

Barbara Kasten

born 1936, lives and works in Chicago, US

Education

1970 M.F.A., California College of Arts and Crafts, Oakland, California, US
1959 B.F.A., University of Arizona, Tucson, Arizona, US

Institutional Collections

Amon Carter Museum, Fort Worth, Texas, US Ackland Art Museum, Chapel Hill, NC, US
Art Gallery New South Wales, Sydney, AU
Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois, US
Art Tower Mito Contemporary Art Gallery, Mito, Japan, US Baltimore Museum of Art, Baltimore, Maryland, US Birmingham Museum of Art, Birmingham, Alabama, US
Berkeley Art Museum and Pacific Film Archive, Berkeley, California, US
California Museum of Photography, University of California Riverside, Riverside, US
Contemporary Art Centre, Vilnius, LT
Center for Creative Photography, University of Arizona, Tucson, Arizona, US Centre Georges Pompidou, Paris, FR
Pinakothek der Moderne, Munich, DE
Centro Cultural Arte Contemporaneo, Mexico City, US
Espoo Museum of Modern Art, NOR
Fine Arts Museum of New Mexico, Santa Fe, New Mexico, US Fogg Art Museum, Cambridge, Massachusetts, US
Generali Foundation, Vienna, AT
Hammer Museum, University of California at Los Angeles, Los Angeles, US Helen Forsman Spencer Museum of Art, Lawrence, Kansas, US
High Museum of Art, Atlanta, Georgia, US
The Huntington, San Marino, California
International Museum of Photography at George Eastman House, Rochester, New York, US
International Center of Photography, New York, New York
J. Paul Getty Museum, Los Angeles, US Kunstmuseum Wolfsburg, Wolfsburg, DE
Kunstpallast Düsseldorf, DE
Kunsthalle Recklinghausen, DE
Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Los Angeles, California, US Madison Art Center, Madison, Wisconsin, US
Museum der Moderne, Salzburg, AT
Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, New York, US Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago, Illinois, US
Museum of Contemporary Art, Los Angeles, California, US
Museum of Contemporary Photography, Columbia College, Chicago, Illinois, US
Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, Texas, US
Museum of Fine Arts, Museum of New Mexico, Santa Fe, New Mexico, US
Museum of Modern Art, Lodz, PL

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National Gallery of Art, Washington D.C., US
New Mexico Museum of Art, Santa Fe, US
New Orleans Museum of Art, New Orleans, US
Onassis Foundation USA, New York, US
The Philadelphia Museum of Art, Philadelphia Pennsylvania, US
San Francisco Museum of Modern Art, San Francisco, US
Sammlung Goetz, Munich, Germany
Sammlung Philara, Düsseldorf, Germany
Smithsonian American Art Museum, Washington, D.C.
Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum, New York, NY
The Tampa Museum, Tampa, Florida, US
Tate Modern, London, UK
Walker Art Center, Minneapolis, US
WestLicht Museum, Vienna, AUT
The Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, US

Awards and residencies

2022	Illinois Arts Council Individual Artist Award
2020	Graham Foundation Grant-Stephanie Cristello Editor-Barbara Kasten: Architecture & Film (2015-2020) book, SKIRA, Italy
2019	Union League Club Distinguished Artist Award Chicago, IL
2018	Hyde Park. Art Center Gala Honoree, Chicago, IL „Barbara Kasten/Chicago – Artist / City“, S.R. Crown Hall, Illinois Institute of Technology, US
2016	Silver Camera Award, Museum of Contemporary Photography, Columbia College Chicago, US
2012	Faculty Development Grant, Columbia College Chicago, US
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2006-2008	Distinguished Artist, Columbia College Chicago, US
2005	Faculty Development Grant, Columbia College Chicago, US
1998	Graduate International Faculty Development Grant, Columbia College Chicago, US
1996	Artist in Residence, EKLISIA, Gumusluk, TR
1995	Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, Cornell Council for the Arts, US Visiting Artist Residency, US USIA Arts America Cultural Specialist, (in Lithuania, Estonia, LT) Artist in Residence, EKLISIA, Gumusluk, TR
1991	Apple Digital Photography Grant Artist in Residence, Musee de Pont Aven, Pont Aven, FR
1985	Capp Street Project Residency, San Francisco, California, US 1982 John Simon Guggenheim Fellowship, U.S. Polaroid Collection Program (1982 – present)
1981	National Endowment of the Arts Grant; Project Director, Videotape Documentary, „High Heels and Ground Glass“ Coast Community College District
1977	National Endowment of the Arts, Photography Fellowship
1971	Fulbright Hays Fellowship, PL

