

# ***UNMADE***

CHRISTIAN FAGERLUND

MAY 12 - JUNE 16



LILIANA BLOCH GALLERY

# UNMADE

## EXHIBITION STATEMENT

Unmade, Christian Fagerlund's first exhibition at Liliana Bloch Gallery consists of two recent series of oil paintings. The first is a group of back portraits. Using a relatively consistent setting, composition, and scale, these paintings collectively explore themes of self, specificity, and vulnerability.

The second series represents a departure from Fagerlund's figurative realist approach and its focus on naturalistic drawing and form. These paintings are distillations of complex visual moments—records of a specific time and location, scrupulously observed and represented as ratio, value, and color.

# CHRISTIAN FAGERLUND

## ARTIST STATEMENT

*I am interested in the subtleties that rise when things settle, whether in a landscape, an interior, a human body or face, or the inert objects around me. A great deal happens in these moments of stillness where time seemingly expands. I capture the subtleties of light, color, form, expression, and mood that are born out of this settling.*

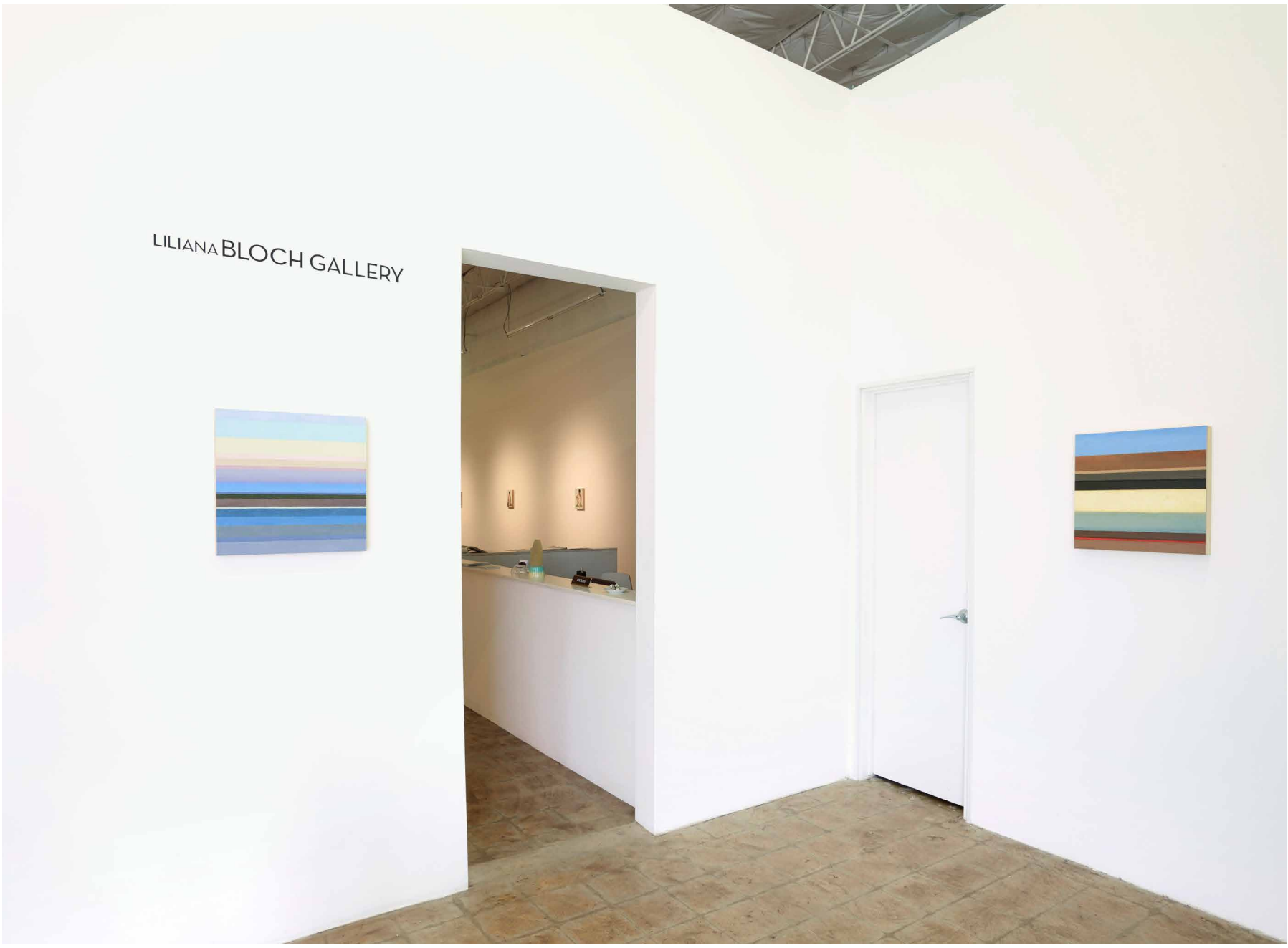
*In my figurative work, I am first and foremost attracted to form—the ways in which light interacts with, enhances, and plays against it. Light is an equal participant: a clear and assertive entity. A love for this relationship between light and form, a strong sense of design/composition, and an understanding of the power of color, are at the core of my process.*

