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EDUCATION

1996-1998 Goldsmiths University, MA, Fine Art
1991-1994 Humberside University, BA (Hons), Fine Art

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

(*publication/catalogue)

2022 *We have come to display but may come back to destroy*, Casey Kaplan, New York, NY

2019 *UNDERGROUND*, Maureen Paley, London, UK

2017 *Lush Underground*, Galeria Pedro Cera, Lisboa, Portugal

2016 *Loved Underground*, Meyer Riegger, Karlsruhe, Germany

2012 Maureen Paley, London, United Kingdom

2010 *Peace not Pacifism*, Casey Kaplan, New York, NY
Perfume Against the Sulphurous Stinke of the Snuffe of the Light for Smoak, Meyer Riegger, Karlsruhe, Germany

2009 *A Weak Light Flickering*, Meyer Riegger, Berlin, Germany.
David Thorpe Veils and Shelters, Kunstverein Hannover, Hannover, Germany*

2008 Museum Kurhaus Kleve, Germany

2007 Meyer Riegger, Karlsruhe, Germany
The Defeated Life Restored, Kunsthaus Glarus, Glarus, Switzerland;
Camden Arts Centre, London, United Kingdom; Kurhaus Kleve, Kleve, Germany*

2006 *A Meeting of Friends*, Worcester Art Museum, Worcester, MA

2005 Maureen Paley, London, United Kingdom
303 Gallery, New York, NY

2004 *The Colonists*, Meyer Riegger Galerie, Karlsruhe, Germany.
The Colonists, Art Now Space, Tate Britain, London, United Kingdom

2003 Taro Nasu Gallery, Tokyo, Japan

2002 Maureen Paley, Interim Art, London, United Kingdom
1999 Maureen Paley, Interim Art, London, United Kingdom

GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2026 *Nearly 31*, Casey Kaplan, New York, NY

2025 *Works on Paper*, Casey Kaplan, New York, NY

2023 *This Isn't Who It Would Be, If It Wasn't Who It Is*, Casey Kaplan, NY

2020 *A Means To An End*, Galerie Meyer Riegger, Germany

2019 *Modern Nature*, Drawing Room, London, UK (C)

2018 *Malevolent Eldritch Shrieking*, AttercliffeTM, Sheffield, UK

2017 *And Then There Were None*, Meyer Riegger, Karlsruhe, Germany

2016 *Sitting on a Branch*, von Bartha, Basel, Switzerland

2014 *Never Look Back When Leaving*, Casey Kaplan, NY
Half Past Noon, Centre d'art Neuchâtel (CAN), Neuchâtel, Switzerland

2013 *Labour and Wait*, Santa Barbara Museum of Art, Santa Barbara, CA*
Drawing a Universe, Curated by Ludwig Seyfarth, Arthena Foundation, Düsseldorf, Germany

2012 *Heather & Ivan Morison, Ben Rivers, and David Thorpe*, The Hepworth Wakefield, Wakefield, UK
No. 17, Casey Kaplan, NY
The Power of Paper, Saatchi Gallery, London, UK

2011 **Shape of Things to Come: New Sculpture*, Saatchi Gallery, London, UK
From the Recent Past: New Acquisitions, curated by Alma Ruiz, Museum of Contemporary Art, Los Angeles, CA

2010 *Reflection: 15 Years*, Casey Kaplan, New York, NY
The Library of Babel / In and Out of Place, 176 / Zabłudowicz Collection, London

2009 *The Dark Monarch: Magic and Modernity in British Art*," Tate St. Ives, St. Ives, United Kingdom, touring to the Towner Art Gallery, Eastbourne *
Delusional Virtuosity, Stedelijk Museum Schiedam, Schiedam, The Netherlands

2008 *Haus und Himmel*, Museum Kurhaus, Kleve, Germany

2007 *Three for Society*, 303 Gallery, New York, NY

2006 China Art Objects Galleries, Los Angeles, CA
Sleep of Urlo," curated by Goshka Macuga, A Foundation, Liverpool, United Kingdom
Toutes Compositions Florales, Counter Gallery, London, United Kingdom