Special Projects

2020	Printed Matter, Benefit Photograph: Construct XX-PM, New York, NY, US City of Toronto Mural, Public Art Commission, Toronto, CAN Four Flags 2020 Project, Chicago Manual Style, Chicago, US Plan Your Vote, Vote.org, Election Promotion, US
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- 2019 The New Bauhaus, directed by Alysa Nahmias, Architecture Design Film Festival, New York, Chicago International Film Festival, Saint Louis Art Museum US Connections: 48 Years, MAS Context, transcribed lecture presented online, lecture co-presented by the Museum of Contemporary Photography and the Photography Department at Columbia College Chicago, US
- 2018 Art 21 - „Extended Play“- Barbara Kasten: Beauty Was a Problem, Video premiered May 30, 2018, PBS. Creative Chicago: An Interview Marathon, Art Design Chicago 2018, presented by the Chicago Humanities Festival, September 29, 2018, Navy Pier, Chicago, US
- 2017 Feature, Projects from established and historical artists are precisely curated by gallerists in the Feature sector at Art Basel. Galerie Kadel Willborn, Basel, CH
- 2016 Art 21 - Art In The Twenty-First Century, Season 8, Episode 1 “Chicago”, Video premiered September 16, 2016, PBS. Sideways/Corner, one night video installation performance with the Dallas Symphony Orchestra Quartet for Soluna International Music & Arts Festival on the occasion of the Dallas Art Fair. Myerson Symphony Center, Dallas, Texas, US
- 1999 Mein Dualis, 20x24” Polaroid membership print, Museum of Contemporary Photography, Columbia College Chicago, Chicago, US
- 1997 Printed Moments, marketing promotion, LEXMARK International Temple VIII, membership print, Museum of Contemporary Photography, Columbia College Chicago, Chicago, US
- The Splendor of Tenochtitlan, photo-graph, LIFE Magazine, Special Issue: The Millennium
- 1995 El Medol as an Iris Print, MUSE-X Editions, Los Angeles, US
- 1994 Metamorphoses: Photography in the Electronic Age, Aperture portfolio Tarentella, Photography Consultant, ITVS feature film directed by Helen De Michiel (1995 Release)
- 1993 The Visit, Art Director and Lighting Designer, Women of the Calabash Music Video, Conduit Communications, Atlanta, GA Absolut Images portfolio, Photographers + Friends United Against Aids, American Photo (May/June 1993)
- 1992 San Jose, mural, Art Program Commission, Hilton Hotel and Towers and The City of San Jose, CA House Without Walls, portfolio for New York City Relief, The Buhl Family Foundation, New York, US
- 1991 High Heels and Ground Glass, video, 29 minutes, produced by Deborah Irmas and Barbara Kasten, June 29th Productions
- 1989 Juxtaposition: Pollock-Krasner Triptych, Pollock Krasner House and Study Center, East Hampton, New York, edition of 50, US
- 1988 The Interpublic Group of Companies, Inc. Annual Report, New York, US 1985 “Esquire Collection,” Esquire 104 no. 3 (September 1985): 47–119