*Scale is also an important aspect of my work; I tend to work either very small or very large. The intentional shift away from a “normal” scale dramatically affects the content, meaning, and interpretation of a piece. In my small-scale figure paintings, I create an intimate experience that is immersive for the viewer, and potent with attention, consideration, and description.*

*Regardless of my subject matter or approach, I purge the frivolous in order to create a distilled and refined interpretation of my subject: one that is honest, subtle, and considered.*

- Christian Fagerlund

LILIANA BLOCH GALLERY



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**Susie**  
2018  
oil on panel  
10.75" h x 8" w





**Angela**  
2018  
oil on panel  
10.75" h x 8" w



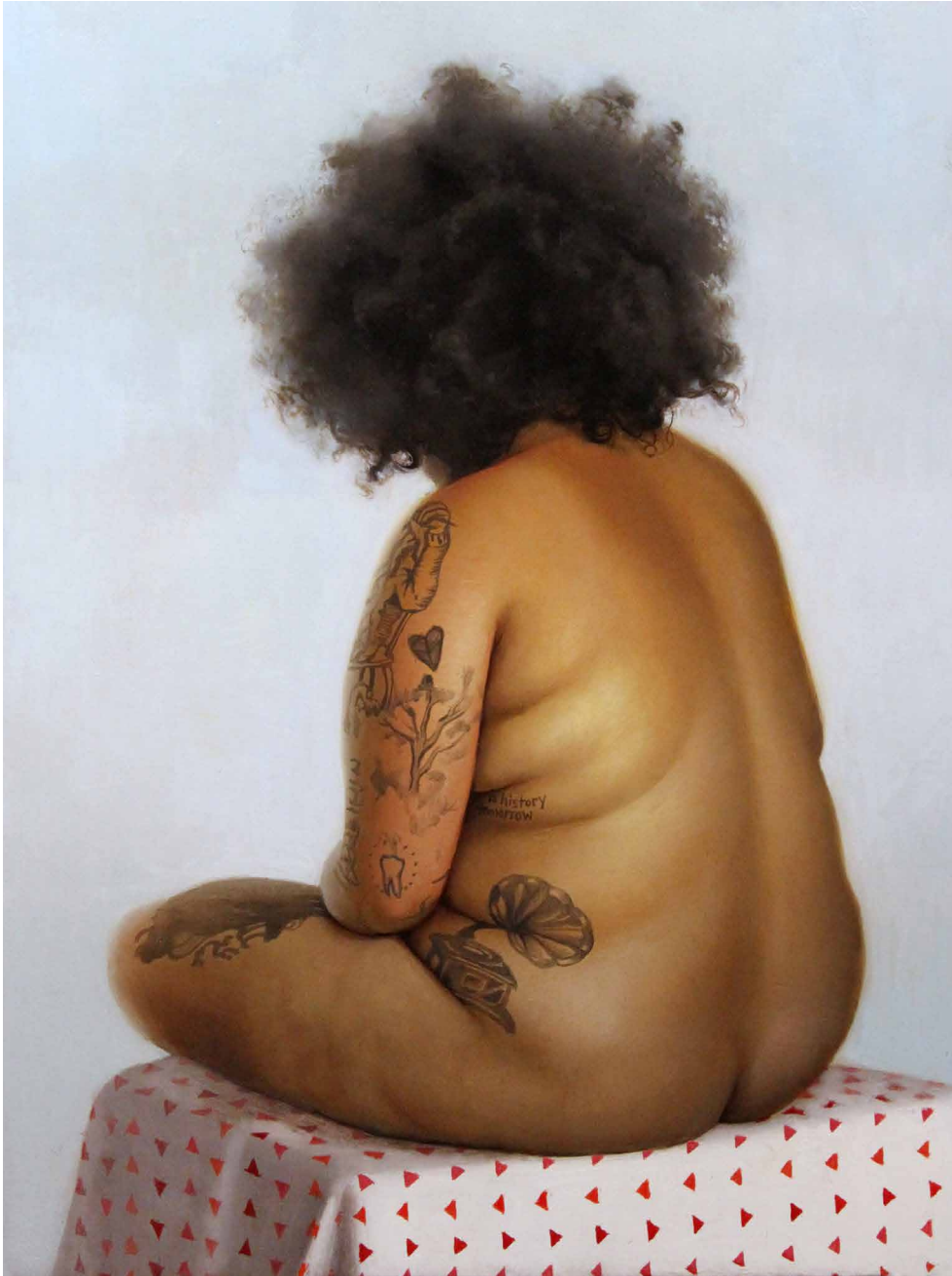
**Josh**  
2018  
oil on panel  
10.75" h x 8" w



