

BRIAN ALFRED (b. 1974 in Pittsburgh, PA) received his Bachelor of Fine Arts in 1997 from Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA and his Master of Fine Arts in 1999 from Yale University, New Haven, CT. He has been the subject of recent solo exhibitions at Miles McEnery Gallery, New York, NY; Maho Kubota Gallery, Tokyo, Japan; Hezi Cohen Gallery, Tel Aviv, Israel; Salon 94 Video Wall, New York, NY; and the Frist Art Museum, Nashville, TN. In 2024, the Williamsburg Biannual, Brooklyn, NY presented a retrospective of his work.

His work has been included in group exhibitions at numerous international institutions such as the American Academy of Arts and Letters, New York, NY; Aomori Museum of Art, Aomori, Japan; Den Frie Centre of Contemporary Art, Copenhagen, Denmark; Denver Art Museum, Denver, CO; and the National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne, Australia, among others.

Alfred's work can be found in the collections of the Buffalo AKG Art Museum, Buffalo, NY; Cleveland Clinic Art Program, Lyndhurst, OH; Denver Art Museum, Denver, CO; Everson Museum of Art, Syracuse, NY; Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, Houston, TX; National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne, Australia; Orange County Museum of Art, Newport Beach, CA; Phoenix Art Museum, Phoenix, AZ; San Francisco Museum of Modern Art, San Francisco, CA; Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum, New York, NY; and the Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, NY, among others.

Alfred is the host of "SOUND & VISION," a podcast featuring conversations with artists and musicians about the creative process. Guests have included Diana Al-Hadid, Jules de Balincourt, Inka Essenhigh, Dominique Fung, Daniel Heidkamp, Ridley Howard, Kahlil Robert Irving, Byron Kim, Hein Koh, Chris Martin, Tony Matelli, Leeza Meksins, Hilary Pecis, James Siena, Sarah Slaphey, Alexandria Smith, Fred Tomaselli, and Chloe Wise.

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EDUCATION

- 1999 MFA, Yale University, New Haven, CT
Skowhegan School of Painting and Sculpture, Madison, ME
- 1997 BFA, Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2026 "Plus Ultra," Miles McEnery Gallery, New York, NY
- 2024 "You Could Feel The Sky," Williamsburg Biannual, Brooklyn, NY
"Golden Hour," Maho Kubota Gallery, Tokyo, Japan
"Beauty Is a Rare Thing," Miles McEnery Gallery, New York, NY
- 2022 "Escape Plan," Miles McEnery Gallery, New York, NY
- 2021 "New World," Maho Kubota Gallery, Tokyo, Japan
- 2019 "High Rises and Double Vision: Images of New York," Miles McEnery Gallery, New York, NY
- 2018 "Future Shock," Miles McEnery Gallery, New York, NY
- 2017 "Techno Garden," Maho Kubota Gallery, Tokyo, Japan
- 2016 "In Praise of Shadows," Ameringer | McEnery | Yohe, New York, NY
- 2015 "It Takes A Million Years To Become Diamonds So Let's Just Burn Like Coal Until The Sky Is Black,"
Ameringer | McEnery | Yohe, New York, NY
- 2014 "New Animations," Hezi Cohen Gallery, Tel Aviv, Israel
"Beauty in Danger," Salon 94 Video Wall, New York, NY
- 2013 "Storms and Stress," Hezi Cohen Gallery, Tel Aviv, Israel
- 2012 "It's Already the End of the World," Frist Center for Visual Art, Nashville, TN
- 2011 "Co-op," Giraud Pissarro Ségolot, New York, NY
"Rise Above," Haunch of Venison, London, UK
- 2010 "It's Already the End of the World," Haunch of Venison, New York, NY
- 2009 "Majic Window," Studio La Città, Verona, Italy
- 2008 "Millions Now Living Will Never Die!!!," Haunch of Venison, Berlin, Germany
- 2007 "Global Warning," SCAI the Bathhouse, Tokyo, Japan
- 2006 "Surveillance," Haunch of Venison, Zürich, Switzerland
"Space is the Place!," Mary Boone Gallery, New York, NY
- 2005 "Paper and Pixels," Mary Boone Gallery, New York, NY
"Conspiracy?," Haunch of Venison, London, UK
- 2004 "The Future is Now!," Phoenix Art Museum, Phoenix, AZ
"Overload," Max Protetch Gallery, New York, NY
"Fallout," Samek Art Gallery, Bucknell University, Lewisburg, PA