Solo Exhibitions

- 2026 Soloshow at Zachęta – National Gallery of Art, Warsaw, PL
- 2025 „Barbara Kasten: Structure, Light, Land“, The Glass House, New Canaan, US
- 2024 „Site Lines“, De La Warr Pavilion, Bexhill-on-Sea, UK
- 2023 „Barbara Kasten: Works“, Sammlung Goetz, Munich, DE
- Barbara Kasten at Kadel Willborn, Düsseldorf, DE
- „Present Continuous,,“, Thomas Dane Gallery, London, UK
- 2022 „ARCHITECTURAL FICTION, DOCUMENT, Chicago, IL”
- „Works“, Sammlung Goetz, Munich, DE
- „SHIFT“, Bortolami, New York, US
- 2021 „Case Chiuse #12 by Paola Clerico“, Case Chiuse, Milano, IT 2020 „Scenarios“, Aspen Art Museum, Aspen, Colorado, US
- „Barbara Kasten: Works“, Kunstmuseum Wolfsburg, Wolfsburg, DE

- „Chroma“, Hannah Hoffman Gallery at Kristina Kite Gallery, Los Angeles, California, US
- „Barbara Kasten: The Crown Hall Project“, Corbett vs. Dempsey, Chicago, Illinois, US
- „Intervention“, Paramount Studios Back Lot, FriezeLA, Los Angeles, California, US
- „Toronto Mural Public Art Commission“, Toronto, CAN 2019 „Abstract Horizons“, Kadel Willborn, Düsseldorf, DE
- „CONSTRUCTS 1981 - 1982“, Bortolami, New York, US
- „Mies Birthday Party: Bauhaus Descendants“, Mies Van der Rohe Society at Illinois Institute of Technology, S.R. Crown Hall, Chicago, Illinois, US
- 2018 „Futuro“, ARCOmadrid, Madrid, ES
- „Parallels“, Philara Collection, Düsseldorf, DE
- „Barbara Kasten/Chicago“, Artist/City, Bortolami, S.R. Crown Hall, IIT, Chicago, Illinois, US
- 2017 „Barbara Kasten: Intervals“, Thomas Dane Gallery, London, UK
- „Parti Pris“, Bortolami, New York, US
- „Feature: Barbara Kasten“, Kadel Willborn, Art Basel, CH
- 2016 „Barbara Kasten. „I want the eyes to open“ – Josef Albers“, Hannah Hoffmann Gallery, Los Angeles, California, US
- „Barbara Kasten: Stages“, Museum of Contemporary Art Los Angeles, Los Angeles, California, US
- „Staging Architecture“, Kadel Willborn, Düsseldorf, DE 2015
- „Set Motion“, Bortolami Gallery, New York, US
- „Barbara Kasten: Stages“, Graham Foundation, Chicago, US
- „Barbara Kasten: Stages“, Institute of Contemporary Art, University of Pennsylvania, Pennsylvania, US
- „Extended Compositions“, Künstlerhaus Bethanien, Berlin, DE
- „IMAGINE REALITY. RAY
- 2015 Fotografieprojekte Frankfurt / RheinMain“, curated by Peter Gorschlüter, Museum of Modern Art, Frankfurt, DE
- „Photo Lab“, New Mexico Museum of Art, Santa Fe, New Mexico, US
- 2014 Düsseldorf Photo Weekend, Kadel Willborn, Düsseldorf, DE
- 2013 „Scenes“, Kadel Willborn, Düsseldorf, DE
- 2012 „Behind the Curtain“, Jessica Silverman Gallery, San Francisco, California, US
- 2011 „A Matter of Perspective“, Kadel Willborn, Karlsruhe, DE
- „Channel to the New Image“, Friedrich Petzel Gallery, New York, US
- „Ineluctable“, Tony Wight Gallery, Chicago, US
- „Experimental Photography from the 70's“, Gallery Luisotti in Santa Monica, US
- „Remix“, Applied Art, Chicago, US
- 2010 „Shadow = Light“, Gallery Luisotti, Santa Monica, US
- „Abstracting...Light“ Almine Rech Gallery, Paris, FR
- 2009 „Through a Glass Darkly“, Video Installation, SubCity, Fine Arts Building, Chicago, US
- 2007 „Barbara Kasten: Constructs 1979-1983“, Stephen Daiter Gallery, Chicago, US
- 2006 „Constructs“ Yancey Richardson Gallery, NY, US
- 2004 „Abstractions and the Neo-Cubist Order: Photographs of Barbara Kasten, Tampa Gallery of Photography, Tampa, Florida, US
- „Shadow Traces“, Gallery Luisotti, Santa Monica, California, US
- 2002 „Barbara Kasten: Reflections of Egypt“, Art Museum, University of Memphis, Tennessee, US
- 2001 „Constructs: Works from 1979 to 1986“, Gallery Luisotti, Bergamot Station, Santa Monica, California, US
- 2000 „Barbara Kasten: Mythic Figures“, Smallworks Gallery, Las Vegas, Nevada, US
- 1999 John Weber Gallery, New York, US
- „Mythical Figures“, Gallery Luisotti, Bergamot Station, Santa Monica, California, US