- 2005 *Blake & Sons – Alternative Lifestyles and Mysticism in Contemporary Art*, The Lewis Gluksman Gallery, University College, Cork, United Kingdom
Ideal Worlds: New Romanticism in Contemporary Art, Schirn Kunsthalle, Frankfurt, Germany*
The British Art Show 6, Hayward Gallery, London, United Kingdom, touring exhibition*
The Triumph of Painting, The Saatchi Gallery, London, United Kingdom*
- 2004 *Not Afraid*, Rubell Family Collection, Wynwood Art District, Miami, FL*
Into My World, The Aldrich Contemporary Art Museum, Ridgefield, CT
Edge of the Real - A Painting Show, Whitechapel Art Gallery, London, United Kingdom
- 2003 *Bootleg*, Spitalfields Market, London, United Kingdom
- 2002 *We all love ...*, The Mission, London, United Kingdom
Drawing Now: Eight Propositions, Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY*
Per Saldo, Noordbrabants Museum's-Hertogenbosch, The Netherlands
Tailsliding, Bergen Centre for Contemporary Art, Norway; Vilnius Centre of Contemporary Art, Lithuania; Rotermann Salt Storage, Art Museum of Estonia, Tallinn, Estonia; CASA, Salamanca, Spain; Turku Art Museum, Finland; Brno House of Arts, Czech Republic
The Necessary Enemy, Bart Wells Institute, London, United Kingdom
Beyond Barbizon, Elias Fine Art, Allston, MA
Painted, Printed and Produced in Great Britain, Grant Selwyn Fine Art, New York, NY
A Collection, ABNAMro Bank*
- 2001 *Futureland 2001*, Museum Abteiberg, Mönchengladbach, Germany
Sages, Scientists and Madmen, One in the Other, London, United Kingdom
Extended Painting, Monica de Cardenas, Milan, Italy
- 2000 *Future Perfect: Art on How Architecture Imagined the Future*, Cornerhouse Manchester; Centre for Visual Arts, Cardiff, United Kingdom
Salon, Delfina Project Space, London, United Kingdom
Twisted. Urban and Visionary Landscapes in Contemporary Painting, Van Abbe Museum, Eindhoven, The Netherlands*
The Wreck of Hope, The Nunnery Gallery, London, United Kingdom
Wooden Heart, AVCO, London, United Kingdom
- 1999 *Idlewild*, The Approach, London, United Kingdom
Heart & Soul, 60 Long Lane, London, United Kingdom
The Sea, The Sea, Murray Guy, New York, NY
- 1998 *Die Young Stay Pretty*, ICA, London, United Kingdom*
Cluster Bomb, Morrison Judd Gallery, London, United Kingdom
Ruislip, De Pracktijk, Amsterdam, The Netherlands
Post Neo-Amatuerism, Chisenhale Gallery, London, United Kingdom
Futures for the Young, Axel Morner Gallery, Stockholm, Sweden
Printemps, Deutsch Britische Freundschaft, London, United Kingdom
Sunshine Breakfast, Michael Janssen Gallery, Cologne, Germany
Sociable Realism, Stephen Friedman Gallery, London, United Kingdom
The New Neurotic Realism, The Saatchi Gallery, London, United Kingdom*

- 1997 *David Thorpe and Simon Periton*, Habitat, Kings Road, London, United Kingdom
Need for Speed, Grazer Kunstverein Steirischer Herbst 97, Graz, Austria
B.O.N.G.O, Bricks and Kicks, Gallery, Vienna, Austria
David Thorpe and Simon Hollington, City Racing, London, United Kingdom
- 1996 *Angels*, Standpoint Gallery, London, United Kingdom

RESIDENCIES

- 2022 Corsicana Artist Residency

PERMANENT COLLECTIONS

The Albright Knox Museum, Buffalo, NY
Landesmuseum für Kunst und Kulturgeschichte, Münster, Germany
Museum Kurhaus, Kleve, Germany
Museum of Contemporary Art, Los Angeles, CA

PUBLICATIONS

- 2010 *David Thorpe: Veils and Shelters of Sparkles of Glory or Perfume Against the Sulphurous Stinke of the Snuffe or the Light for Smoak*, Kunstverein Hannover, Germany
- 2008 *David Thorpe*, Museum Kurhaus, Kleve, Germany.
- 2007 *The Defeated Life Restored*, Camden Arts Centre, London, United Kingdom.
- 2004 *A Rendezvous with my Friends of Liberty*, Revolver, Archiv für aktuelle Kunst, Frankfurt, Germany.

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Núñez-Fernández, Lupe, "The Shape of Things to Come: New Sculpture", London: Saatchi Gallery, 2011, p. 118
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 "Sumpter, Helen, Ward, Ossian, Fresh Set of Eyes," Time Out, 23 October 2008, p. 20-23
 Wood, Catherine, Focus London, "Artists Directory: David Thorpe," Flash Art, October 2008, p. 97
- 2007 Buck, Louisa, "In Vogue: It's Showtime," Vogue, May 2007, p. 73-74.
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- 2005 Dorment, Richard, "When Beauty Shocks You Into Silence," Telegraph, 27 September 2005
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- 2004 Sweet, Matthew, "Outsider Art", The Independent Magazine, 23 October
 Wood, Catherine, "David Thorpe: Meyer Riegger, Karlsruhe," Frieze, No. 84, June – August
 Thorpe, David, "The Kingdom of Seekers," Metropolis M, Nr. 2 April/May
- 2003 Gronlund, Melissa, "Drawing Now: Eight Propositions", Contemporary, Issue 47/48
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