dialogue if Images)*, Galerie Bernd Kugler, Innsbruck, Austria  
*Caroline Backmann - 58. av. J.- C.*, Kunststahaus Glarus, Glarus, Switzerland  
*Art Basel Curated Selection: New Paintings, Sculpture and Works on Paper*, Petzel Gallery, NY  
*The Shadow of the Sun*, Wave Hill, Bronx, NY  
2019 *Where Art Might Happen, The Early Years of CalArts*, Kunststahaus Graz, Austria  
*1986, MARUANI MERCIER*, Brussels, Belgium  
*SummerPleasures*, Meyerovich Gallery, San Francisco, CA  
*The Empathy Lab*, Jessica Silverman Gallery, San Francisco, CA  
*Over the Rainbow*, Mirat, Madrid, Spain  
*Currently Published*, Vivian Horan Fine Art, New York, NY  
*Black and White Prints and Works on Paper*, Alpha 137 Gallery, New York, NY  
*Works for \$2,500 & under*, Alpha 137 Gallery, New York, NY  
*Where Art Might Happen, The Early Years of CalArts*, Kestnergesellschaft, Hanover, Germany  
*A Cloth Over a Birdcage*, Château Shatto, Los Angeles, CA  
*The Empathy Lab*, Jessica Silverman Gallery, San Francisco, CA  
*Rebel with a Cause: The Extravagant Eighties as Envisioned by Eric Fischl*, Nassau County Museum, Roslyn, NY  
*Feldphantom*, Galerie Nikolaus Ruzicska, Salzburg, Austria  
*Flora*, Brintz Gallery, Palm Beach, FL  
2018 *Welcome to the Dollhouse*, The Museum of Contemporary Art, Los Angeles, CA  
*Scenes for the Collection*, The Jewish Museum, New York, NY  
*The Color of Light*, Brintz Galleries, Palm Beach, FL  
*In the Shadow of the Sun*, Kenderdine/College Galleries, Saskatoon, SK  
*Inaugural Exhibition*, Allouche Benias Gallery, Athens, Greece  
2017 *Artists as Innovators: Celebrating Three Decades of New York Council on the Arts*, New York, NY

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- Foundation for the Arts Fellowships, Dorsky Museum of Art SUNY, New Paltz, NY  
*Fast Forward: Painting from the 1980s*, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, NY  
*Blue Black*, Pulitzer Foundation for the Arts, St. Louis, MO  
*Nocturne*, Paul Petro Contemporary, Montreal, Canada  
*So Lightly Here*, Paul Petro Contemporary, Montreal, Canada  
*Garden Party*, Brintz Galleries, Palm Beach, FL  
*The Secret Life of Plants*, Freight and Volume, New York, NY
- 2016 *Art AIDS America*, Alphawood Foundation, Chicago, IL  
*Water | Bodies*, Southampton Arts Center, Southampton, NY  
*Contemporary Artists vs. The Masters*, Brattleboro Museum and Art Center, Brattleboro, Vermont, Canada  
*Unfinished Business: Paintings from the 1970s and 1980s by Ross Bleckner, Eric Fischl, and David Salle*, Parrish Art Museum, Water Mill, NY  
*Nice Weather*, Skarstedt Gallery, New York, NY  
*Art AIDS America*, Zuckerman Museum of Art, Kennesaw State University, Kennesaw, GA  
*Art AIDS America*, The Bronx Museum of the Arts, Bronx, NY  
*12 New Yorkers*, Jablonka Maruani Mercier Gallery, Brussels, Belgium
- 2015 *Phantom Bodies: The Human Aura in Art*, Frist Center for the Visual Arts, Nashville, TN  
*Selfies and Portraits of the East End*, Guild Hall Museum, East Hampton, NY  
*Art AIDS America*, The Tacoma Art Museum, Tacoma, WA  
*Ross Bleckner and Volker Eichelmann*, Sargent's Daughters, New York, NY
- 2014 *Urban Theater: New York Art in the 1980s*, Modern Art Museum of Fort Worth, Fort Worth, TX  
*In the Beginning/End States*, Sgorbati Projects, New York, NY  
*Repetitive Motion*, SHFAP at Projector Gallery, New York, NY
- 2013 *Paint Hotel*, Joe Sheftel Gallery, New York, NY
- 2012 *Word Symbol Space*, The Jewish Museum, New York, NY  
*Conceptual Abstraction*, Hunter College Time Square Gallery, New York, NY
- 2011 *Surrounding Bacon and Warhol: Selections from the Astrup Fearnley Collection*, Astrup Fearnley Museum of Modern Art, Oslo, Norway  
*Pop Art 1960's-2000's From Misumi Collection*, Kawaguchiko Museum of Art, Yamanashi Prefecture, Japan  
*Circa 1986 – The '80s from Six important New York Art Collections*, Hudson Valley Center for Contemporary Art, Peekskill, NY  
*Magic Hand*, ARTBLOGARTBLOG, New York, NY  
*An Instance of Vibration*, Anonymous Gallery, New York, NY
- 2010 *Your History is not Our History*, Haunch of Venison, New York, NY  
*Selections*, LA Art House, West Hollywood, CA  
*Other as Animal*, Danese Gallery, New York, NY  
*America: Here and Now*, travelling exhibition  
*Stream of the Unknown: Selections from the Collection*, Fisher Landau Center for Art, Long Island City, NY  
*In Dialogue*, Anonymous Gallery, New York, NY
- 2009 *A Tribute to Ron Warren*, Mary Boone Gallery, New York, NY
- 2008 *Genesis- The Art of Creation*, Zentrum Paul Klee, Bern, Switzerland  
*Empires and Environments*, The Rose Art Museum, Brandeis University, Waltham, MA
- 2007 *Time .01: I Love My Scene/Scene 3*, Mary Boone Gallery, New York, NY
- 2006 *View Nine: I Love My Scene/Scene 3*, Mary Boone Gallery, New York, NY
- 2005 *Picturing America: Selections from the Whitney Museum of American Art*, Nagasaki Prefectural Art Museum, Nagasaki, Japan.  
*Zoo Story*, Fisher Landau Center for Art, Long Island City, NY
- 2004 *Flowers*, Mary Boone Gallery, New York, NY  
*Flowers Observed, Flowers Transformed*, The Andy Warhol Museum, Pittsburgh, PA  
*A Celebration of the Guild Hall Academy of the Arts Lifetime Achievement Honorees in*