- 1998 „Tanagra Goddess“, Yancey Richardson Gallery, New York, US
- 1997 Small Works Gallery, Las Vegas, Nevada, US
- „Barbara Kasten and John Beckmann“, Small Works Gallery, Las Vegas, US
- 1996 „Buried: Goddesses, Temples & Amphoras“, Gallery Luisotti, Bergamot Station, Santa Monica, California, US
- „Through the Lens... and back“, Frederick Spratt Gallery, San Jose, California, US
- „Goddesses, Temples & Relics“, Yancey Richardson Gallery, New York, US
- „Buried“, Herbert F. Johnson Museum of Art, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, US
- 1995 Contemporary Art Center, Vilnius, LT Parchman Stremmel, San Antonio, Texas, US
- 1993 Place Sazaby/Gallery RAM, Los Angeles, California, US
- 1992 d.p. Fong and Spratt Gallery, San Jose, California, US
- John Weber Gallery, New York, US
- „El Médol“, Tinglado 2, Tarragona, ES
- 1991 PARCO Exposure Gallery, Tokyo, JP
- „The Pueblos Series“, URBI et ORBI Galerie, Paris, FR
- „Barbara Kasten: A Retrospective 1980-1990“, Photo Forum, Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, US
- „Barbara Kasten: Works from 1986-1990“, Spirit Gallery, Santa Fe, New Mexico, US
- 1990 John Weber Gallery, New York, US
- „Cliff Dwellings“, Ehlers-Caudill Gallery, Chicago, Illinois, US
- 1989 „Barbara Kasten: Architectural Sites“, International Center of Photography Midtown, New York, US
- The University of the Arts, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, US Krygier Landau
- Contemporary Art, Los Angeles, California, US
- 1988 „Barbara Kasten: Architectural Sites“, Fay Gold Gallery, Atlanta, Georgia, US
- 1987 Loyola University of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois, US
- „Separate Realities: The Photographs of Barbara Kasten“, John Michael Kohler Arts Center, Sheboygan, Wisconsin, US
- „Architectural Sites“, John Weber Gallery, New York, US Richard Green Gallery, Los Angeles, California, US
- Kimo Theater, Albuquerque, New Mexico, US
- 1986 Foster Goldstrom Gallery, Dallas, Texas, US
- Yurakucho Asahi Gallery, Tokyo, JP Keihan Gallery, Osaka, JP
- John Weber Gallery, New York, US
- 1985 G.H. Dalsheimer Gallery, Baltimore, Maryland, US
- „Recent Photographic Constructions“, Vision Gallery, Boston, Massachusetts, US
- Joe and Emily Lowe Art Gallery, Syracuse University, Syracuse, New York, US
- „Constructs“, Port Washington Library, Port Washington, New York, US
- Center for Creative Photography, University of Arizona, Tucson, Arizona, US
- „Exact Seeing“, Capp Street Project, San Francisco, California, US
- „Toward an Interconnectedness of All Things“, Wright State University, Dayton, US
- Santa Barbara Museum of Art, Santa Barbara, California, US
- 1984 The Johnson Museum, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, US
- Columbia College, Museum of Contemporary Photography, Chicago, Illinois, US John Weber Gallery, New York, US
- Karl Bornstein Gallery, Santa Monica, California, US
- 1983 Carol Taylor Art, Dallas, Texas, US
- Barbara Kasten: New Work in Cibachrome and Polaroid, Bernie's Restaurant, Los Angeles, CA
- 1982 „Centric 2“, Art Museum and Galleries, California State University, Long Beach, California, US
- San Francisco Museum of Modern Art, US John Weber Gallery, New York, US