**Erin**  
2018  
oil on panel  
10.75" h x 8" w



**Conor**  
2018  
oil on panel  
10.75" h x 8" w



**Regine**  
2018  
oil on panel  
10.75" h x 8" w



**Alec**  
2018  
oil on panel  
10.75" h x 8" w

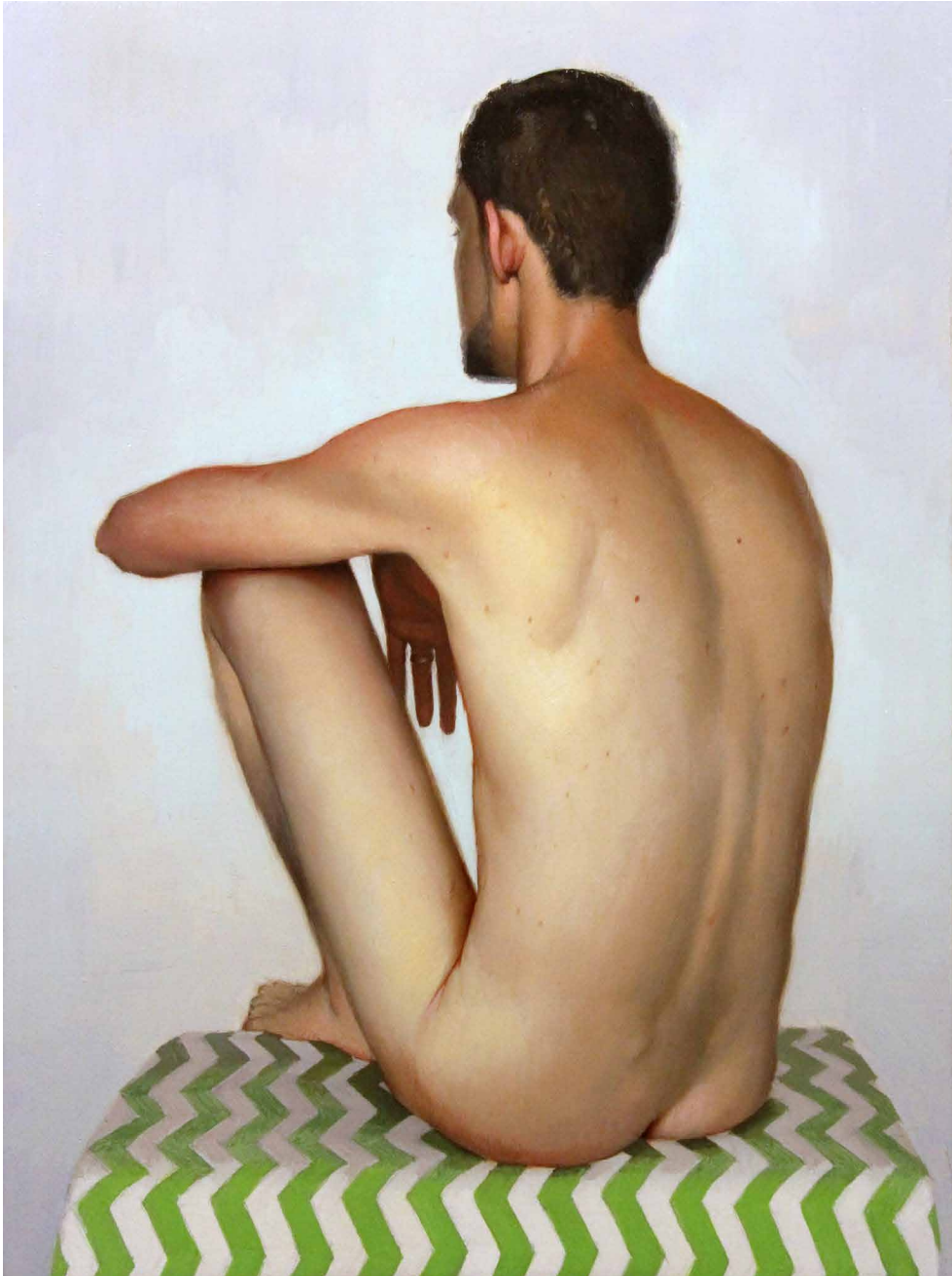


**Victoria**  
2018  
oil on panel  
10.75" h x 8" w



**Casey**  
2018  
oil on panel  
10.75" h x 8" w





**Peter**  
2018  
oil on panel  
10.75" h x 8" w



**Lake Cisco, TX. December, 5:35pm**  
2018  
oil on panel  
18" h x 18" w



**Lake Cisco, TX. December, 4:48pm**  
2018  
oil on panel  
18" h x 18" w



**Mission Blvd, Fremont, CA.**

**November, 5:30pm**

2018

oil on panel

18" h x 18" w



**Lake Cisco, TX. December, 5:15pm**

2018

oil on panel

18" h x 18" w



**Lake Cisco, TX. December, 12:30pm**  
2018  
oil on panel  
18" h x 18" w

# CHRISTIAN FAGERLUND

## ABOUT THE ARTIST

Christian Fagerlund was born in Ann Arbor, Michigan. He currently lives and works in Denton, Texas. He teaches at the University of North Texas. He holds a BFA from the University of California at Santa Barbara and an MFA from the New York Academy of Art, where he was awarded the Post-Graduate Fellowship. Most recently, his work has been featured in the West Edition #126 of New American Paintings, The Blue Review, and The Cultured Podcast. Fagerlund has exhibited in Saint Barthelemy, French West Indies, New York, California, and Texas.

# CURRICULUM VITAE

## EDUCATION

**2004**  
**NEW YORK, NY**

MFA in Painting (honors)  
Post-graduate Fellowship recipient  
New York Academy of Art  
Graduate School of Figurative Art

**1995**  
**SANTA BARBARA, CA**

University of California  
BFA in Art Studio - Painting (honors)



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## SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS

**2018**  
**DALLAS, TX**

*Unmade*  
Liliana Bloch Gallery

**2013**  
**FREMONT, CA**

recent work  
Louie Meager Art Gallery

**2011**  
**ST. BARTHÉLEMY, F.W.I.**

*Reflection*  
Eden Rock Gallery

**2010**  
**SAG HARBOUR, NY**

recent work  
galleryB

**2010**  
**ST. BARTHÉLEMY, F.W.I.**

*Light and Land*  
Eden Rock Gallery

**2009**  
**ST. BARTHÉLEMY, F.W.I.**

*pacific*  
Eden Rock Gallery

**2006**  
**BROOKLYN, NY**

*113 RYERSON*  
5+5 Gallery

**2005**  
**NEW YORK, NY**

Fellows Exhibition 2005  
New York Academy of Art

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## SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

