



KOLLABS is Luis Garcia-Nerey and Anke Schofield

Miami, Florida and Atlanta, Georgia

KOLLABS *Deconstructing the Narrative*

KOLLABS is a collaborative project between artists Luis Garcia-Nerey and Anke Schofield. In their work, KOLLABS create compositions juxtaposing undomesticated animals within domestic and urban environments, highlighting the interaction between wildlife and the human experience.

Their work embarks on a journey in which the viewer is presented with an open-ended narrative and no definitive conclusion, engaging the viewer as a participant in the ultimate storyline of each piece. Whether literal or abstract, Garcia-Nerey and Schofield's pieces do not rationalize a specific idea of wilderness, but rather encourage the viewer to interpret the works without limitations by concrete definitions.

In their most recent series, *Deconstructing the Narrative* the duo delve into an exploration of fragmenting these typically ambiguous narratives. *The idea for us was to present a traditionally formatted painting paired with a deconstructed version to invite the viewer to search for broader and varied meanings.* Garcia-Nerey and Schofield continue to delve deeper into their work by further injecting the animals into everyday human situations, and through this process of anthropomorphizing animal behavior, challenge social norms and provoke thought in animal/human interactions.

Represented by Blue Gallery exclusively in the Midwest, KOLLABS mixed media paintings have been exhibited in prominent galleries throughout the US, and can be found in private and corporate collections worldwide. Luis Garcia-Nerey lives and works in Miami, Florida and Anke Schofield lives and works in Atlanta, Georgia. The two divide their creative time traveling between studios in both Miami and Atlanta in order to create their provocative pieces.

Blue Gallery

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Luis Garcia-Nerey

Born in Santurce, Puerto Rico

Education

Long Island University - CW Post – Long Island, New York
New World School of the Arts – Miami, Florida

Residencies

2012 Banff Centre - Banff Art in Residency program (BAIR) Alberta, Canada
2007 - 2014 ArtCenter/South Florida - Miami Beach, Florida
2004 - 2007 Bakehouse Art Complex - Miami, Florida
2001 Mattress factory Art Complex 1995 - present, Atlanta GA

Anke Schofield

Born in Ithaca, New York

Education

Savannah College of Art and Design: Atlanta Master in painting program
Savannah College of Art and Design: Savannah
Art in Amsterdam [2001] Boston College of Art Summer program

Residencies

2012 Banff Centre Artist in Residence Bair Program
2001 Stichting Kunst Academie Ruudt wackers, Amsterdam summer
1995 Maine photographic workshop
1995 - present - Mattress factory Art Complex, Atlanta GA

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Museum Exhibitions & Art Fairs

2019 -2013

National Museum of Wildlife Art - Western Visions exhibit - Jackson, Wyoming

2012

Hunter Museum of American Art – Spectrum 2012 – Chattanooga, Tennessee
National Museum of Wildlife Art - Western Visions exhibit - Jackson, Wyoming

2011

Texas Contemporary Art Fair - Houston, Texas
Wynwood Art Fair - Miami, Florida
National Museum of Wildlife Art - Jackson, Wyoming
San Francisco Art Fair - Gilman Contemporary – San Francisco, California
Affordable Art Fair - Myers Contemporary – Tribeca, New York

Solo Exhibitions

2019

De-Constructing the Narrative - Blue Gallery - Kansas City, Missouri
It'll Last Longer - Gallery Mar - Park City, Utah
Kingdom - Gallery 1401 - Chattanooga, Tennessee
KOLLABS New Work - Exhibits by Aberson - Tulsa, Oklahoma



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2018

Urban Kingdom - Diehl Gallery - Jackson, Wyoming
Wildwoods - Lanoue Gallery - Boston MA

2017

KOLLABS - Exhibits by Aberson - Tulsa, Oklahoma

2016

KOLLABS New Works - Diehl Gallery - Jackson, Wyoming
Native Wilderness - Gallery Mar - Park City, Utah
Majestic State - Blue Gallery - Kansas City - Missouri
Second Nature - Soren Christensen - New Orleans, Louisiana

2015

Art Basel Miami Invitational - Gallery Mar - Miami, Florida
Royal Garden - Blue Gallery - Kansas City, Missouri

2013

Inbound - Blue Gallery - Kansas City, Missouri
Urban Forest - Cheryl Hazan Gallery - Tribeca, New York
Kingdom - Soren Christensen Fine Art - New Orleans, Louisiana
Outside-In - Gilman Contemporary - Sun Valley, Idaho

2012

Conversations - Kollabs - Soren Christensen Gallery - New Orleans, Louisiana
Universal Garden - Kollabs - Lanoue fine Art - Boston, Massachusetts
Portrait of a Kingdom - Kollabs - Diehl Gallery - Jackson, Wyoming

2011

Constructing Parallels - Kollabs - Gilman Contemporary, Sun Valley, Idaho

2010

Urban Flight - Cheryl Hazan Gallery - Tribeca, New York
Bosque II - Astolfi Art - Atlanta Georgia

2009

Bosque - Art Department Gallery - Atlanta, Georgia

Group Exhibition

Kollabs is consistently in group shows throughout the year in all represented galleries

Representation

Blue Gallery - Kansas City, Missouri
Diehl Gallery - Jackson, Wyoming
Exhibit By Aberson - Tulsa, Oklahoma
Gallery 1401 - Chattanooga, Tennessee
Gallery Mar - Park City, Utah
Lanoue Gallery - Boston Ma
Orange Gallery, New Orleans, Louisiana
Visions West Gallery, Livingston & Boseman, Montana

