

David Leggett

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Lives and works in Los Angeles, California

Education:

- 2010: Skowhegan School of Painting and Sculpture, Skowhegan, Maine.
- 2007: Masters of Fine Arts, School of the Art Institute of Chicago.
- 2003: Bachelors of Fine Arts, Savannah College of Art and Design.

Awards and Residencies:

- 2022: Bed-Stuy Art Residency, Bedford Stuyvesant Brooklyn, New York.
- 2018: Joan Mitchell Center Residency. 3Arts Fellow, New Orleans, Louisiana.
- 2014-15: University of Chicago, Arts and Public Life, Artist in Residence.
- 2013: Robert Rauschenberg Residency. 3Arts Fellow, Captiva, Florida.
- 2013: Maker Grant Runner-Up, Chicago Illinois.
- 2010: Skowhegan School of Painting and Sculpture Fellowship Award.
- 2010: The Drawing Center Viewing Program.
- 2009: 3Arts Visual Artist Award, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2005-07: Trustee Scholarship, School of the Art Institute of Chicago.
- 2005: Fellowship Award, School of the Art Institute.
- 2000-03: Merit Scholarship, Savannah College of Art and Design.

Exhibitions:

Solo Shows:

- 2023: Everyday Struggle, Steve Turner Contemporary, Los Angeles, California.
- 2023: Tuck your chain, Omni Gallery, London, England.
- 2021: Say Less, Anthony Gallery, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2021: We have food at home, Steve Turner Contemporary, Los Angeles, California.
- 2021: Four Door Lexus, Aspect / Ratio Projects, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2021: Works on paper, James Fuentes Online, New York, New York.
- 2020: Why you really mad?, Steve Turner Contemporary, Los Angeles, California.
- 2019: David Leggett, Shane Campbell Gallery, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2017: Asking for a friend, Kimmerich Gallery, Berlin, Germany.
- 2017: Drawing Show, Shane Campbell Gallery, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2017: Their funeral, our dance floor, Shane Campbell Gallery, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2016: Black Drawls, Gallery 400, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2015: Sugar foot rain dance, Arts Incubator in Washington Park, Chicago, Illinois.

- 2014: Going to bed angry, 65 Grand Gallery, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2012: Coco River Fudge Street, Hyde Park Art Center, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2012: It's getting to the point where nobody respects the dead, Fresh to death, Western Exhibitions, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2012: David Leggett New Paintings, Hinge Gallery, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2010: Up for the Down Stroke, 65 Grand Gallery, Chicago, Illinois.

Two-person show:

- 2024: Double, Double = Toil and Trouble! Phyllis Bramson and David Leggett, Engage Projects, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2018: Mixed Emotions: David Leggett and Ryan Richey, Various Small Fires Gallery, Los Angeles, California.

Group shows:

- 2023: Goosebumps, Anthony Gallery, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2023: Hat Trick, Rusha & Co., Los Angeles, California.
- 2022: All that light, Logan Center Exhibitions, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2022: Hotline, Long Beach Museum of Art, Long Beach, California.
- 2021: Group Chat, Julius Caesar Gallery, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2021: This IS America, Kunstraum Potsdam, Potsdam, Germany.
- 2021: I AM NOT A CARTOON, StoveWorks, Chattanooga, Tennessee.
- 2021: Something about us, Anthony Gallery, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2020: Fever Dream, Aspect / Ratio Projects, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2020: Our World, Steve Turner Contemporary, Los Angeles, California.
- 2020: Snacks, Standard Space, Sharon, Connecticut.
- 2020: Riders of the Red Horse, The Pit, Glendale, California.
- 2020: We used to gather, Library Street Collective, Detroit, Michigan.
- 2020: Group Show, Zidoun & Bossuyt Gallery, Luxembourg.
- 2020: Blackstract, Tag Gallery, Los Angeles, California.
- 2020: Eleven Figures in Two Parts, Atkinson Gallery, Santa Barbara, California.
- 2019: Depiction, Again, Kunstverein Langenhagen, Lower Saxony, Germany.
- 2019: Island, Ramp Gallery, London, England.
- 2019: The Flat Files, The Pit, Glendale, California.
- 2019: Somebody Told Me You People Were Crazy, Hathaway Gallery, Atlanta, Georgia.
- 2018: Above The Rim, Contemporary Art Museum, Raleigh, North Carolina.
- 2018: The Unseen, James Fuentes Gallery, New York, New York.
- 2018: Cosmic Traffic Jam, Zevitas Marcus Gallery, Los Angeles, California.

