

**CHRIS GAROFALO**

Born Springfield, Illinois.

Lives and works in Chicago, Illinois.

**EDUCATION**

BFA, Saint Mary's College, Notre Dame, South Bend, Indiana.

**SOLO EXHIBITIONS**

- 2020** *falling up: becoming from undoing*, Rhona Hoffman Gallery, Chicago IL
- 2017** *PRECIOUS FRAGMENTS exquisite longing*, Rhona Hoffman Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2015** *Edaphology of a Superterrestrial Panmictic Population*, Rhona Hoffman Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2013** *Zoophytosphere Vivaria*, Rhona Hoffman Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2010** Loyola University, Chicago, IL  
*aquibotaneous zoolatry*, Rhona Hoffman Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2009** Muskegon Museum of Art, Muskegon, MI  
Hyde Park Art Center, Chicago, IL
- 2007–08** *Zoophyta*, Rhona Hoffman Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2006** Gallery 707, Three Rivers Arts Festival, Pittsburgh, PA  
*Speculative Zoogeny*, Rhona Hoffman Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2005** Garfield Park Conservatory, Chicago, IL
- 2001** Fondazione Mazzullo, Taormina, Sicily, IT
- 2000** Lionsweir / Packer, Chicago, IL
- 1998** Eastwick Art Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 1997** Eastwick Art Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 1994** Eastwick Art Gallery, Chicago, IL  
Aron Packer Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 1993** Eastwick Art Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 1992** Aron Packer Gallery, Chicago, IL
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- 1991** Ten Cat, Chicago, IL

**SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS**

- 2020** *To Bough and to Bend*, Bridge Projects, Los Angeles, CA
- 2017** *Stranger Things*, DePaul Art Museum, Chicago, IL
- 2016** Bureau Gallery, New York, NY
- 2015** *Regeneration: The Nature of Transformation*, Brushwood Center at Ryerson Woods, IL
- 2014** The Objects Biennial, R & Company, New York, NY
- 2012** Objects Show, R & Company, New York, NY  
Elmhurst Art Museum, *No Rules: Contemporary Clay*, Elmhurst, IL
- 2011** La Carte d'après Nature, Matthew Marks Gallery, New York, NY
- 2007** Art Chicago, Rhona Hoffman Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2006** Art Chicago, Rhona Hoffman Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2005** Chicago Tourism Center, "People of the Mud," Chicago, IL
- 2004** A. Rudin, Merchandise Mart, Chicago, IL  
Karkula, New York, NY

- 2003** Evanston Art Center, Evanston, IL  
**2002** SOFA Exposition 2002, Chicago, IL  
Lill Street Gallery, Chicago, IL  
**2002** Aaron Packer Gallery, Chicago, IL  
**2001** Lill Street Gallery, Chicago, IL  
SOFA Exposition 2001, Chicago, IL  
Aron Packer Gallery, Chicago, IL  
The Chicago Athenaeum, Schaumburg, IL  
**2000** Eastwick Art Gallery, Chicago, IL  
Rico Art Gallery, Santa Monica, CA  
Evanston Art Center, Evanston, IL  
**1999** Gallery 213 Com, Chicago, IL  
Yellow Gallery, Chicago, IL  
Lanning Gallery, Columbus, OH  
**1998** Lill Street Gallery, Chicago, IL  
Lanning Gallery, Columbus, OH  
**1997** Lill Street Gallery, Chicago, IL  
Eastwick Art Gallery, Chicago, IL  
**1996** Lill Street Gallery, Chicago, IL  
Eastwick Art Gallery, Chicago, IL  
Riverside Arts Center, Riverside, IL  
**1995** Lill Street Gallery, Chicago, IL  
SOFA Exposition, Chicago, IL  
**1994** Lill Street Gallery, Chicago, IL  
SOFA Exposition, Chicago, IL  
Contemporary Art Workshop, Chicago, IL  
**1993** Peter Mars Gallery, Chicago, IL  
**1992** Axis Gallery, Chicago, IL  
Kleiner Design/Fulton Street Gallery, Chicago, IL  
World Tattoo Gallery, Chicago, IL  
Guild for the Blind, Chicago, IL  
**1991** Ken & Ann Indermark's Art Feast, Chicago, IL

**SELECTED SITE-SPECIFIC COMMISSIONS**

- 2006** Westin Bayshore Hotel, Vancouver, BC  
**2005** Garfield Park Conservatory, Chicago, IL  
**2002** Baldyga Residence, Clifton Park, NY  
**2001** Pollari/Somol Residence, Los Angeles, CA  
**1998** Pacific Rim Restaurant, 900 North Michigan, Chicago, IL  
**1996** Pacific Rim Restaurant, Northbrook, IL  
**1994** Embassy Suites Hotel, St. Louis, MO

**AWARDS**

- 2015** Nominated USA Fellowship Award  
**2007** Joan Mitchell Foundation 2007 Painters and Sculptors Award, June 28, 2007  
Nominated for the 2007 Louis Comfort Tiffany Biennial Award, May 31, 2007

- 2006** Nominated for The Richard H. Driehaus Foundation Individual Artist Award,  
January 18, 2006

**BIBLIOGRAPHY AND PUBLICATIONS**

- 2013** "Organic Art." Art and Letter Magazine.  
**2012** Singer, Sally. "Editors Letter." New York Times Style Magazine  
Hodge, Brooke. "A New Leaf: The Artist Chris Garofalo Cultivates the Space Between  
the Real and the Surreal." New York Times Style Magazine.  
**2010** "Chris Garofalo: Acquitbotanous Zoolarty." Sculpture Magazine.  
**2009** "Elements of Land, Sea in New Muskegon Museum of Art Exhibit." The Muskegon  
Chronicle, May 31.  
**2006** Lopez, Ruth. "Chris Garofalo: Speculative Zoogeny." Time Out Chicago, January 26.  
Thomas, Mary. Pittsburgh Post-Gazette, June 15  
Klein, Paul. Art Letter, January 6.  
Artnet Magazine, January 17.  
Hawkins, Margaret. Chicago Sun-Times, January 20.  
**2005** *Hello Beautiful* radio interview, WBEZ Chicago Public Radio  
Huebner, Jeff. Chicago Tribune.  
Cameron, Kristi. "The Life Botanic." Metropolis Magazine.  
Noll, Damien. "Plants on Holiday." Chicago Journal.  
"Reciprocally Prickly: Garfield Park Conservatory." Garfield Park Conservatory, June.

**SELECTED COLLECTIONS**

- 2016** DePaul Art Museum, Chicago IL  
**2012** Cindy Sherman, New York/Paris  
**2012** Princess Caroline of Monaco, Principality of Monaco  
**2009** Muskegon Museum of Art, Muskegon MI