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## SELECTED WORKS

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## PROFILE

"I see a life here, mirrored in this work, and a land, a region and country. All of it being explored bit by bit, first chipping away at the nearby-one's own life-and then, when some acceptance of that is gained, moving on to the interstellar garbage, and the questions raised by the space junk scattered around the desert of the world." –

David Byrne, Talking Heads front man, on the work of artist Bale Creek Allen

# BALE CREEK ALLEN

## SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2023 *Artists Eye*, Kimbell Art Museum, Fort Worth, TX
- 2022 *Selected Works*, BCA Gallery, Fort Worth, TX
- 2021 *Paradise Lost*, BCA Gallery, Fort Worth, TX
- 2020 *What's Wrong with This Picture?* BCA Gallery, Austin, TX
- 2019 *My America*, Texas Gallery, Houston, TX
- 2019 *My America*, The Old Jail Art Center, Albany, TX
- 2019 *My America*, Contemporary Art Museum Plainview, Plainview, TX
- 2018 *My America*, Gerald Peters Gallery, Santa Fe, NM
- 2017 *My America*, Peters Projects Contemporary, Santa Fe, NM
- 2015 *Ceramics & Drawings*, Louis Hopkins Underwood Center, Lubbock, TX
- 2014 *Selected Works*, Visions West Gallery, Denver, CO
- 2013 *Nests* (featuring glass bird eggs by Malu Byrne), Gerald Peters Gallery, Santa Fe, NM
- 2013 *Recent Works*, Visions West Gallery, Denver, CO
- 2012 *Empire*, Creative Visions and Dan Eldon Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
- 2011 *Empire*, Grand Central Art Center, Cal State University Fullerton, Santa Ana, CA
- 2010 *Recent Bronzes*, Solway Jones Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
- 2009 *Selected works from Empire and Tumbleweeds & Tire Treads*, Gallery 210, University of St Louis, MO
- 2007 *Empire*, Gerald Peters Gallery, Santa Fe, NM
- 2006 *Selected Works*, Red Bud Gallery, Houston, TX
- 2005 *Tumbleweeds & Tire Treads*, D. Berman Gallery, Austin, TX
- 2005 *Red Room*, Gallery 68, Flatbed World Headquarters, Austin, TX
- 2004 *Tumbleweeds*, Gerald Peters Gallery, Dallas, TX
- 2003 *Natural Selections*, Arthouse at the Jones Center for Contemporary Art, Austin, TX
- 2003 *Recent Works*, Solway Jones Gallery, Los Angeles, CA

## SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS + COLLABORATIVE

- 2024 *Xanadu*, V Gallery Pasadena Community College, Pasadena, CA
- 2024 *Blood, Sweat and Tears*, Red Bud Arts Center, Houston, TX
- 2023 *Selected Works*, Fort Worth Art Fair, Fort Worth, TX
- 2021 *Summer Show*, Old Jail Art Center, Albany, TX
- 2019 *Flora*, Texas Gallery, Houston, TX
- 2019 *Texas Contemporary Glass Exhibition*, Shreveport Arts Council, Shreveport, LA
- 2019 *Summer Exhibition*, Gerald Peters Gallery, Santa Fe, NM
- 2018 *Come Back with a Warrant*, Frederick Holmes Gallery, Seattle, WA
- 2017 *Group Show*, Flatbed World Headquarters, Austin, TX
- 2017 *Group Show*, Pop Austin International, Austin, TX
- 2017 *Group Show*, Nave Museum, Victoria, TX
- 2017 *Group Show*, Old Jailhouse Art Center & Museum, Albany, TX
- 2017 *Group Show*, Visions West Gallery, Jackson, WY
- 2017 *Group Show*, Gerald Peters Gallery, Santa Fe, NM
- 2017 *Flatbed Prints*, Betty Moody Gallery, Houston, TX
- 2016 *Group Show*, The Rockwell Museum (Smithsonian Affiliate), Corning, NY
- 2016 *Group Show*, Tang Museum, Skidmore College, Saratoga Springs, NY
- 2016 *Group Show*, Charles Adams Gallery, Lubbock, TX
- 2016 *Group Show*, Austin Arts Alliance, Austin, TX
- 2016 *Group Show*, Visions West Contemporary, Bozeman, MT
- 2015 *Get Lost*, a collaboration with Allison Walton, Louise Hopkins Underwood Center, Lubbock, TX



## PUBLIC COLLECTIONS

- Buffalo Bill Museum, Cody, WY
- Kimbell Museum, Fort Worth, TX
- Old Jailhouse Art Center, Albany, TX
- Phillips Lighting Company, Eindhoven, Holland
- The Grace Museum, Abilene, TX
- The Rockwell Museum, Corning, NY



## SELECTED PRIVATE COLLECTIONS

- Bob Schneider
- Bruce Nauman
- David Byrne
- Ed Ruscha
- Emily Proctor
- Ian Moore
- James Surls
- Joe Ely
- Johnny Depp
- Jay Belrose
- Jun Kaneko
- Martie Maguire
- Natalie Maines
- Steve Earl
- Sandra Bullock
- Susan Rothenberg



## SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS + COLLABORATIVE

- 2015 *Group Show*, Holly Johnson Gallery, Dallas, TX
- 2015 *Group Show*, Visions West, Livingston, MT
- 2015 *Group Show*, Charles Adams Gallery, Lubbock, TX
- 2014 *Group Show*, Whitney Western Art Museum (Smithsonian Affiliate), Cody, WY
- 2014 *Group Show*, Rosamund Felsen Gallery, Santa Monica, CA
- 2014 *Group Show*, Modern West Gallery, Salt Lake City, UT
- 2013 *Get Lost*, a collaboration with Allison Walton, The Webb Gallery, Waxahachie, TX
- 2013 *Western Sequels*, Mimar Sinan Fine Arts University, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2013 *Western Sequels*, Athens School of Fine Arts, Athens, Greece
- 2012 *Days and Giorni*, by Bruce Nauman (collaboration as principal lead character featured in the Nauman sound installations), Institute of Contemporary Art, London, UK
- 2011 *American Realism*, Gerald Peters Gallery, Santa Fe, NM
- 2011 *Musicians Who Make Art*, Art Car Museum, Houston, TX
- 2011 *Connections: A Tribute to Ted Pillsbury*, Gerald Peters Gallery, New York, NY
- 2011 *Texas Chair Project*, Columbus Craft Museum, Columbus, OH
- 2011 *Broad Overview*, C4 Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
- 2010 *Days and Giorni*, by Bruce Nauman (principal lead character), Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY
- 2010 *Artists See Satan*, Grand Central Art Center, Cal State Fullerton, Santa Anna, CA
- 2010 *It All Adds Up*, Athenaeum Music and Arts Library, La Jolla, CA
- 2009 *Days and Giorni*, by Bruce Nauman (principal lead character), Venice Biennale, Venice, Italy
- 2008 *Group Show*, Gerald Peters Gallery, Dallas, TX
- 2008 *The Chair Project*, Austin Museum of Art, Austin, TX
- 2007 *Texas Art in Peru*, The Museum of Modern Art, Trujillo, Peru
- 2007 *Texas Art in Peru*, The National Museum, Lima, Peru
- 2007 *Group Show*, Arlington Museum of Art, Arlington, TX
- 2006 *Artists and Music*, Ellen Noel Art Museum, Odessa, TX
- 2006 *Annual Exhibition*, Austin City Hall, Austin, TX
- 2005 *Group Show*, Alte Munze Contemporary Art Center, Salzwedel, Germany
- 2005 *Texas Contemporary Art*, Buddy Holly Center, Lubbock, TX
- 2004 *Group Show*, Galveston Art Center, Galveston, TX
- 2004 *Texas Uprising*, San Antonio Museum of Art and Blue Star Art Center, San Antonio, TX



## SELECTED CURATORIAL PROJECTS

- 2023 Terry Allen: *Homer's Notebook*, BCA Gallery, Fort Worth, TX
- 2023 Sandy Skoglund: *The Outtakes*, BCA Gallery, Fort Worth, TX
- 2023 Jay Wilkinson: *Free Dirt*, BCA Gallery, Fort Worth, TX
- 2023 *Summer Show*, featuring James Surls, Nathan Randall Green, Shelli Tollman, Daniel Johnston, Terry Allen & Billy Copley, BCA Gallery, Fort Worth, TX
- 2023 Karen Hawkins: *The Pink Bow Project*, BCA Gallery, Fort Worth, TX
- 2023 Nathan Randall Green: *I know it's a Distance*, BCA Gallery, Fort Worth, TX
- 2023 James Surls: *Axe and Pencil*, BCA Gallery, Fort Worth, TX
- 2022 Bale Creek Allen: *Selected Works*, BCA Gallery, Fort Worth, TX
- 2022 Zoe Nauman, Spencer Gibb, & Agustin Gonzalez: *Creatures*, BCA Gallery, Fort Worth, TX
- 2022 Daniel Johnston: *Original Drawings & Paintings*, BCA Gallery, Fort Worth, TX
- 2022 Yulia Lanina, Shelli Tollman & Krissy Teegerstrom, BCA Gallery, Fort Worth, TX
- 2022 Billy Copley: *Bag Fees*, BCA Gallery, Fort Worth, TX
- 2022 Will Squibb: *Chekhov's Glock 19*, BCA Gallery, Fort Worth, TX