- 2018: Hand-Eye Coordination: Sports and Art, curated by Abraham Ritchie, Western Exhibitions, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2017: Figured Out!, Andrew Rafacz Gallery, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2017: Council, Andrew Rafacz Gallery, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2016: Alex Becerra, David Leggett, William J. O'Brien, Kimmerich, Berlin, Germany.
- 2016: Death: A Summer Show, Trestle Projects, Brooklyn, New York.
- 2016: Chicago and Vicinity, Shane Campbell Gallery, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2015: Three the hard way, Reva and David Logan Center for the Arts, University of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2014: Ducks, Greenpoint Terminal Gallery, Brooklyn, New York.
- 2014: Now Chicago!, The Hughes Gallery, Sydney Australia.
- 2014: Poems in a Room, Magic Pictures, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
- 2013: Recess, South Side Community Art Center, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2013: Thru-Lines, 65 Grand Gallery, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2013: Whisper Down the Lane, Gallery 400, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2013: (I'm Your) Hoochie Coochie Man, Tracy Williams Ltd., New York, New York.
- 2013: Squirts: April Childers, David Leggett, Max Maslansky, Regina Rex, Queens, New York.
- 2012: Romancing the Tone, Pittsburgh Center for the Arts, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.
- 2012: Afterimage, DePaul Art Museum, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2012: Where My Clone At?, Double Break, San Diego, California.
- 2012: Where My Clone At?, 2 POVevolving Fine Art Printing Studio, Los Angeles, California.
- 2012: Blaque Lyte, ADA Gallery, Richmond, Virginia.
- 2011: Museum as Hub: Alpha's bet is not over yet!, The New Museum of Contemporary Art, New York, New York.
- 2011: Kodra 11 Contemporary Art Festival, Thessaloniki, Greece.
- 2011: Is this thing on?, Cobalt Studio, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2011: People Don't Like to Read Art, Western Exhibitions, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2011: The MDW Fair, The Geolofts, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2011: West, Wester, Westest Pt. 2, Fecal Face Dot Gallery, San Francisco, California.
- 2011: Futuro Perfecto, Zora Space, Brooklyn, New York.
- 2011: Drop it like it's not, Murder Town Gallery, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2011: Psych-a-Bobble, High Concept Laboratories, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2011: Skowhegan Alumni Exhibition, 92Y Tribeca, New York, New York.
- 2011: Heads on Poles, Western Exhibitions, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2010: Ah, Wilderness!, Ebermoore Gallery, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2010: SK10-New works from the Skowhegan School of Painting and Sculpture, Class of 2010, Tompkins Projects, Brooklyn, New York.
- 2008: Disinhibition: Black Art Blue Humor, Hyde Park Art Center, Chicago, Illinois.

- 2008: Re:visions, Zolla Lieberman Gallery, Chicago, Illinois.

Selected Bibliography:

- 2023: Lewis, Jurrell, "In the Studio: David Leggett", Art21.org.
- 2021: Lordi, Emily, "The Black Recovery Stories Speaking to Individual and Collective Wellness", The New York Times Magazine.
- 2020: Drew, Kimberly and Worthan, Jenna, "Black Futures", One World.
- 2020: Gavin, Francesca, "The Age of Collage VOL. 3", Gestalten.
- 2019: Brown – Moreira, Caira, "Transcendent Humor: A Review of David Leggett at Shane Campbell Gallery", New City Art.
- 2019: Feaster, Felicia, "Artist lends irreverent touch to Hathaway group show", The Atlanta Journal-Constitution.
- 2018: Caldwell, C. Ellen, "Detouring Through Art, History & In Cosmic Traffic Jam", Riot Material.
- 2018: Nimptsch, Emily, "David Leggett and Ryan Richey: Mixed Emotions", Riot Material.
- 2018: Dambrot, NYS Shana, "Get Caught in a Cosmic Traffic Jam in Culver City", LA Weekly.
- 2017: New American Painting 131 midwest edition.
- 2017: Cardoza, Kerry, "David Leggett has the last laugh", Chicago Reader.
- 2017: J. Patrick Carney, Sean, "First Look", Art in America.
- 2017: Cardoza, Kerry, "Tough Love with a Glint of Humor", Newcity Art.
- 2016: Sargent, Antwaun, "An exhibit takes aim at art history, race, and Drake", The Creators Project, Vice.
- 2016: Berlant, Lauren, "Comedy is a great way to break the news: A conversation with David Leggett", Critical Inquiry.
- 2016: Petty, Felix, "David Leggett is the dark, comic art star of underground Chicago", i-D, Vice.
- 2016: Sierzputowski, Kate, "David Leggett's User Generated Satire", Inside/Within.
- 2015: Ungur, Laura, "Dry Magazine Artist Interview", Dry Magazine.
- 2014: Forrest, Nicholas, "Now Chicago!" at The Hughes Gallery, Sydney," Blouin Artinfo.
- 2013: Ise, Claudine, "A New style of art communication," The Chicago Tribune.
- 2013: Eler, Alicia, "A Midsummer Group Show Dream," Hyperallergic.
- 2013: Perry, Eve, "Not Taking the 1990's Very Seriously," Hyperallergic.
- 2013: Scott, Andrea, "(I'm Your) Hoochie Coochie Man," The New Yorker.
- 2012: Langbein, Julia, "Critic's Pick: 'After Image' at DePaul University Museum," ArtForum.
- 2012: Jackson, Danielle, "Cotton Candy Sweet as Gold: A Conversation with David Leggett," Sixty Inches From Center.

- 2012: Yeapanis, Stacia, "Other Peoples Pixels Interviews David Leggett," Other Peoples Pixels Blog.
- 2012: Bellware, Kimberly, "Coco River Fudge Street," The Chicagoist.
- 2011: Ritchie, Abraham, "It's getting to the point where nobody respects the dead. Fresh to death at Western Exhibitions, Now That's Fresh," Art Slant.
- 2011: Ritchie, Abraham, "Coco River Fudge Street," Flavorpill.
- 2011: Ritchie, Abraham, "Rackroom Interview," Art Slant.
- 2011: Glass, Claire, "Portrait of the Artist: David Leggett," Newcity Art.
- 2011: Beautiful/Decay Book: 7, Class Clowns.
- 2011: Weinberg, Lauren, "People Don't Like To Read Art' at Western Exhibitions:
- 2011: Ritchie, Abraham, "People Don't Like to Read Art at Western Exhibitions," Art Slant.
- 2011: Ritchie, Abraham, "Heads on Poles at Western Exhibitions," Art Slant.
- 2010: "Interview: David Leggett," Black Visual Archive.
- 2010: Ritchie, Abraham, "Chicago's Best of 2010 Pick: 'Up for the Down Stroke' at 65 Grand," Art Slant.
- 2010: Schmidt, Shannon, "David Leggett at 65GRAND," Chicago Art Magazine.
- 2010: "Up for the Down Stroke at 65 Grand Gallery," Daily Serving.
- 2010: "Up for the Down Stroke at 65 Grand Gallery," Beautiful Decay.

Artist Talks and Lectures:

- 2019: Visiting artist at Columbia College Chicago, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2017: Visiting artist at ACRE artist residency, Steuben, Wisconsin.
- 2017: School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2016: Black Drawls: In conversation with Lauren Berlant, Gallery 400, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2015: Painting and its Humors, University of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2014: SAIC in Chicago artist talk at 65 Grand Gallery, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2012: The School of the Art Institute of Chicago Interlink Visiting Artist Program, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2012: Coco River Fudge Street, Hyde Park Art Center, Chicago, Illinois.