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- the Visual Arts*, Guild Hall Museum, East Hampton, NY  
*North Fork/South Fork: East End Art Now/Part II*, Parrish Art Museum, Southampton, NY
- 2003 *Me & More*, Kunstmuseum Luzern, Lucerne, Switzerland
- 2002 *Art Downtown: New York Painting and Sculpture*, 48 Wall Street, New York, NY
- 2001 *Mythic Proportions: Painting in the 1980s*, Museum of Contemporary Art, North Miami, FL  
*Jasper Johns to Je Koons: Four Decades of Art from the Broad Collection*, Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Los Angeles, CA
- 2000 *In the Power of Painting*, Moderna Museet, Stockholm, Sweden  
*On Canvas: Contemporary Painting*, Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum, New York, NY  
*In the Power of Painting*, Alesco, Zurich, Switzerland
- 1999 *The American Century: Art and Culture 1950-2000*, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, NY
- 1997 *Birth of the Cool: Amerikanische Malerei*, Kunsthaus Zurich, Switzerland
- 1996 *Nuevas Abstracciones*, Museo Nacional Centro de Arte Reina Sofia, Madrid, Spain
- 1995 *Passions Privees*, Musee d'Art Moderne de la Ville de Paris, France
- 1994 *Painting and Sculpture: Recent Acquisitions*, The Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY
- 1992 *Slow Art: Painting in New York Now*, P.S. 1 Museum, Long Island City, NY
- 1991 *Mito y Magia en America: Los Ochenta*, Museo de arte contemporaneo de Monterrey, Mexico  
*Metropolis*, Martin-Gropius-Bau, Berlin, Germany  
*Devil on the Stairs: Looking Back on the Eighties*, Institute of Contemporary Art, Philadelphia, PA
- 1989 *1989 Biennial Exhibition*, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, NY  
*Prospect 89*, Frankfurt Kunstverein and Schirn Kunsthalle, Frankfurt, Germany
- 1988 *Biennial of Sydney*, Australia  
*The Image of Abstraction*, The Museum of Contemporary Art, Los Angeles, CA  
*The Binational/ Die Binationale*, Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, MA  
*Art at the End of the Social*, The Rooseum, Malmo, Sweden  
*Carnegie International*, Carnegie Museum of Art, Pittsburgh, PA
- 1987 *1987 Biennial Exhibition*, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, NY
- 1985 *Currents*, Institute of Contemporary Art, Boston, MA
- 1984 *The Meditative Surface*, The Renaissance Society, University of Chicago, IL
- 1981 *New York in Black and White*, The Museum of Modern Art/Penthouse, NYC, NY
- 1979 *New Painting/New York*, Hayward Gallery, London, UK  
*Paint Hotel*, Joe Sheftel Gallery, New York, NY

## PUBLIC COLLECTIONS

Albright-Knox Art Gallery, Buffalo, New York  
Astrup Fearnley Collection, Oslo, Norway  
Baltimore Museum of Art, Baltimore, Maryland  
Bawag Foundation, Vienna, Austria  
Museum Boymans-van Beuningen, Rotterdam, Netherlands  
The Broad Art Foundation, Santa Monica, California  
Brooklyn Museum, Brooklyn, New York  
Carnegie Museum of Art, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania  
Chase Manhattan Bank, New York, New York  
Citibank Art Collection, New York, New York  
Daros Collection, Zürich, Switzerland  
Douglas S. Cramer Foundation, Los Angeles, California  
Dannheisser Foundation, New York, New York  
Fisher Landau Center for Art, New York, New York  
General Mills, Golden Valley, Minnesota  
Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden, Washington, D.C.  
Ho-Am Art Museum, Seoul, South Korea  
Jacksonville Art Museum, Jacksonville, Florida

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The Jewish Museum, New York, New York  
Joslyn Art Museum, Omaha, Nebraska  
Marx Collection, Berlin, Germany  
Milwaukee Art Museum, Milwaukee, Wisconsin  
Museo de Arte Contemporanea, Seville, Spain  
Museo Nacional Thyssen-Bornemisza, Madrid, Spain  
Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago, Illinois  
Museum of Contemporary Art, Los Angeles, California  
Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, Massachusetts  
The Museum of Modern Art, New York, New York  
Orlando Museum of Art, Orlando, Florida  
Prudential Life Insurance, Newark, New Jersey  
Museo Nacional Centro de Arte Reina Sofia, Madrid, Spain  
Sammlung Goetz, Munich, Germany  
Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum, New York, New York  
The ROC Group, Paris, France  
Rubell Family Collection, Miami, Florida  
The Saatchi Gallery, London, United Kingdom  
San Francisco Museum of Modern Art, San Francisco, California  
Smith, Klein and Beckman, Swedeland, Pennsylvania  
Tsurukame Corporation, Nagoya, Japan  
Tweed Museum of Art, University of Minnesota, Duluth, Minnesota  
Walker Art Center, Minneapolis, Minnesota  
Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, New York