Mark Dorf

Biography

Mark Dorf is a New York-based artist working across photography, video, digital media, and sculpture. Engaging collaboratively with ecologists and technologists, Dorf's work questions perceptions of what Western culture often terms "Nature". His images and objects examine how design, image culture, technology, and science shape expectations of the "Natural" world, while engaging deeply with the digital processes behind their production. By making the marks of these often hidden digital processes visible, Dorf's work reflects an awareness of its own production, inviting viewers to consider how digital materials shape their own lives and subsequently alter their understanding of the "Natural" world and beyond. Through these inquiries into perception, ecological thought, and digital materiality, Dorf's practice proposes a dynamic, entangled planetary ecology that includes technological systems, and a future in the Anthropocene beyond environmental collapse.

His works has been exhibited in museums and galleries worldwide including The Museum für Gestaltung (Zurich, CH), The Center for Maine Contemporary Art (Rockport, ME), Foam Photography Museum (Amsterdam, NL), The Houston Center for Photography (Houston, TX), Le Lieu Unique (Nantes, FR), Les Rencontres d'Arles (Arles, FR), Frankfurter Kunstverein (Frankfurt, DE), Postmasters Gallery (New York, NY), bitforms Gallery (New York, NY), and The Lima Museum of Contemporary Art (Lima, PE), among others. Dorf's films have been featured on dis.art and VDrome.org.

His work can be found in the collections of the Foam Photography Museum, the RISD Museum, Fidelity Investments, the Deutsche Bank, and The Houston Center for Photography, along with numerous private collections. Additionally, Dorf's books are available in renowned libraries internationally, including The Thomas J. Watson Library at the Metropolitan Museum of Art, the Robert B. Haas Family Arts Library at Yale University, and the Avery Library at Columbia University.



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Curriculum Vitae

Education

2019 MFA, School of the Art Institute of Chicago
 2011 BFA, Savannah College of Art and Design

Selected Solo and Two Person Exhibitions

2023	A New Nature, Public Works Administration, New York, NY
2020	Contours, Somerset House, London, UK - Curated by Marcel Feil - Cancelled due to Covid-19
2017	Translations, Savannah College of Art and Design, Atlanta, GA
	Transposition, Postmasters Gallery, New York, NY
2016	Transposition, Prague Botanical Gardens, Fotograf Festival #6, Prague, CZ
	Irreality, School of Visual Arts CP Space, New York, NY
2015	Emergence, Postmasters Gallery, New York, NY
	Second Nature, Outlet Gallery, New York, NY
2014	Axiom & Simulation, Center for Fine Art Photography, Fort Collins, CO
2013	Environmental Occupations, SCAD Museum of Art, Savannah, GA

Selected Screenings and Events

2025	Preservation, Louisville Photo Biennial, Louisville, KY Tell me What You See?, Majestic Theatre, Crested Butte, CO — Performance lecture in collaboration with Dr. Paul CaraDonna A New Nature, Majestic Theatre, Crested Butte, CO
2024	A New Nature, Times Square Arts, Art Basel Miami Beach, Miami, FL
	Tell Me What You See?, Denver Botanic Gardens, Denver, CO — Performance lecture in collaboartion with Dr. Paul CaraDonna
2023	A New Nature, The National Arts Club, New York, NY
	A New Nature, Midnight Moment, Times Square Arts, New York, NY
	A New Nature, Nuit Blanche, Toronto, Canada
2022	A New Nature, dis.art – Online
2021	Contours, VDrome.org – Introductory interview conducted by Nora Khan