- Herbert F. Johnson Museum of Art, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, US
University of Bridge port, Bridgeport, Connecticut, US
- 1981 „Barbara Kasten: Constructions. Polaroid Photographs“, International Museum of Photography, George Eastman House, New York, US
- 1978 „Non-Camera Blueprints“, The Richard L. Nelson Gallery, University of California, Davis, US
- 1977 Simon Lowinsky Gallery, San Francisco, California, US
- 1976 Jack Glenn Gallery, Newport Beach, California, US The Phoenix Gallery, San Francisco, California, US
- Visual Studies Workshop, Rochester, New York, US
- 1974 Brand Library and Art Center, Glendale, US
- 1973 „Seated Forms“, Isabelle Percy West Gallery, California College of Arts and Culture, Oakland, US
- 1972 „Fiber Sculpture“, Galeria Rzeźby, Warsaw, PL
- 1971 „Fiber Sculpture“, Anneberg Gallery, San Francisco, US

Group Exhibitions

- 2026 „Language and Image: Conceptual and Performance Based Images from the Jorge M. Pérez Collection“, Pérez Art Museum Miami, USA
- 2024/2025 „Making Their Mark: Works from the Shah Garg Collection“, Berkeley Art Museum and Pacific Film Archive, Berkeley, USA
- 2024 „Dialogues“, EMMA - Espoo Museum of Modern Art, Espoo, FIN
- „Photo+: Light, Space and Architecture“, Kadel Willborn, Düsseldorf, DE
- „ICP at 50: From the Collection, 1845-2019“, International Center of Photography, New York, US
- 2023 „Re-Inventing Piet. Mondrian und die Folgen“, Wilhelm-Hack-Museum, Ludwigshafen am Rhein, DE
- „Mapping an Art World: Los Angeles in the 1970s-80s“, Museum of Contemporary Art, Los Angeles, US
- „Long Story Short“, Museum of Contemporary Art, Los Angeles, US
- „Shades of Daphne“, Kasmin, New York, NY
- „Reckless Rolodex“, Gallery 400, University of Illinois at Chicago, Chicago, IL
- „On Living – With Taste“, dépendance, Brussels, Belgium
- 2022 „Re-Inventing Piet. Mondrian und die Folgen“, Kunstmuseum Wolfsburg, DE
- 2021 „Women in Abstraction“, Centre Pompidou, Paris, FR
- 2020 „Bluets“, Curated by Stephanie Cristello Ruslana Lichtzier, presented as part of EXHIBITION Weekend by EXPO CHICAGO, Chicago, Illinois, US
- Busan Biennale: Words at an Exhibition an exhibition in ten chapters and five poems“, Museum of Contemporary Art Busan, Busan, KOR
- „Frieze LA Paramount Studios Back Lot“, Los Angeles, California, US
- „Photography tested by Abstraction“, Frac Normandie Rouen, Rouen, FR
- „89th Exhibition of Visual Artist Members“, The Arts Club of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois, US
- „The Polaroid Project: At the Intersection of Art and Technology“, MIT Museum, Cambridge, US
- „Feminizing Permanence“, St Marys College Museum of Art, Moraga, California, US
- 2019 „After Virginia“, CHART, New York, NY
- „Abstraction in Photography; Zabriskie Gallery 1989“, Chart Gallery, New York, NY, US
- „COLOR MANIA – The Material of Color in Photography and Film“, Fotomuseum Winterthur, Winterthur, CH
- „The Polaroid Project – The Intersection of Art and Technology“, Musée McCord,

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Montreal, CAN

„Daguerreotype, Autochrome, Polaroid 1/1“, The Pushkin State Museum of Fine Arts, Moscow, RU