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- 2003 "New Work," Sandroni Rey Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
2002 Max Protetch Gallery, New York, NY
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GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2025 "Paper Room," Halsey McKay Gallery, Brooklyn, NY
2024 "All Bangers, All The Time: 25th Anniversary Exhibition," Miles McEnery Gallery, New York, NY
"MADE in PA," Palmer Museum of Art, Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA
2022 "CITY - COUNTRY - CONNECTIVITY," KUNST für ANGELN e.V. | Wittkielhof, Angeln, Germany
"Island Time," Volery Gallery, Dubai, United Arab Emirates
"Why I Make Art" (curated by Brian Alfred), Miles McEnery Gallery, New York, NY
"HOME/STUDIO," Palmer Museum of Art, Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA
2021 "Transformed: Objects Reimagined by American Artists," Montclair Art Museum, Montclair, NJ
2020 "Do You Think It Needs A Cloud?," Miles McEnery Gallery, New York, NY
"VIDEOTOPIA," Maho Kubota Gallery, Tokyo, Japan
2019 "Fixed Contained," Kotaro Nukaga Gallery, Tokyo, Japan
"Alex Katz, Brian Alfred, Guy Yanai, Laurel Nakadate, Taro Komiya, Ryunosuke Yasui: Door Into Summer / M's collection +,"
Maho Kubota Gallery, Tokyo, Japan
Rag & Bone Mural, Houston Street, New York, NY
"Art on Link," Art on LINK/NYC Kiosks, New York, NY
2018 "Belief in Giants," Miles McEnery Gallery, New York, NY
2017 "The Frame," Samsung Art TV, Samsung, USA
"Like Oxygen," Blue Mountain Gallery, Brooklyn, NY
2016 "Room with a View," EDDYSROOM, Brooklyn, NY
"Art Film," Art Basel Miami Beach, Miami, FL
"Tokyo / London / New York," Maho Kubota Gallery, Tokyo, Japan
"Audacious: Contemporary Artists Speak Out," Denver Art Museum, Denver, CO
"Genbi Shinkansen," Echigo Yuzawa, Niigata Prefecture, Japan
"In an Illusion Village: Our Form Connected by Media Art," Aomori Museum of Art, Aomori, Japan
"Extended Practice," Palmer Museum of Art, Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA
2015 "BLACK / WHITE," Ameringer | McEnery | Yohe, New York, NY
"The Search For The Real," DeBuck Gallery, New York, NY
"Villissima," Hôtel Des Arts, Toulon, France
"The Everywhere Exotic," Culturadora, Art Miami NY, New York, NY
2014 "BLACK/WHITE," LaMontagne Gallery, Boston, MA
"Art Film," Art Basel Hong Kong, Hong Kong, China
"100 Works for 100 Years: A Centennial Celebration," Montclair Art Museum, Montclair, NJ
"Mercury Retrograde: Animated Realities," Lafayette Art Galleries, Lafayette College, Easton, PA
"Film Cologne," Art Cologne, Cologne, Germany
2013 "Uncanny Congruencies," Palmer Museum of Art, Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA
"Art Film," Art Basel Miami Beach, Miami Beach, FL