## SELECTED CURATORIAL PROJECTS

- 2021 Jim Roche: *Some Americans Feel Like This*, BCA Gallery, Fort Worth, TX
- 2021 Bale Creek Allen: *Paradise Lost*, BCA Gallery, Fort Worth, TX
- 2021 Gary Sweeney: *Stuff I've Made*, BCA Gallery, Austin, TX
- 2021 Gary Wong: *Sweet Black Angel*, BCA Gallery, Austin, TX
- 2021 Vargas-Suarez Universal: *Space Junk Telemetry*, BCA Gallery, Austin, TX
- 2021 John Doe & Michael Mogavero: *Promised Land*, BCA Gallery, Austin, TX
- 2020 Jun Kaneko: *Selected Works*, BCA Gallery, Austin, TX
- 2020 Shelli Tollman: *Delicate Disorders*, BCA Gallery, Austin, TX
- 2020 Julie Speed: *A Purgatory of Nuns*, BCA Gallery, Austin, TX
- 2020 Bale Creek Allen: *What's Wrong with This Picture?* BCA Gallery, Austin, TX
- 2019 Andy Coolquitt: *Selected Works*, BCA Gallery, Austin, TX
- 2019 Bale Creek Allen: *Works from the Nineties*, BCA Gallery, Austin, TX
- 2019 James Surls: *Worktable Drawings*, BCA Gallery, Austin, TX
- 2019 *Group Show: LA Women*, BCA Gallery, Austin, TX
- 2018 Darden Smith: *The Habit of Nothing*, BCA Gallery, Austin, TX
- 2018 Kiki Smith: *Bounty*, BCA Gallery, Austin, TX
- 2018 Bob Schneider: *The Onlookers*, BCA Gallery, Austin, TX
- 2018 Jo Harvey Allen: *The Beautiful Waitress*, BCA Gallery, Austin, TX
- 2018 Will Squibb & Malu Byrne: *The Trophoblast*, BCA Gallery, Austin, TX
- 2017 Eddie Ruscha: *Turn on Delights*, BCA Gallery, Austin, TX
- 2017 Hills Snyder: *Your Nowhere is My Somewhere & See You There*, BCA Gallery, Austin, TX
- 2017 Tony Fitzpatrick: *Lunch Drawings*, BCA Gallery, Austin, TX
- 2017 Sharon Kopriva: *Muses, Mutts, and Mortality*, BCA Gallery, Austin, TX
- 2017 Jim Roche: *Some Americans Feel Like This*, BCA Gallery, Austin, TX
- 2016 David Lyle: *Formative Years*, BCA Gallery, Austin, TX
- 2016 Boyd Elder: *4 x 4*, BCA Gallery, Austin, TX



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## SELECTED PERFORMANCE-BASED PROJECTS

- 2011 Writer, director, and performer, "A Pogo is a Logo Upside Down," Grand Central Art Center, Santa Ana, CA
- 1991 Male lead and assistant costume designer, "Painted Black Velvet," directed by Sharon Ely, narrated by Jo Harvey Allen and Jo Carol Pierce, Lubbock Civic Center, Lubbock, TX
- 1987 Co-writer, producer, and male lead in a family collaboration, "Do You Know What Your Children Are Tonight?" Produced by American Inroads, Presented by Theater Artaud, San Francisco Museum of Modern Art, San Francisco, CA
- 1985 "Real Life," a visual musical collaboration with Terry Allen, Jo Harvey Allen and Bukka Allen. Presented and produced by the Aspen Art Museum and Anderson Ranch, Aspen, CO



## FELLOWSHIPS/ARTIST TALKS/GRANTS

- 1998-2004 Arcadia Summer Arts Program Fellowship, Mount Desert Island, ME
- 2011 Artist-in-Residence and Adjunct Professor, Cal State Fullerton University, Museum Exhibition and Performance at Grand Central Art Center, Catalog published by Grand Central Art Center, Fullerton, CA
- 2009 Artist Talk + Presentation of Selected Works from Empire, Tumbleweeds, and Tire Treads series, Gallery 210, University of Missouri, St. Louis, MO
- 1996 Grant Recipient, Art Matters, New York, NY



## GALLERY AFFILIATIONS

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| Texas Gallery, Houston, TX                         | Gerald Peters Gallery, Dallas, TX      |
| BCA Gallery. Fort Worth, TX                        | Gerald Peters Gallery, Santa Fe, NM    |
| Pillsbury and Peters Fine Art, Gallery, Dallas, TX | Soloway Jones Gallery, Los Angeles, CA |



## MUSIC CAREER

As a drummer, Bale Creek Allen has performed with dozens of award-winning musicians, including Joe Ely, Robert Earl Keen, David Byrne, Ryan Bingham, Lyle Lovett, Bill Carter, The Chicks, Alejandro Escovedo, Delbert McClinton, Charlie Sexton, John Doe, and Terry Allen, who Bale joined on stage, along with The Panhandle Mystery Band, at Austin City Limits Live. He is currently collaborating on a family album (title and release date TBD), featuring three generations of Allen-family musicians.



## FILM CREDITS

- 1991 *The Wild Texas Wind*, Assistant Art Director and Designer, Austin, TX
- 1988 *Just Another Weekend*, Actor and Script Contributor, Crested Butte, CO and San Francisco, CA
- 1986 *True Stories*, written and directed by David Byrne, Actor, Dallas, TX 1986



## EDUCATION

- 1991 Diploma of Recognition for Completing Four Years' Work, School of The Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, MA