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Don Lisy

Born February 7, 1974 in Cleveland, Ohio.

Education

1992 - 1995 Cleveland Institute of Art, Cleveland, Ohio

Biography

Don Lisy was born and raised in Cleveland, Ohio and creates his art as if revolting against the Midwest sensibilities that dominate the critical and popular mind sets of his hometown. Don attended the Cleveland Institute of Art where he studied Printmaking and Painting. Don's work has been compared to the New York school of action painters, however, Don's work is not derivative from any one school. Each of Don's works are created in one session. By immediately succumbing to the emotional energy that inspires his work, Don feels he is best able to represent that emotion if he can complete the work before the feeling dissipates. Each resulting work is more of a self portrait of an emotional event rather than an image concerned with aesthetics.

Don's first visit to New York City was in December 1993. Over the years he often returned to NYC for group exhibitions and also performances with his band. It was during a visit in 2001 that Don connected with New York on a new level which planted the seed that one day he must live there. In the spring of 2010, Don left family and friends in Cleveland and made the permanent move to Brooklyn where he continues to dedicate himself to his own personal artistic vision. In December 2016, after an over decade long absence, Don re-established a studio in Cleveland. Don's work has been exhibited across the United States and internationally in Germany, Italy and Spain.

Press

Huffington Post

Abstract Artist Don Lisy Breaks the Paradigms of Paint With His Signature Style

JustLuxe

From Cleveland to New York City, Artist Don Lisy Brings His Abstract, Emotive Style to the Fine Art World

Art of the Times Magazine

One Painters Journey From Art And Back Again

Ask Artists

Don Lisy: "Follow Your Own Vision"

Bellus

Emotionally Charged: Don Lisy

Solo Exhibitions

2012

- Select Fair I Miami I Art Basel, The Catalina Hotel, Miami, FL
- In-Between, Morgan art of papermaking Conservatory, Cleveland, OH

2011

- In-Between, Hausmann Millworks, San Antonio, TX

2010

- Solo Exhibition, Liloveve Gallery, Brooklyn, NY

2003

- Solo Exhibition, Bockrath Gallery, Cleveland, OH

Group Exhibitions

2023

- Eclectic Collections: A Showcase of Local Artists, Group Exhibition, Columbus State Delaware Campus, Delaware, OH
- 23 & MEEP MEEP: 2023 UTSA Gala, Group Exhibition, La Cantera Resort and Spa, San Antonio, TX
- The Big @SS @RT Show, Group Exhibition, Valley Art Center, Chagrin Falls, OH
- "I Am" Art Heals Hearts, Group Exhibition, The Ecumenical Center for Education. Counseling. Health, San Antonio, TX
- An American Story: Friends, Families & Stories, Group Exhibition, The Sheen Center for Thought and Culture, New York, NY

2020

- Gallery 104, "Muse" Group Exhibition, New York, NY

2019

- Gallery 104, Group Exhibition, New York, NY
- The AgriCultural, "Texas Hill County Invitational" Group Exhibition, San Antonio, TX
- Gallery 104, Group Exhibition, New York, NYC
- The All Things Project, "Hausmann Millworks: Collective Conscious(ness)", New York, NY

2017

- The Creators Collective, AMPLIFY, 100 Bogart, Brooklyn, NY
- The Creators Collective, Spring Party, Salzy, Brooklyn, NY

2015

- Small Works Group Exhibition, The Greenpoint Gallery, Brooklyn, NY

2014

- Clicking The Moment: Ephemeral & It's Opposite, Onishi Gallery, New York, NY
- WAV Party Madrid, Centro Cultural La Vaguada, Madrid, Spain

2013

- Dacia Presents: Times Square Art Show, Times Square Art Center New York, NY
- Nothing Is Big Or Small For The Universe, Palazzo Bufalini, Citta' Di Castello Italy
- See I Me: The Story of the Creative, Angel Orensanz Foundation New York, NY
- Chianti Star Festival, Palazzo Malaspina in San Donato, Italy
- It's All About Energy, Onishi Gallery, New York, NY
- ImaginAction in Berlin, Vierraumladen Gallery, Berlin, Germany
- Engage, Liloveve Gallery, Brooklyn, NY

2012

- Select Fair I Miami I Art Basel I, The Catalina Hotel, Miami, FL
- Dacia Gallery Presents: Art Show On Broadway, NOHO Event Center, New York, NY
- In-Between, Morgan Art of Papermaking Conservatory, Cleveland, OH
- Works on Paper NYC, Jeffrey Leder Gallery, Long Island City, NY
- The Green Show, White Carpet Gallery @ Hillyard, Des Moines, IA
- Look Art Party, New York, NY
- International Painting NYC, Jeffrey Leder Gallery, Long Island City, NY

2011

- Curate NYC, Rush Arts Gallery + Resource Center, New York, NY
- 4 Ever Morgan, Morgan Art of Papermaking Conservatory, Cleveland, OH
- Sweeping Up The Mess, White Carpet Gallery @ Hillyard, Des Moines, IA
- Booking It To Brooklyn, Central Booking, Brooklyn, NY
- In-Between, Hausmann Millworks, San Antonio, TX
- Honey, Liloveve Gallery, Brooklyn, NY

2010

- Anthropoi, Flash Space, Lawrence, KS
- Solo Exhibition, Liloveve Gallery, Brooklyn, NY
- The White Show, Hausmann Millworks, San Antonio, TX
- Art About Love, Liloveve Gallery, Brooklyn, NY

2009

- The White Show, Signs of Life Gallery, Lawrence, KS
- Art Cares, Aids Task Force of Greater Cleveland, Cleveland, OH

2008

- ¡Mambo Muerto!, Spaces, Cleveland, OH
- Morgan Art of Papermaking Conservatory, Cleveland, OH

2007

- Garden Noir: Where the Wild Things Bloom, Spaces, Cleveland, OH

2003

- Solo Exhibition, Bockrath Gallery, Cleveland, OH

2002

- Group Show, Gallery Alexie, New York, NYC