„Studio Photography: 1887 - 2019“, Simon Lee Gallery, New York, US

„The Sensation of Space“, The Warehouse, Dallas, Texas, US

„In The Hot Seat“, KMAC Museum, Louisville, US

„Sharjah Biennial 14: Leaving the Echo Chamber, Making New Time“, Sharjah Art Foundation, UAE

„Construct NYC“, Martynas Mažvydas National Library of Lithuania, Vilnius, LT

„How We See: Materiality of Color“, Laumeier Sculpture Park, St. Louis, US

„The Expanded Photograph“, Van Deren Coke Gallery, UNM Art Museum, New Mexico, US

2018

„Picture Fiction: Kenneth Josephson and Contemporary Photography“, Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago, Illinois, US

„Under Cover: Where Collection and Archive meet“, The University Art Museum at California State University, Long Beach, California, US

„You Stand on the Ground Floor“, 601Artspace, New York, US

„Bauhaus und Amerika“, LWL-Museum für Kunst und Kultur, Münster, DE

„Shape of Light: 100 Years of Photography and Abstract Art“, Tate Modern, London, UK

„Generations Künstlerinnen im Dialog, Part 1“, Sammlung Goetz, Munich, DE

„The Polaroid Project“, Foundation for the Exhibition of Photography, Amon Carter Museum of American Art, Fort Worth, US; WestLicht Museum für Fotografie, Vienna, AT; c/o Berlin, DE; MIT Museum, Cambridge, US

„Kleine Geschichte(n) der Fotografie (#1)“, Sprengel Museum Hannover, Hannover, DE

„Virginia Woolf. An Exhibition Inspired by Her Writings“, Tate St. Ives, St. Ives, UK

„Brought to Light: Revelatory Photographs in the Santa Barbara Museum of Art Collection“, Santa Barbara Museum of Art, Santa Barbara, California, US

„How We See: Photobooks by Women“, 10x10 Photobooks, Reading Room Exhibition, New York Public Library, New York, US

„The Invitational“, curated by Robert Wainstein, 346 Spadina Ave, Toronto, CAN

„Kinship“, Jessica Silverman Gallery, San Francisco, California, US

„West by Midwest“, Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago, Illinois, US

„The Beauty of Lines. Masterpieces from the Sondra Gilman and Celso Gonzalez-Falla collection“, Musée de l'Élysée, Lausanne, FR

2017

„Leaving the still Image“, Farewell Photography Biennale, Wilhelm-Hack Museum, Ludwigshafen am Rhein, DE

„Generations: Jessica Stockholder/ Barbara Kasten“, curated by Douglas Fogle and Nicola Lees, MiArt, Milan, IT

„Polaroids: The Disappearing“, Nathalie Karg Gallery, New York, US

„Biennale für aktuelle Fotografie 2017 – Farewell Photography“, Wilhelm-Hack-Museum, Ludwigshafen, DE

„L'Été plus vaste que l'Empire“, Wentrup Gallery, Berlin, DE

„Foto Kinetik: Bewegung, Körper & Licht in den Sammlungen“, Museum der Moderne Salzburg, Salzburg, AT

„Labour and Photography“, Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Los Angeles, US

„Enter Stage Left“, Lewis Glucksman Gallery, Cork, IE

„Light Play: Experiments in Photography, 1970s to the Present“, LACMA, Los Angeles, California, US

