# **Erick Swenson**

## Born

1972 Phoenixville, PA

Currently lives and works in Dallas, TX

### Education

1999 B.F.A. Studio Art, Painting/Drawing, School of Visual Arts, University of North Texas,

Denton, TX

### **Awards**

2004 The Joan Mitchell Painters and Sculptors Grant Program Award, The Joan Mitchell

Foundation

The Arch and Anne Giles Kimbrough Fund, The Dallas Museum of Art, Dallas, TX

## **Selected Solo Exhibitions**

2017	Erick Swenson, Talley Dunn Gallery, Dallas, TX
2014	Erick Swenson: Ne Plus Ultra, Canzani Center Gallery, Columbus College of Art and Design, Columbus, OH
2012	Sightings, Nasher Sculpture Center, Dallas, TX
2010	James Cohan Gallery, NYC
2009	Caught Captive, Red Gallery, Savannah College of Art and Design, Savannah, GA, traveled to Trois Gallery, Savannah College of Art and Design, Atlanta, GA
2007	James Cohan Gallery, NYC
2005	Q.E.D., Los Angeles, CA
2004	James Cohan Gallery, NYC
2003	UCLA Hammer Museum, Los Angeles, CA
2002	Villa Stuck, Munich, Germany
1998	Obviously a Movie, Angstrom Gallery, Dallas, TX
1996	Push to Prime, Diverse Works Art Space, Houston, TX Microwaveable, Good/Bad Art Collective, Denton, TX

# **Selected Group Exhibitions**

2015	The Real Show, The Old Jail Art Center, Albany, TX Destination Unknown, Talley Dunn Gallery, Dallas, TX
2014	CVAD Alumni Showcase at UNT Artspace Dallas, Dallas, TX Re-presenting Representation VIII, Arnot Art Museum, Elmira, NY
2013	Back Room, Talley Dunn Gallery, Dallas, TX Ex Libris, Talley Dunn Gallery, Dallas, TX
2012	Bending the Mirror, Columbus College of Art and Design, Columbus, OH Collapse, RH Gallery, New York, NY
2011	New Variations, Talley Dunn Gallery, Dallas, TX Selections from the Permanent Collection, Modern Art Museum of Fort Worth, Fort Worth, TX
2010	Floor Plan, Dunn and Brown Contemporary, Dallas, TX
2009	10th Anniversary Exhibition, Dunn and Brown Contemporary, Dallas, Texas Young Americans, James Cohan Gallery Shanghai, Shanghai, China
2008	Like animals (Comme des bêtes), Musée des Beaux-Arts, Lausanne, Switzerland
2007	Art in America, Now, Shanghai MOCA, Shanghai, China
2006	USA Today, The Saatchi Gallery, London, England Road Agent Ambush 2006 (Stand and Deliver: Your Money or Your Life), Road Agent, Dallas, TX A Brighter Day, James Cohan Gallery, New York, NY
2005	Springtide, Institute of Contemporary Art, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA
2004	Summer Show, James Cohan Gallery, NYC Whitney Biennial Exhibition, Whitney Museum of American Art, NYC Natural Histories: Realism Revisited, Scottsdale Museum of Contemporary Art, Scottsdale, AZ
2003	Air, James Cohan Gallery, New York, NY Erick Swenson and Ricky Swallow, Karen Lovegrove Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
2002	Summer, James Cohan Gallery, New York, NY
2001	Swallow Swenson, Museum of Contemporary Art, Sydney, Australia, curator Rachel Kent (catalogue)  New Orleans Triennial, New Orleans Museum of Art, Louisiana, curator William A. Fagley (catalogue)  The Big Id, James Cohan Gallery, New York, NY
2000	Keith Edmier, Ricky Swallow, Erick Swenson, Andrea Rosen Gallery, New York, NY

Out of the Ordinary: New Art From Texas, Contemporary Arts Museum, Houston, TX, curators Lynn Herbert and Paola Morsiani (catalogue)

Artistic Centers: Dallas/Ft Worth, TFAA/Jones Center for Contemporary Art, Austin, TX, curator Suzanne Weaver, Assistant Curator of Contemporary Art, Dallas Museum of Art, Charles Wiley, Curator of Contemporary Art, Dallas Museum of Art, TX (traveled) Natural Deceits, Fort Worth Museum of Modern Art, Fort Worth, TX, curator Michael Auping (catalogue)

