

## **URS FISCHER**

### **BIOGRAPHY**

1973 born in Zurich

Studied 'Photography' at the Schule für Gestaltung, Zürich

Visited 'de ateliers', Amsterdam

Artist in residence, Delfina Studios, London

Lives and works in New York

### **Solo Exhibitions**

**2010**

*Urs Fischer: Douglas Sirk*, Sadie Coles HQ, London, October 6- December 11, 2010

*Urs Fischer: Oscar the Grouch*, The Brant Foundation, Greenwich, CT, Spring 2010 - Winter 2011

**2009**

New Museum, *Urs Fischer at the New Museum*, New York

**2008**

Galerie Eva Presenhuber, *Blurry Renoir Debussy*, Zurich

**2007**

Cockatoo Island, Kaldor Art Projects and the Sydney Harbour Federation Trust, Sydney  
Church San Stae, Venice, 52nd Venice Biennale (with Ugo Rondinone)

Galerie Eva Presenhuber, *large, dark & empty*, Zurich

Gavin Brown's enterprise, New York

Regen Projects, Los Angeles

Sadie Coles HQ, London

**2006**

Museum Boijmans van Beuningen, *Paris 1919*, Rotterdam

Galerie Eva Presenhuber, Zurich

blaffergallery, The Art Museum of the University of Houston, *Urs Fischer: Mary Poppins*, Houston, Texas

The Modern Institute, *Oh. Sad. I see.*, Glasgow

Galleria Massimo de Carlo, Milan

**2005**

Gavin Brown's Enterprise, *Fig, Nut & Pear*, New York

Fondazione Nicola Trussardi, *Jet Set Lady*, Milan

Camden Arts Center, London

Hamburger Bahnhof, Flick Collection, Berlin

Hydra Workshops, *Mr. Watson --- Come Here --- I Want to See You*, Hydra, Greece

**2004**

Sadie Coles, HQ, *Elton John?*, London

Centre Pompidou, 315, Paris

Kunsthaus Zürich, *Kir Royal*, Zürich  
Gruppe Oesterreichische Guggenheim, *Feige, Nuss und Birne*, Wien

**2003**

Gavin Brown's Enterprise, *portrait of a single raindrop*, New York  
HQ Sadie Coles, *need no chair when walking*, London\*

**2002**

Santa Monica Museum of Art, Project Room, *What should an Owl do with a Fork*,  
Santa Monica  
The Modern Institute, *Mystique Mistake*, Glasgow  
Contemporary Fine Arts, *Bing Crosby*, Berlin

**2001**

Galerie Hauser & Wirth & Presenhuber, *Mastering the Complaint*, Zurich  
Delfina, Capillon – *Urs just does it for the girls*, (with Amy Adler), London  
Kunsthaus Glarus, *Tagessuppen/Soups of the Days and Domestic Pairs Project*, (with Keith  
Tyson), Glarus  
Stedelijk Museum Bureau, *The Membrane – Why I don't mind bad-mooded People*,  
Amsterdam  
Institute of Contemporary Art (ICA), *Without a Fist – Like a Bird*, London

**2000**

Delfina, Capillon – *Urs just does it for the girls*, (with Amy Adler), London  
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Keith Tyson), Glarus  
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Amsterdam  
Institute of Contemporary Art (ICA), *Without a Fist - Like a Bird*, London

**1999**

Galerie Hauser & Wirth & Presenhuber, *Espressoqueen – Worries and other stuff you  
have to think about before you get ready for the big easy*, Zurich

**1997**

Galerie Walcheturm, *Hammer*, Zurich

**1996**

Galerie Walcheturm, *Urs Fischer*, Zurich

**Group Exhibitions**

**2011**

Urs Fischer & Georg Herold, The Modern Institute, Glasgow, July 2 – September 3, 2011

**2010**

"Investigations of a Dog" Works from the FACE (Foundation of Arts for a  
Contemporary Europe Collections) Presented by the Ellipse Foundation, Art

Centre, Cascais, Portugal, May 15- September 5, 2010

"Skin Fruit: Selections from the Dakis Joannou Collection," New Museum, New York,  
March 3 – June 6, 2010

## 2009

"A Guest + A Host = A Ghost," DESTE Foundation, Athens, May 7 –December 31, 2009

"Precarious Form I: Prekäre Skulpturen," Galerie Meyer Kainer, Vienna, September 9 –  
October 17, 2009

*Saints and Sinners*, Rose Art Museum, Brandeis University, Waltham, Massachusetts

## 2008

Fondazione Morra Greco, Malmo Art Museum, Malmo

Chateau de Fontainebleau, Chateau de Tokyo / Palais de Fontainebleau, Fontainebleau  
Tel Aviv Museum, Tel Aviv

Tony Shafrazi Gallery, *Who's Afraid of Jasper Johns?*, a show conceived by Urs Fischer  
and Gavin Brown, New York

Migros Museum fur Gegenwartskunst, *Sammlung / Collection*, Zurich

Malmo Konsthall, *The Hamsterwheel*, Malmo

Galeria Fortes Vilaca, *God is Design*, curated by Neville Wakefield, Sao Paulo

Jumex Collection, Ecatepec, Mexico

Bard College, Annandale-on-Hudson, NY

Kunstmuseum Luzern, *Blasted Allegories. Works from the Ringier Collection*, Luzern

## 2007

Rubell Family Collection, *Euro-Centric, Part 1: New European Art from the Rubell Family  
Collection*, Miami