Selected Group Exhibitions

Del Speedrun Solo Quedó El Cansancio, Fundación Gilberto Alzate Avendaño, Bogotá, Colombia - upcoming Landscape of Absence, MeetFactory, Prague, CZ — Curated by Ján Gajduzek
Low Resolution, Postmasters Gallery / Transfer Gallery, New York, NY
Re-Imagine Tomorrow 1954-2024, König Gallery, Essen, DE
Science-Art Symposium: Mechanisms of Change, Denver Botanic Gardens, Denver, CO
Interface of the Abyss, Below Grand, New York, NY — Curated by Frank WANG Yefeng
Beginnings, NonostanteMarras, Milan, Italy — Curated by Marcella Manni
HAWAPI: Out Of Context, PS122 Gallery, New York, NY
Visions 2030, CalArts, Santa Clarita, CA
We Are They: Glitch Ecology, Honor Fraser Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
Beijing Art and Technology Biennial, Beijing, China
MUTEK Japan, Refraction, Tokyo, Japan
7Gardens, Anonymous Gallery, New York, NY
Event Horizon, Francisco Carolinum Museum, Linz, Austria - Curated by Anika Meier
We Are Nature, Ying Arts Center, Shanghai, China – Presented by WWF – Curated by Naiyi Wang
The Lowline, Public Works Administration, New York, NY
Digital Combines, bitforms Gallery – San Francisco, CA – Curated by Claudia Hart
Organic Material, organicmaterial.net – Online
Frameless30, frameless-muenchen.de – Online screening curated by Karin Zwack
DA-Z. Museum für Gestaltung. Zurich. Switzerland. – Curated by Hans Riegel

Into Action, Maine Center For Contemporary Art, Rockland, ME – Curated by Timothy Peterson

2021 GetxoPhoto Festival, Getxo, ES - Curated by Jon Uriarte EcoSpirits, Postmasters Gallery, New York, NY Natura-lism: The Age of Digital Nature, Presenza, London, UK 2020 Keeper Of the Hearth, Houston Center for Photography, Houston TX - Curated by Odette England Tree Of Life, bitforms Gallery, New York, NY - Curated by Claudia Hart Well Now WTF?, Hosted by Silicon Valet, Online - Curated by Faith Holland, Lorna Mils, and Wade Wallerstein On Earth, Foam Photography Museum, Amsterdam, NL - Curated by Hinde Heast and Marcel Feil The Drowned, Alabama Contemporary Art Center, Mobile, AL - Curated by Aaron Garvey Nature In Play, Metronom Gallery, Modena, IT 2019 On Earth, Les Rencontres d'Arles, Arles, FR - Curated by Hinde Heast and Marcel Feil Printed Matter LA Art Book Fair, Silent Face Projects, Los Angeles, CA 2018 Photobook Festival, International Center for Photography, New York, NY Autumn Invitational, Barney Savage Gallery, New York, NY Foam Talent, Frankfurter Kunstverein, Frankfurt, DE Foam Talent, Beaconsfield Gallery Vauxhall, London, UK Foam Talent, Red Hook Labs, Brooklyn, NY Living Still, Transmitter Gallery, Brooklyn, NY 2017 From My Point of View, Metronom Gallery, Modena, IT Foam Talent, Foam Photography Museum, Amsterdam, NL No Lemon, No Melon, Flowers Gallery, New York, NY Temporal Topologies, IFP Media Center, New York, NY – Curated by Danielle Ezzo Mermaids & Unicorns - Curated by Tina Sauerländer, Benoit Palop, Carlotta Meyer (Online) No Vacancy II, Squat Gallery, Brooklyn, NY - Curated by ALT_ESC Cityscapes, Galerie Philine Cremer, Düsseldorf, DE Paradise Out Front, The Southern, Charleston, SC - Curated by Eliot Dudik real-fake.org.02, Bronx Art Space, New York, NY - Curated by Claudia Hart, Rachel Clarke, and Pat Reynolds 2016 Future-isms, Humble Arts Foundation – Curated by Jon Feinstein (Online) Land Forms, Visual Studies Workshop, Rochester, NY Loving Earth, H18, Brussels, BE Eye South, University of Columbus, Columbus, GA Eternal Earth, Main Line Arts Center, Haverford, PA Cross Pollination, Gutstein Gallery, Savannah College of Art and Design, Savannah, GA Layered Landscapes, Philine Cremer Gallery, Düsseldorf, DE - Curated by Tina Sauerländer 30 Under 30ish, Victori + Mo, Brooklyn, NY Aint-Bad: Vision to Reality, SCAD Museum of Art - Curated by Susan Laney Cat Heroicus Sublimis, New Hive – Curated by Tina Sauerländer – (Online) Ornamentation of the Joint, Pfizer, Brooklyn, NY - Curated by Allison Peller NARGIFSUS, Transfer Gallery / New Hive, Brooklyn, NY - Curated by Carla Gannis and Tina Sauerländer New Realities, Telefónica Fundación, Lima, Peru – Curated by Alpha-ville 2015 Bring Your Own Beamer, Reverse Gallery, Brooklyn, NY - Curated by Helena Acosta The Wrong (again) - New Digital Art Biennale, Superscope Pavillion – (Online) Magenta Foundation Flash Forward, Division Gallery, Toronto, Canada Leiden International Photography Festival, Leiden, NL Unveil, Post-Contemporary, Troy, NY Natural Disruptions, Well House at Prospect Park, Brooklyn, NY Landscape As Fetish, Gallery Kayafas, Boston, MA – Curated by Greer Muldowney fig-2, Institute for Contemporary Arts [ICA], London, UK - Curated by Louise Benson and POSTMatter HAWAPI, Museo del Convento de Santo Domingo Qorikancha, Cusco, Peru // PATH, Loop Hole Gallery, CONTACT Photography Festival, Toronto, Canada Room 9, Panther Modern, commissioned by LaTurbo Avedon Dynamic Mapping, Abend Gallery, Denver, CO Refraction Index, Los Ojos, Brooklyn, NY 2014 HAWAPI, Lima Museum of Contemporary Art, Lima, PR Inverted Normals, Rowan University, Glassboro, NJ - Curated by Chris Manzione New Realities, Mobile World Centre, Barcelona, ES - Curated by Alpha-ville Breaking Ground: Contemporary Photography, College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, VA SALON I, HARBOR Gallery, New York, NY New Landscapes, Gallery 19, Chicago, IL #EverythingAllAtOnce, 48 Hoxton Square, London, UK PARALLELS, Neverland Space - Online exhibition of digital web-based works The Flash of an Instant, The New Art Center, Boston, MA Alone but Together, 15Folds.com SPUR, Village Gallery, Leeds, UK 2013 Surface Intentions, HARBOR Gallery, Brooklyn, NY The Six, Phoenix Gallery, New York, NY NURTUREart Annual Benefit, Bernarducci Meisel Gallerv, New York, NY Center Forward 2013, Center For Fine Art Photography, Fort Collins, CO 3rd Annual International Juried Photography Exhibition, Viridian Artists, New York, NY 2012 With / Out, Workhouse Arts Center, Lorton, VA enter: CR10, CR10 Arts, Hudson, NY