„Extended Compositions“, Kunsthaus CentrePasquArt, Bienne, CH

„University of Disasters“, Bortolami Gallery, New York, US

„The Polaroid Project“, curated by William Ewing, Barbara Hitchcock, Gary Van

- 2016 Zante, Deborah G. Douglas, and Rebekka Reuter, Amon Carter Museum of American Art, Fort Worth, Texas; WestLicht Museum for Photography, Vienna; C/O Berlin, Berlin; MIT Museum, Cambridge, Massachusetts, US
„Feature“, Art Basel, Galerie Kadel Willborn, Basel, CH
„MoCP at 40“, Museum of Contemporary Photography, Columbia College Chicago, Chicago, Illinois, US
„An Image“, Art Centers South Florida, Miami, Florida, US
„Rotation 2015“, Recent Acquisitions at the California Museum of Photography, University of California, Riverside, US
„Montage“, Off Vendome, New York, US
„On Space and Place: Contemporary Art from Chicago, Los Angeles, Mexico City, and Vancouver“, DePaul Art Museum in collaboration with ART21, DePaul Art Museum, Chicago, Illinois, US
„Abstract Object“, Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, US
„and, something like fire dancing“, Susan Hobbs, Toronto, CA
„Less is a Bore. Reflections on Memphis“, KAI 10, Düsseldorf, DE
„Gist & Gesture“, Kavi Gupta Gallery, Chicago, Illinois, US
„Every Day I Make My Way“, Minerva, Sydney, AUS
„Inszeniert! / Spektakel und Rollenspiel in der Gegenwartskunst“, Kunsthalle München, DE
„Tales of Raciocination“, Campoli Presti, London, UK
„Camera of Wonders“, Centro de la Imágen, México City, MX
„Still Life with Fish: Photography from the Collection“, Hammer Museum, Los Angeles, California, US
„Chicago and Vicinity“, Shane Campbell Gallery, Chicago, Illinois, US
„Vitreous Humour“, Kansas Gallery, New York, US
„Staged: Spectacle and Role Playing in Contemporary Art“, Kunsthalle München, Munich, DE
2015 „Level 2: In the Studio“, TATE Modern, London, UK
Markus Amm, Barbara Kasten, Jaromir Novotny, Dirk Stewen, Karin Guenther, Hamburg, GE
„The Human Apparatus“, Klemm's, Berlin, GE
„Celebrating Photography at the National Gallery of Art: Recent Gifts“, National Gallery of Art, Washington D.C., US
„Camera of Wonders“, curated by Jens Hoffmann, Centro de la Imagen, Mexico City, MX
„Cyanotypes: Photography's Blue Period“, Worcester Art Museum, Worcester, Massachusetts, US
„The Architectural Impulse“, Cristin Tierney Gallery, New York, US
„Extended Compositions“, Künstlerhaus Bethanien, Berlin, DE
„IMAGINE REALITY. RAY 2015, Fotografieprojekte Frankfurt / RheinMain“, MMK Museum für Moderne Kunst, Museum Angewandte Kunst, Fotografie Forum, Frankfurt am Main, DE
„Part Picture“, Museum of Contemporary Canadian Art, Toronto, CAN
„Colors of the Southwest“, New Mexico Museum of Art, Santa Fe, New Mexico, US
„Women and Abstraction“, Cornell Fine Arts Museum, Rollins College, Winter Park, Florida, US
2014 „1980's Style: Image and Design in The Dorsky Museum Collection“, Samuel Dorsky Museum of Art, SUNY New Paltz, US
„A World of Its Own: Photographic Practices in the Studio“, Museum of Modern Art, New York, US
„The Invented Image: Photographs From the Collection“, High Museum of Art, Atlanta, Georgia, US