House Eva Presenhuber VNA, *Jubilee Exhibition*, Engiandina Bassa, Switzerland

Vanhaerents Art Collection, *Disorder in the House*, Brussels

Museion, *Domestic Irony*, Bozen

Palazzo Grassi, Pinault Collection, *Sequence 1*, Venice

Tese della Novissima, Arsenale di Venezia, *The Hamster Wheel*, Venice

MUMOK und Kunsthalle, *Traum and Trauma. Works from The Dakis Joannou  
Collection*, Athens, Vienna

Biennale de Lyon

Palais de Tokyo, *The Third Mind*, curated by Ugo Rondinone, Paris

Festival Printemps De Septembre, *The Hamster Wheel*, Toulouse

Deste Foundation Centre for Contemporary Art, *Fractured Figure*, N. Ionia, Athens

Barbara Gladstone Gallery, *Modelers & Makers: Works in Ceramic*, New York

The New Museum, *Unmonumental: The Art Object in the 21st Century*, New York

## 2006

The Hugh Lane Museum, *The Studio*, Dublin

P.S.1 MoMA, *Defamation of Character*, New York, Long Island City

Galleria Luisa Strina, *Contrabando*, Sao Paulo

Stedelijk Museum, *The Vincent 2006*, Amsterdam

Palais de Tokyo, *Cinq milliards d' années*, Paris

Museum Abteiberg, *Strange I've Seen That Face Before*, Mönchengladbach

The Palazzo Grassi, *Where are we going?*, selection from the François Pinault  
Collection, Venice

Villa Manin Centre of Contemporary Art, *Infinite Painting – Contemporary Painting and Global Realism*,  
Passariano, Codroipo (Udine)  
Whitney Biennial 2006, *Day for Night*, New York  
Centre Pompidou, *Big Bang*, Paris

**2005**

Gallerie Civica d'Arte Contemporanea di Siracusa, *Ma Non Al Sud*, Siracusa  
Cobra Museum of Modern Art, Amstelveen (Amsterdam)  
Sammlung Hauser & Wirth, (*Swiss Made*) *The Art of Falling Apart*, St. Gallen  
Reykjavik Art Museum, Reykjavik  
Rivington Arms, *Put It In Your Mouth / I'll see you on the dark side of the prune*, New York  
Bortolami Dayan Gallery, *Closing Down*, New York  
Galleria Civica d'arte contemporanea Montevergini, *Ma non al sud*, Siracusa  
Museum of Contemporary Art, *Universal Experience: Art, Life, and the Tourist's Eye*, Chicago  
Modern Institute Glasgow, *Urs Fischer*, Glasgow

**2004**

Kunsthalle Wien, *Skulptur: Prekarer Realismus zwischen Melancholie und Realismus*, Vienna  
Deste Foundation, *Monument to Now*, Athen  
Regen Projects, *Group Show*, Los Angeles  
Migros Museum für Gegenwartskunst, *L'Air du Temps – Collection Printemps/Été 2004*, Zürich

**2003**

Galerie Giti Nourbakhsh, *silver convention*, Berlin  
Galerie Grimm & Rosenfeld, Munich  
Biennale di Venezia, *Dreams and Conflicts: The Viewer's Dictatorship*, Venice  
Kunsthalle Bremen, *Kunstpreis der Böttcherstrasse*, Bremen  
Migros Museum für Gegenwartskunst, *Bewitched Bothered and Bewildered*, Zürich  
Kunsthalle Zürich, *Durchzug-Draft*, Zürich

**2002**

NICC, *Exile on Main Street*, Antwerpen  
The Henry Moore Institute, *The Object Sculpture*, Leeds  
Charlottenborg exhibition space, *My head is on fire but my heart is full of Love*, Copenhagen  
Swiss Institute, *Lowland Lullaby* (with Ugo Rondinone John Giorno), New York

**2001**

Museo Serralves, *Squatters*, Porto  
Kestner-Gesellschaft, *Ziviler Ungehorsam*, Hannover  
Klemes Gasser & Tanja Grunert, *Enduring Love*, New York

**2000**

Sommer Contemporary Art, *Drawings*, Tel Aviv

European Biennial of Contemporary Art *Manifesta 3*, Ljubljana  
Sammlung Hauser und Wirth in der Lokremise St. Gallen, *Sammlung (1). The Oldest Possible Memory*, St. Gallen

**1999**

Kunsthalle Zürich, *Eidgenössische Preise für Freie Kunst*, Zurich  
Centro d'Arte Contemporanea Ticino, 999, Bellinzona  
Palazzo delle Pappesche, *Le repubbliche dell'arte*, Siena  
Entwistle Gallery, *Holding Court*, London

**1998**

Museum für Gegenwartskunst, *ironisch/ironic*, Zurich  
De Ateliers, *de ateliers*, Amsterdam

**1997**

Hotel, *Dokumentation*, Zurich  
Fondazione Sandretto Re Rebaudengo per l'Arte, Torino  
Centre Genevois de Gravure Contemporain, été 97, Geneva  
1995/96  
Stedelijk Museum Bureau, *Calypso* (with Antonietta Peeters and Avery Preesman),  
Amsterdam

**1995**

Binz 39, *Assistent* (with Maurus Gmür), Zurich  
South London Gallery, *Karaoke 444&222 too*, London  
Kunsthaus Glarus, *Bundesstipendianten*, Glarus  
Awards and grants

**1999**

Providentia-Preis, YoungArt  
Bundesamt für Kultur, *Eidgenössisches Stipendium für freie Kunst*, Zurich

**1997**

*Kiefer-Hablitzel Stipendium*

**1995**

Bundesamt für Kultur, *Eidgenössisches Stipendium für freie Kunst*, Zurich