Art Fairs

Art Verona, Postmasters Gallery, Verona, IT
 Photo London, Savannah College of Art and Design, London, UK
 Art Fiera, Metronom Gallery, Bologna, IT
 Printed Matter LA Art Book Fair, Silent Face Projects, Los Angeles, CA
 Untitled Art Fair, Postmasters Gallery, Miami, FL
 Unseen Art Fair, Metronom Gallery, Amsterdam, NL
 COFA Contemporary Art Fair, Galerie Philine Cremer, Cologne, DE
 Untitled Art Fair, Postmasters Gallery, Miami, FL
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Artist Residencies

2023	Rocky Mountain Biological Labratory Artist in Residence – Gothic, CO – Supported by National Science Foundation
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2019	Banff Centre for the Arts – Digital Promises – Banff, Canada
2016	Meet Factory – Prague, CZ
2014	HAWAPI – Pariacaca, Peru
	Rocky Mountain Biological Labratory Artist in Residence - Gothic, CO - Supported by Naitonal Science Foundation
2013	Contemporary Arts Center Woodside – Troy, New York
2012	chaNorth Artist Residency – Pine Plains, New York
	Nes Artist Residency – Skagaströnd, Iceland

Awards and Honors

2017 2015	Foam Talent — Foam Photography Museum, Amsterdam, NL Mayer Foundation Grant
	KLOMPCHING Gallery Fresh 2015 finalist
	Magenta Foundation Flash Forward Winner
2014	2nd Annual New York Times Lens Portfolio Reviews
2012	Emerging Artist Fellowship – Phoenix Gallery
2011	Society for Photographic Education National Conference Scholarship