1999 Description Without Place, Staff USA/AC Project Room, New York, NY

Fire Sale 2000, Angstrom Gallery, Dallas, TX

Good/Bad Art Collective: Joey on ICU, ABC no Rio, New York, TX

True Stories, Arlington Museum of Art, Arlington, TX, curators Joan Davidow and Sean Slattery (catalogue)

Senior Show, Cora Stafford Gallery, University of North Texas, Denton, TX

1998 Texas Dialogues Parallels, Blue Star Art Gallery, San Antonio, TX, curator Franco Mondini-

Ruiz

We Sorry, Artlies Magazine, Summer, p. 4

Good/Bad Burns, Good/Bad Art Collective, Denton, TX Welcome to Important Town, Conduit Gallery Annex, Dallas, TX Its a Peeece in Itself, Good/Bad Art Collective, Denton, TX

1997 Wee Coma, Good/Bad Art Collective, Denton, TX

Hallownas, Good/Bad Art Collective, Denton, TX

Strange Loops, Good/Bad Art Collective, Denton, TX, curator Sean Slattery Very Fake, but Real, Diverse Works Art Space, Houston, TX (catalogue) Red Rover Issues, Revolution Summer Art Space, Houston, TX (catalogue),

July 4

One Person Show Featuring ..., Good/Bad Art Collective, Denton, TX Gay Art/Straight Play, Good/Bad Art Collective, Denton, TX

1996 Isolation Chamber, Good/Bad Art Collective, Denton, TX

el clumsio, Angstrom Gallery, Dallas, TX

Sailors on Shoreleave: the Designs of Bob Mackie, 500X Gallery, Dallas, TX

Popo y Lupe, Good/Bad Art Collective, Denton, TX

Mad, Good/Bad, and Dangerous to Know, Good/Bad Art Collective, Denton, TX

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2017	Granberry, Michael, "Erick Swenson raises existential questions with his one-of-a-kind artwork," Dallas News, January 21.
2014	Triggs, Jesse, "Exhibit preview: CCAD continues amazing run with 'Erick Sweson: Ne Plus Ultra'," Columbus Alive, July 17, 2014.
2012	Simek, Peter, "The Labor of the Idea", <i>D Magazine</i> , June 5, 2012 Weeks, Jerome, "Death + Poetry in Plastic: Erick Swenson at the Nasher", Art + Seek, April 25, 2012 Granberry, Michael, "Scavenging for Life's Meaning", <i>The Dallas Morning News</i> , April 22, 2012 Robinson, Gaile, "Sculptor Erick Swenson's Shell Games", <i>DFW.com</i> , April 18, 2012 Gamerman, Ellen, "An Art Fair with a Texas Twist", <i>The Wall Street Journal</i> , April 6, 2012 Brinkley, Rob, "Sightings: Erick Swenson", <i>The Dallas Morning News</i> , March 29, 2012
2011	Branch, Kathryn, "The Jam I Spencer Sweeney", The New York Times Style Magazine, July 1, 2011
2010	Grobmyer, Melissa, "Art Basel Miami," Glasstire, December 2010
	Simek, Lucia, "Dunn and Brown's Summer Show Engages the Gallery's All-Star Artists in Conversation," <i>D Magazine</i> , July 15, 2010
2009	Hersh, Allison, "Art and Soul: (Un)Natural history," Savannah Morning News – Savannah Now, August 23, 2009
2007	"Recommended: Erick Swenson, James Cohan Gallery," <i>TimeOut New York</i> , May 17, 2007 Goodbody, Bridget. "Erick Swenson," <i>Art in Review, The New York Times</i> , June 15, 2007. <i>Art in Action</i> (exhibition catalogue). San Francisco: The Natural World Museum. Text by Noa Jones with forward by Achim Steiner. Curated by Barry Rosenberg.
2006	Falconer, Morgan, "The States They're In," <i>The Times</i> , London, England, October 4, 2006 Gibb, Brian, "Erick Swenson Interview," <i>Art Prostitute</i> , August 2006 Lewis, Caroline, "Saatchi's USA Today at The Royal Academy of Arts London," review, <i>24 Hour Museum</i> , May 2006 Kutner, Janet, "Portrait in Obsession," <i>Dallas Morning News</i> , July 19, 2006
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