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- “Mercury Retrograde: Animated Realities,” Stephen Stoyanov Gallery, New York, NY
- “Epic Fail,” Storefront Ten Eyck, Brooklyn, NY
- 2012 “exURBAN SCREENS,” Frankston Arts Centre/Cube 37, Melbourne, Australia
- 15th Japan Media Arts Festival, Tokyo, Japan
- “Sourced,” Steven Vail Fine Arts, Des Moines, IA
- 2011 “Beyond,” SCAI the Bathhouse, Tokyo, Japan
- “Videosphere: A New Generation,” Albright-Knox Art Gallery, Buffalo, NY
- “Animations,” The Big Screen Project, Big Screen Plaza, New York, NY
- “Printer’s Proof,” Bertrand Delacroix Gallery, New York, NY
- 2010 “12th International Cairo Biennale,” Cairo, Egypt
- “The Big Screen Project,” Big Screen Plaza, New York, NY
- “Me, Undoubtedly. 1309 Faces,” Kunstmuseum Wolfsburg, Wolfsburg, Germany
- “Aichi Triennale,” Aichi Prefectural Museum of Art, Nagoya, Japan
- “Surface Tension,” South Bend Museum of Art, South Bend, IN
- “onedotzero,” Curtis R. Priem Experimental Media and Performing Arts Center, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, NY
- “New Art For A New Century,” Orange County Museum of Art, Newport Beach, CA
- 2009 “Mercury Retrograde: Animated Realities,” Big Medium Gallery, Austin, TX
- “The Figure and Dr. Freud,” Haunch of Venison, New York, NY
- 2008 “Uncoordinated: Mapping Cartography in Contemporary Art,” Contemporary Arts Center, Cincinnati, OH
- “Ru Ru Ru Landscape: How I see the World Around Me,” Shizuoka Prefectural Museum of Art, Shizuoka, Japan
- “Teaching An Old Dog New Tricks,” Den Frie Centre of Contemporary Art, Copenhagen, Denmark
- 2007 “The Shapes of Space,” Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum, New York, NY
- “System Error: War Is A Force That Gives Us Meaning,” Palazzo delle Papesse, Siena, Italy
- “Art Fair Tokyo,” Tokyo, Japan
- “Art Film,” Art Basel, Basel, Switzerland
- 2006 “The 59th Minute, Times Square Panasonic Astrovision Screen,” Creative Time, New York, NY
- “Invitational Exhibition,” American Academy of Arts and Letters, New York, NY
- “Radar: Selections from the Kent and Vicki Logan Collection,” Denver Art Museum, Denver, CO
- “New Code,” Studio La Città, Verona, Italy
- “Signal Channel: Contemporary Video Art,” Bemis Center for Contemporary Arts, Omaha, NE
- 2005 “Produced at Eyebeam,” Eyebeam, New York, NY
- “Surface,” Lucas Schoormans Gallery, New York, NY
- “ART!+*><WORK,” Ignivomous, New York, NY
- 2004 “Metropolis,” National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne, Australia
- “Art and Architecture 1900 – 2000,” Palazzo Ducale, Genoa, Italy
- “Inaugural Show,” Sandroni Rey Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
- “Trouble in Paradise,” Van Brunt Gallery, New York, NY
- “Happy Ending,” Kingfisher Projects, Queens, NY
- 2003 “Toxic,” Max Protetch Gallery, New York, NY
- “Digital Showcase,” Austin Museum of Digital Art, Austin, TX
- 1999 “Group Show,” Max Protetch Gallery, New York, NY

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"MFA Thesis Exhibition," Yale School of Art Gallery, Yale University, New Haven, CT

CURATORIAL WORK

- 2022 "Why I Make Art," Miles McEnery Gallery, New York, NY
- 2016 "Animated! Explorations into Moving Pictures," Palmer Museum of Art, Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA
- 2015 "BLACK / WHITE," Ameringer | McEnery | Yohe, New York, NY
- "The Search for the Real," De Buck Gallery, New York, NY
- 2014 "BLACK/WHITE," LaMontagne Gallery, Boston, MA

AWARDS

- 2018 College of Arts & Architecture Faculty Research Grant, Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA
- 2016 College of Arts & Architecture Faculty Research Grant, Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA
- 2015 Institute for the Arts and Humanities Individual Faculty Grant, Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA
- Jerome Foundation Grant, St. Paul, MN
- 2013 Carriage House Arts Residency, Islip, NY
- Pollock-Krasner Foundation Grant, New York, NY
- 2011 Excellence Award, Japan Media Arts Festival, Tokyo, Japan
- 2008 Pennsylvania State University Alumni Award, Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA
- 2006 Joan Mitchell Foundation Award, New York, NY
- American Academy of Arts and Letters Purchase Award, New York, NY
- Pennsylvania State University Alumni Achievement Award, Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA
- 2005 New York Foundation of the Arts Inspiration Award, New York, NY
- 2003 Pollock-Krasner Foundation Grant, New York, NY
- 1999 Phelps Berdan Memorial Award, Yale University, New Haven, CT
- Skowhegan Match Scholarship, Skowhegan School of Painting and Sculpture, Madison, ME
- 1997 Edwin W. Zoller Scholarship, Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA

SELECT COLLECTIONS

- Buffalo AKG Art Museum, Buffalo, NY
- Cleveland Clinic Art Program, Lyndhurst, OH
- Denver Art Museum, Denver, CO
- Everson Museum of Art, Syracuse, NY
- JPMorganChase Art Collection, New York, NY
- Montclair Art Museum, Montclair, NJ
- Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, Houston, TX
- National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne, Australia
- New Britain Museum of American Art, New Britain, CT
- Orange County Museum of Art, Newport Beach, CA
- Phoenix Museum of Art, Phoenix, AZ

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San Francisco Museum of Modern Art, San Francisco, CA
Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum, New York, NY
University Museum of Contemporary Art, Amherst, MA
Weisman Art Museum, Minneapolis, MN
Wellmark Blue Cross Blue Shield Corporate Art Collection, Des Moines, IA
Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, NY

SOUND & VISION PODCAST

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- 2025 Keats, Jonathon, "From the Archive: Artists Inspired by Architecture," *Dwell Magazine*, 16 October.
- 2024 "Beauty is a Rare Thing But Vital Thing in the Works of Brian Alfred," *Juxtapoz Magazine*, 25 April.
Keenan, Annabel, "Beauty Is a Rare Thing," New York, NY: Miles McEnery Gallery, March.
- 2022 "Meet Brian Alfred | Artist, Professor, & Podcaster," *Shoutout LA*, 6 September.
Vogel, Maria, "Brian Alfred of 'Sound + Vision,'" *Hii Magazine*, 31 May.
"Brian Alfred Brings Life and Work Stories of Artists in His New Book 'Why I Make Art,'" *Widewalls*, 18 May.
Levenson, Joey, "Brian Alfred's latest exhibition ponders an Earth void of humans," *It's Nice That*, 22 April.
Laster, Paul, "8 Fascinating New York Shows to See in April," *Galerie Magazine*, 1 April.
Alfred, Brian, "Why I Make Art: Contemporary Artists' Stories About Life & Work," New York, NY: Atelier Éditions.
Westfall, Stephen, "Uncanny Absences," New York, NY: Miles McEnery Gallery.
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- 2021 Podurgiel, Bob, "New York artist returns to his hometown of Carnegie to create a mural of jazz artist Richie Cole," *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*, September.
- 2019 Pobric, Pac, "Brian Alfred: The New York Paintings," essay in *Brian Alfred, High Rises and Double Vision: Images of New York*, New York, NY: Miles McEnery Gallery.
- 2018 Alfred, Brian, "Brian Alfred on Jo Baer," *Painters on Paintings*, 4 September.
Mitchell, John, "Interview with Brian Alfred," *The Studio Visit*, 2 March.
Boucher, Brian, "Brian Alfred's Polished Paintings Serenely Capture the Sense of a World Spinning Out of Control," *Artnet*, 15 February.
Weiss, Alexandra, "Brian Alfred's 'Future Shock' Exhibition Imagines Our Technology-Driven Prospects," *BlackBook*, 2 February.
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Voon, Claire, "In France and Japan, Trains Now Bring the Art —to You," Hyperallergic, 11 May.
- 2015 "Beauty in Danger," Dots and Dashes, 23 April.
Corcoran, Heather, "Postcards from the End of the World: Brian Alfred's Colorful, Cautionary Tales," Artsy, 4 February.
Grey, Steve, "The Races, a Thin Line Between Living and Dying," Widewalls, February.
- 2014 Young, Paul David, "Not For Sale: Outside The Convention Center In Miami," Hyperallergic, 6 December.
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- 2013 Yanai, Guy, "Brian Alfred," The Telavivan, 23 July.
- 2012 Hutson, Laura, "Installation View: Brian Alfred's Nashville Scene," 2 October.
"Q&A with Brian Alfred," Rag & Bone Blog, October.
"Brooklyn Artist Brian Alfred Explores The Influence And Limitations of Public Imagery," Nashville Music City, September.
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"Brian Alfred: The End of the World," Nowness, 19 January.
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"Brian Alfred, Critic's Picks," Time Out New York, 5 April.
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