Visiting Lecturer / Workshops / Public Talks

2025	Tell me What You See?, Majestic Theatre, Crested Butte, CO — Performance lecture in collaboration with Dr. Paul CaraDonna
	School Of Visual Arts – Graduate Visiting Artist Lecture – New York, NY
2024	Tell Me What You See? – Performance lecture in collaboration with Dr. Paul CaraDonna – Science-Art Symposium: Mechanisms of Change – Denver Botanic Garden, Denver, CO
2023	Post-photographic Processes – Workshop – Anderson Ranch Arts Center – Snowmass, CO
	Beijing Art and Technology Biennial Symposium – Envisioning New Natures for the Anthropocene
	A conversation with Mark Dorf, Dr. Paul CaraDonna, and Dr. Giovanni Aloi – 789 CUBE – Beijing, China
	Technology As Ecology – Panel Discussion – Nxt Museum – Amsterdam, NL
	Caradonna Lab – Chicago Botanical Gardens – Lab visit and lecture – A New Nature – Chicago, IL
2022	School of the Art Institute of Chicago – MFA Program Mentor
	Rhode Island School of Design – Visiting Artist Lecturer– Providence, RI
	Post-photographic Processes – Workshop – Anderson Ranch Arts Center – Snowmass, CO
	Virtual Art Salon – Artist Lecture – Anderson Ranch Arts Center
	Parsons School of Design – Artist Lecturer – New York, NY
	Introduction to Blockchain – Fotografiska – New York, NY
2021	CCNY Department of Digital and Interdisciplinary Art Practice [DIAP] – Visiting Artist Lecturer – New York, NY
2020	NYU Tisch School of the Arts – Virtual Artist Lecture – New York, NY
	School of the Art Institute of Chicago – MFA Program Mentor
2019	Middlebury College – Visiting Artist Lecturer – Middlebury, VT
2018	School of Visual Arts – Visiting Artist Lecturer – New York, N Y
2017	Washington State University – Visiting Artist Lecturer – Pullman, WA
	Savannah College of Art and Design – Visiting Artist Lecturer – Atlanta, GA
	UArts – Visiting Artist Lecturer – Philadelphia, PA
2016	Bronx Art Space – real-fake.org.02 – Panel Discussion – New York, NY
2014	Harvard Graduate School of Design – Landscape Architecture Portfolio Reviews – Cambridge, MA
	School of Visual Arts – Artist Lecture – New York, NY
	Rocky Mountain Biological Laboratory [RMBL] – Artist Lecture – Gothic, CO
	School of the Art Institute of Chicago – Online Guest Lecture – Chicago, IL
	University of South Carolina – Artist Lecture – Columbia, SC
2013	Savannah College of Art and Design – Artist Lecture – Savannah, GA
	Cecil College – Artist Lecture – North East, MD
2012	Savannah College of Art and Design Lacoste – Artist Lecture – Lacoste, FR

Artist Books

2018	kin – Silent Face Projects
2016	Translations – Aint–Bad Editions
2015	Emergence – In the In-Between Editions

Selected Publications

2024	Midnight Moment: A Decade of Artists in Times Square — Phaidon Press
	Art Accrediting — Kaohsiung Museum of Fine Arts Taiwan — Issue No. 101
2023	Dear Dave Magazine — Issue No. 34
	Antennea Magazine — Earthly — Issue No. 61
	Granta Magazine – Sister, Brother, Issue No. 161
2022	IMA Magazine – Volume 29
2021	GetxoPhoto Festival Catalog – Cover Feature
2020	Keeper of the Hearth – Schilt Publishing – Edited by Odette England
2020	Foam Magazine – Elsewhere – Issue No. 56 – Cover Feature
•	Fusebox Festival Catalog – Cover
2019	ARCH + – Issue No. 234
2019	The Focal Press Companion to the Constructed Image in Contemporary Photography Routledge Press
2010	
	Edited by Marni Shindelman and Anne Massoni
2017	IMA Magazine – Volume 23
2017	FOAM Magazine – Talent Issue – Issue No. 48
0040	ARCH+ – Issue No. 228
2016	Off The Wall –Issue No. 10
	Photo Viz – Gestalten – Edited by Nicholas Felton
	FOAM Magazine – On Earth – Issue No. 44
2015	Granta Magazine – The Map is not the Territory, Issue No. 131
	Ain't-Bad Magazine – Vol. 3 Issue No. 1 - From Here On
	DIS Magazine (Digital) – The Data Issue
2014	HAWAPI – Etiqueta Negra
	VIEW Magazine – Emergence – Issue No. 10
	Quiet Lunch Magazine – //_PATH – Issue No. 1
	urbanBLUR - CND Publications – Thessaloniki, Greece
	Harvard Business Review – // PATH – Issue No. 92
2013	Orion Magazine – Axiom & Simulation – Vol. 3 Issue No. 2
	Geometry Makes Me Happy – Index Books - Barcelona Spain
2011	UNI Magazine (Dubai, UAE) – Interview on Environmental Occupations
	Ain't Bad Magazine – Issue No. 1 – Environmental Occupations
	Vision Magazine – Environmental Occupations
	Surface Magazine – Environmental Occupations