- 2013
- „Photo Lab“, New Mexico Museum of Art, Santa Fe, New Mexico, US
 - „The Material Image“, curated by Debra Singer, Marianne Boesky Gallery, New York, New York, US
 - „The Will to Architecture“, Museum of Fine Arts Houston, Texas, US
 - „Altarations: Built, Blended, Processed“, University Galleries, Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, FL, US
 - „Barbara Kasten & Sara Barker“, Mary Mary, Glasgow, Laura Barlett Gallery, London, UK
 - „The 5th Dimension“, Ricou Gallery, Brussels, BE
 - „Museum of Modern Art and Western Antiquities Department of Light Recordings, Section IV: Lens Drawings“, Marian Goodman Gallery, Paris, FR
 - „Photography, Reconstructed“, Prague Biennale Photo 3, Prague Biennale 6, Prague, CZ
 - „Black Rabbit, White Hole“, Samuel Freeman Gallery, Los Angeles, US
 - „The Polaroid Years: Instant Photography and Experimentation“, Vassar College, New York, US
 - „Colour Rush: 75 Years of Colour Photography in America“, Milwaukee Museums of Art, Milwaukee, US
 - „Decenter: An Exhibition on the Centenary of the 1913 Armory Show“, Henry Street Settlement's Abrons Arts Center, New York, US
 - „Think First, Shoot Later, Photography from the MCA Collection“, Museum of Contemporary Art Chicago, Chicago, IL, US
 - „Beyond the Object“, Brand New Gallery, Milan, IT
 - „The Stand In (Or a Glass of Milk), Phase 1: An Unbiased Teal“, Public Fiction, Los Angeles, CA, US
 - „Colors! American Photography Transformed“, Amon Carter Museum of American Art, Fort Worth, TX, US
 - „Histories/Photographies“, DePaul Art Museum, Chicago, IL, US
 - „See the Light – Photography, Perception, Cognition: The Marjorie and Leonard Vernon Collection“, Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Los Angeles, CA, US
 - „The Pommery Experience #11, An Odyssey: 30 Years of FRAC Champagne-Ardenne, Reims“, FR
- 2012
- „Verlangsamte Performanec“, curated by Wilhelm Schurmann, Van Horn, Düsseldorf, DE
 - „Barbara Kasten and Justin Beal: Constructs, Abrasions, Melon and Cucumbers“, Bortolami Gallery, New York, US
 - „Tektonika: Barbara Kasten & Magicgruppe Kulturobjekt“, Nürnberger Kunstverein, Nürnberg, DE
 - „Second Nature: Abstract Photography Then and Now“, deCordova Sculpture Park and Museum, Lincoln, MA, US
 - „Construct“, Mary Mary, Glasgow, UK
 - „Lost Line“, Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Los Angeles, CA, US
 - „Eclectic Coherence“, Expo Chicago, Chicago, US
 - „Towards a Warm Math“, On Stellar Rays Gallery, New York, US
- 2011
- „Channel to the New Image“, Friedrich Petzel Gallery, New York, US
 - „Untitled Document“, Tony Wight Gallery, Chicago, US
 - „Constructions, Barbara Kasten and Alexandra Leykauf“, Carl Freedman Gallery, London, UK
 - „From Polaroid to (IM)POSSIBLE, Masterpieces of Instant Photography“, The West-Licht Collection, Vienna, AT
- 2010
- „Distilled Moments“, Santa Barbara Museum of Art, California, US
 - „LISTE“, Basel Art Fair, Basel Switzerland, James Fuentes, New York, NY
 - „Terminus Ante Quem. Shane Hoffmann, Barbara Kasten, Anthony Pearson, Erin

- Shirref, Shane Campbell, Chicago, US
„Immaterial“, Ballroom Marfa, Marfa, US
„NADA“, Miami Basel Art Fair, Tony Wight Gallery, Chicago, US
„Just a Matter of Time“, Galerie Kadel Willborn, Karlsruhe, DE Shane Campbell
Gallery, Chicago, Illinois, US
Monique Meloche, Chicago, Illinois, US
“In a Paperweight“, Tony Wight Gallery, Chicago, Illinois, US
“Let There Be Geo“, A+D Gallery, Columbia College Chicago, Illinois, US “Starburst:
The History of Color Photography in the 1970’s“, The Cincinnati Museum of Art,
Ohio, US
“Picturing the Studio“, School of the Art Institute Sullivan Galleries, US
2009 “Contemporary Abstractions“, Yancey Richardson Gallery, New York, US
“Twilight“, Harris Lieberman Gallery, New York, US
Constructivisms“, Almine Rech Gallery, Brussels, BE
“The Edge of Vision: The Rise of Abstraction in Photography“, Aperture Gallery, New
York, US
“Polaroid: Exp 09.10.09“, Atlas Gallery, London, GB
2008 Re-Considering Color, Postmodern Classical II, The City College, CUNY,
New York, US
„Contemporary Abstraction“, Yancey Richardson Gallery, New York, NY
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