**2017**  
**NEW YORK, NY**

*Single Fare 4*  
Highline Studios

**2017**  
**CARMEL, CA**

selected works  
Winfield Gallery

**2017**  
**DENVER, CO**

*Palette*  
Abend Gallery

**2016**  
**DENTON, TX**

*Annual Faculty Exhibition*  
UNT Art Gallery

**2016**  
**NEW YORK, NY**

*Take Home a Nude*  
Sotheby's/NY Academy of Art

**2016**  
**NEW YORK, NY**

*Point of Origin*  
The Lodge Gallery

**2016**  
**NEW YORK, NY**

*Picturing the Unprintable*  
Flux Factory

**2016**  
**LOS ANGELES, CA**

*Water, Water...Everywhere*  
Arcadia Gallery

**2016**  
**LOS ANGELES, CA**

*Spring Fling*  
Arcadia Gallery

**2016**  
**PALM SPRINGS, CA**

Palm Springs Fine Art Fair  
Arcadia Gallery

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## SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

**2016**  
**LOS ANGELES, CA**

*L.A. Art Show*  
Arcadia Gallery

**2015**  
**NEW YORK, NY**

*Five and Under*  
Arcadia Gallery

**2015**  
**DENTON, TX**

Annual Faculty Exhibition  
UNT on the Square Gallery

**2015**  
**NEW YORK, NY**

*Works on Paper*  
Arcadia Gallery

**2015**  
**NEW YORK, NY**

NY Art Fair  
New York Academy of Art

**2014**  
**DENTON, TX**

*Annual Faculty Exhibition*  
UNT on the Square Gallery

**2013**  
**CARMEL, CA**

selected works  
Winfield Gallery

**2013**  
**NEW YORK, NY**

*Body Politic*  
National Arts Club

**2013**  
**NEW YORK, NY**

*Single Fare 3*  
RH Gallery

**2012**  
**NEW YORK, NY**

*The Drawing Room*  
Milavec Hakimi Gallery

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## SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

**2011**  
**NEW YORK, NY**

*Please Swipe Again*  
Sloan Fine Art

**2011**  
**ST. BARTHÉLEMY, F.W.I.**

*Uncovered*  
Eden Rock Gallery

**2009**  
**FREMONT, CA**

*People*  
Louie Meager Art Gallery

**2008**  
**FREMONT, CA**

*Reality*  
Louie Meager Art Gallery

**2008**  
**CARMEL, CA**

selected works  
Winfield Gallery

**2008**  
**NEW YORK, NY**

Summer Exhibition  
New York Academy of Art  
Jurors: Will Cotton, Nicola Hicks, David Salle

**2007**  
**NEW YORK, NY**

*Small is Beautiful*  
Flowers Gallery

**2007**  
**NEW YORK, NY**

*Homecoming*  
New York Academy of Art

**2007**  
**NEW YORK, NY**

*Draw*  
Fuse Gallery

**2007**  
**NEW YORK, NY**

Summer Salon  
New York Academy of Art  
Jurors: Jenny Saville, Eric Fischl, Vince Desiderio

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## SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