Selected Press

2025 2021 2020 2018	It's Nice That – Interview conducted by Henrik Olsen Vdrome.org – Interview conducted by Nora Khan The New York Times – Virtual Galleries: Well Now WTF? – Jilian Steinhauer The New Yorker – Review – Well Now WTF? – Johanna Fateman UK Photoworks – Ideas Series Interview
2010	The New Yorker – Review of Living Still at Transmitter Self Publish Be Happy – Journal
2017	The Creative Independent – Interview – Willa Köerner LENSCRATCH – Transposition Collector Daily – Review – Transposition at Postmasters Gallery Baxter Street Blog – Mark Dorf: Transposition Creators Project – Find Your "Alt + Esc" at this DIY Art Heaven ALT_ESC – Interview Tique Arts – Six Questions
2016	iGNANT – //_PATH Aint–Bad – Interview Artyčok.tv – Video Interview Landscape Stories – Issue No. 25 Art Zealous – 30 Under 30 Art Zealous – Technology and Aesthetics with Artist Mark Dorf Urbanautica – Transformation and Reassembly of a Fractured Landscape
2015	iGNANT – Digital Art: Beyond the Hype Hyperallergic – Review – Emergence at Postmasters Gallery Artsy – Review – Emergence at Postmasters Gallery Collector Daily – Review – Emergence at Postmasters Gallery Boston Globe – Review – Landscape as Fetish at Gallery Kayafas Al Jazeera – Interview RHIZOME – Artist Profile – Kerry Doran Cool Hunting – Interview 7electrons – Interview Hyperallergic – Review – Excavating Environmental Politics from Pristine Paintings and Photos Juxtapoz Magazine – // PATH
2014	ROOMS Magazine – Interview Central Station – Interview – Where I Make The Creators Project – Interview – Emergence LENSCRATCH – Emergence Redefine Magazine – Interview – Emergence

2015 The New Yorker Blog – Axiom & Simulation Frontier Psychiatrist – PARALLELS TIME Magazine's Lightbox - //_PATH A Still World - Interview Quiet Lunch Magazine - Interview 2013 MULL IT OVER - Interview iGNANT - //_PATH designboom - //_PATH Ain't-Bad Magazine - //_PATH Beautiful Decay - //_PATH In the In-Between: Journal of Digital Imaging Artists – // PATH In the In-Between: Journal of Digital Imaging Artists – Interview VICE: The Creators Project – //_PATH Unless You Will Magazine - Issue No. 28 - Axiom & Simulation Arts in Bushwick – Interview – Axiom & Simulation Orion Magazine - Interview - Axiom & Simulation

LENSCRATCH – Axiom & Simulation
2012 WeHeart – Interview – Axiom & Simulation

Feature Shoot – Axiom & Simulation iGNANT – Axiom & Simulation 2012 World Architecture News – Ways Of Seeing designboom – Axiom & Simulation

2011 UNI Magazine – Interview

aCurator Blog – Environmental Occupations 2010 designboom – Environmental Occupations

Collections

Yale University Robert B. Haas Family Arts Library
RISD Museum
Foam Photography Museum
Deutsche Bank Collection
Fleet Library at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago
Thomas J. Watson Library at the Metropolitan Museum of Art
Avery Library at Columbia University
John D. Rockefeller Library at Brown University
Luke Lindoe Library at the Alberta College of Art and Design
Fidelity Investments Collection
Rocky Mountain Biological Laboratory
Mercedes-Benz
Savannah College of Art and Design