**2007**  
**ST. BARTHÉLEMY, F.W.I.**

*Travel-sized*  
Eden Rock Gallery

**2007**  
**ST. BARTHÉLEMY, F.W.I.**

*Place as Object*  
Eden Rock Gallery  
curated by April Gornik

**2006**  
**BROOKLYN, NY**

*Group Exhibition*  
5+5 Gallery

**2005**  
**BROOKLYN, NY**

*Group Exhibition*  
5+5 Gallery

**2005**  
**NEW YORK, NY**

*The Language of Drawing II*  
Medialia Gallery

**2005**  
**NEW YORK, NY**

*Take Home a Nude*  
NYAA

**2004**  
**NEW YORK, NY**

Thesis Exhibition  
New York Academy of Art

**2004**  
**NEW YORK, NY**

NYAA Student Exhibition  
New York Academy of Art

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## AWARDS

<b>2017</b>	The Savvy Painter Competition honorable mention
<b>2016</b> <b>ST. BARTHÉLEMY, F.W.I.</b>	Artist's Residency Space Gallery
<b>2011</b> <b>ST. BARTHÉLEMY, F.W.I.</b>	Artist's Residency Eden Rock Gallery
<b>2010</b> <b>ST. BARTHÉLEMY, F.W.I.</b>	Artist's Residency Eden Rock Gallery
<b>2009</b> <b>ST. BARTHÉLEMY, F.W.I.</b>	Artist's Residency Eden Rock Gallery
<b>2004</b> <b>NEW YORK, NY</b>	Post-Graduate Fellowship New York Academy of Art
<b>2004</b> <b>NORMANDY, FR</b>	travel grant Château de Balleroy HRH the Prince of Wales Forbes Foundation
<b>2003</b> <b>NEW YORK, NY</b>	Academic Scholarship Award New York Academy of Art
<b>2001</b> <b>SANTA BARBARA, CA</b>	Best in Show Juried Exhibition Santa Barbara City College

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## PUBLICATIONS / INTERVIEWS

- 2017** Khouri, Michelle.  
"Figure Painting, with Christian Fagerlund."  
The Cultured Podcast, Episode 10. 17 Oct. 2017. Web.  
<http://www.culturedpodcast.com/episodes/010-figure-painting/>
- 2017** Lexington, Trek.  
"Trek Lexington in Conversation with Christian Fagerlund".  
The Blue Review. May 25 2017. Web.  
<https://thebluereview.net>
- 2016** Zevitas, Steven T., ed.  
New American Paintings. Vol. 126.  
Boston: The Open Studios Press, 2016. Print.  
Juror: Claire Carter, Curator, Scottsdale Museum of Contemporary Art
- 2016** Rose, Joshua, ed.  
"Water, Water Everywhere."  
American Art Collector June 2016: 94-95. Web.
- 2015** DeLeon, Jessica.  
"Diverse Range of Inspirations."  
INhouse. University of North Texas, 6 Nov. 2015. Web.  
<https://inhouse.unt.edu/diverse-range-inspirations>
- 2014** McCann, Margaret, ed.  
The Figure: Painting, Drawing, and Sculpture  
Contemporary Perspectives.  
New York: Rizzoli, 2014. Print.

# CURRICULUM VITAE

## TEACHING EXPERIENCES

**2014 - PRESENT**  
**DENTON, TX**

University of North Texas  
Senior Lecturer of Figure Drawing

**2007 - 2014**  
**BERKELEY, CA**

UC Berkeley Extension  
Art Instructor - Drawing, Painting (oils/acrylics)

**2008 - 2014**  
**FREMONT, CA**

Ohlone College  
Art Instructor – Drawing, Painting (oils/acrylics)

**2010**  
**OAKLAND, CA**

The Atelier School of Classical Realism  
Art Instructor - Drawing

**2005 - 2006**  
**NEW YORK, NY**

UFT Center  
Painting Instructor – Painting (oils/acrylics)

**2004 - 2005**  
**NEW YORK, NY**

New York Academy of Art  
Teaching Assistant



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## RELATED EXPERIENCES

**2009 - 2013**  
**FREMONT, CA**

Louie-Meager Art Gallery  
Co-director of Ohlone College Gallery

**2007 - 2008**  
**SAN FRANCISCO, CA**

Evans & Brown  
Muralist (acrylics)

**2000 - 2002**  
**SANTA BARBARA, CA**

Stuart Brandt & Associates  
Muralist/Faux Finisher (acrylics)

**1996 - 2000**  
**LOS ANGELES, CA**

Granvelle and Associates  
Fresco Muralist/Finisher (fresco)

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