JJ Manford

b. 1983, Boston, MA
Lives and works in Brooklyn, NY

Education

2012
MFA, Painting, CUNY Hunter College, New York, NY

2009
Post-Baccalaureate Certificate, Painting and Drawing, School of The Art Institute of Chicago, IL

2006
BFA, Art History, Cornell University, College of Art, Architecture and Planning, Ithaca, NY

Solo Exhibitions

2025
Jacaranda June, Nazarian / Curcio, Los Angeles, CA

2024
Fifth Season, V1 Gallery, Copenhagen, Denmark
Jaune Brilliant, Galería Marta Cervera, Madrid, Spain
Hayden Rowe Street, Derek Eller Gallery, New York, NY

2023
The Golden Pheasant At Flamingo Estate & Other Tales of Wanderlust, Harper's, East Hampton, NY
In A Western Town, Berggruen Gallery, San Francisco, CA

2022
Our House, Harper's, Los Angeles, CA

2021
Moon Salon, Derek Eller Gallery, New York, NY
View from Gowanus, Harper's, East Hampton, NY

2019
Fish Tank TV (Project Room), Derek Eller Gallery, New York, NY

2018
NIGHT, One River, Westport, CT

2017
Greenport Magic, Arts +Leisure, New York, NY
Liminal Grove, One River in Allendale, and Englewood, NJ

2016
Wanderers and Wildflowers, John Davis Gallery, Hudson, NY

2013
Of Other Places, Sardine, Brooklyn, NY

2012
The Brink of Utterance, John Davis Gallery, Hudson, NY

2009
Recent Paintings, 76 Harley Street, London, UK

2007
Dissolving Lucian II/ Points of My Compass, Gershwin Gallery, New York, NY

2006
Lucian is Dissolving, Willard Straight Art Gallery, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY

Group Exhibitions

2026
JJ Manford + James Rosenquist, Harper's, New York, NY
Actual Notes, Galerie Rolando Anselmi, Rome, IT
LA BANDA 2026, Tappeto Volante, Brooklyn, NY
36 Paintings, Harper's, East Hampton, NY

2025
Fortune Teller, V1 Gallery, Copenhagen, Denmark
Dogs and Cats, SEPTEMBER, Kinderhook, NY
ExtraOrdinary, Deanna Evans Projects, New York, NY
Hubba Hideout, CANADA, New York, NY
Where Earth Meets Sky, König Galerie, Munich, Germany
Landscapes, V1 Gallery, Copenhagen, Denmark

2024
Paper View 2, The Hole, New York, NY

Not Your Regular Painting, F2T Gallery, Milan, Italy
Tablescapes, James Cohan, New York, NY
Cover Band, Asya Geisberg, New York, NY
Tone Poem, The Hole, Los Angeles, CA
Departures and Returns, WINDOW, Anton Kern Gallery, New York, NY
La Banda, Tappeto Volante Projects, Brooklyn, NY
Inaugural Group Exhibition, Derek Eller Gallery, New York, NY

2023
RIPE, Harper's, Los Angeles, CA
Levity, Alexander Berggruen Gallery, New York, NY
Don't Sweat the Technique, with Michael Berryhill and Matt Kleberg, KDR305, Miami, FL
LIBRARY, curated by Glenn Goldberg, TV Projects, Brooklyn, NY
The Power to Dream, curated by James Bolton, Galerie Hussenot, Paris, France

2022
In Residence, Studio Archive Projects, New York, NY
Brooklyn Bridge, McBride Contemporain, Montreal, Quebec, Canada
Manscaping, The Hole, New York, NY and Los Angeles, CA
Interior Dialogues, V1 Gallery, Copenhagen, Denmark
Psychedelic Landscape, Eric Firestone Gallery, New York, NY
What A Long Strange Trip, Analog Diary, Beacon, NY
Chasing Phantoms, The Pit, Los Angeles, CA
What Now?, PM/AM Gallery, London, UK
Drawing with Scissors, Berggruen Gallery, San Francisco, CA
Prism, Y2K, New York, NY
Lexicon of Love, Studio Archive Project, Brooklyn, NY
Andrea Festa Fine Art, Rome, Italy

2021
A Flower Show, Gangway NPT, Newport, RI
Spiritual Art Advisory, Greenpoint Terminal Gallery, Brooklyn, NY
Melrose, Harper's Los Angeles, CA
Oasis, The Pit, Palm Springs, CA
Unraveling, Hesse Flatow, New York, NY
Hello From the Living Room, 1969 Gallery, New York, NY
Michael Berryhill & JJ Manford, One River, Allendale, NJ

2020
Summer Group Exhibition, Derek Eller Gallery, New York, NY
Quarters, Alexander Berggruen Gallery, New York, NY

2019
The Mind is Also a Landscape, Public Land/ Print Club LTD, Sacramento, CA

The Garden of Earthly Delights, curated by Timothy Bergstrom, Washington Art Association, New York, NY
Mushrooms, Y2K Group, 7 Franklin Place, New York, NY
Decade, curated by Sun You, SFA Projects New York, NY
New York, Just Like I Pictured It, Platform, Brooklyn, NY
Making (It) Work, curated by Karla Wozniak and Georgia Elrod, Hubbell Street Galleries, California College of Arts, San Francisco, CA
Under the Time of Lampshades, Transmitter NYC, Brooklyn, NY

2018
In Form: BMCC Art Faculty Exhibition, Shirley Fiterman Art Center, New York, NY
Big Holiday Show, LabSpace, Hillsdale, NY
7 Samurai, Platform Project Space, Brooklyn, NY
GlenLily Grounds 2018, Newburgh, NY
Idols and Icons, curated by Muskat/Knoll, Geoffrey Young Gallery, Great Barrington, MA
Summer of Love, Freight and Volume Gallery, New York, NY
Gangs of New York, curated by Essex Flowers, Adds Donna, Chicago, IL
DNA Residency Show, Provincetown, MA
Untitled Projects, curated by Catherine Haggarty & Karen Flatow, Crush Curatorial, Amagansett, NY
True North, LabSpace, Hillsdale, NY
Foundation Faculty Exhibition, Schafler Gallery, Pratt Institute, Brooklyn, NY
Ring of Fire, Far x Wide, for Earth Justice, Brooklyn, NY

2017
Nostalgisms, curated by Nick Benfey, Able Baker Contemporary, Portland, ME
Indian Summer, Disturb the Neighbors, New York, NY
In Paper We Trust, curated by Sara Clarken & Brigette Mulholland, Dot Project, London, UK
The Secret Life of Plants, curated by Jennifer Coates and Nick Lawrence, Freight and Volume, New York, NY
Conference Object, curated by Sarah Butler, Cairo, NY

2016
Cave, curated by Michael Yaniro, Jay, NY
Lunacy, curated by Nick Benfey, Able Baker Contemporary, Portland, ME
Jardin, No. 4 Studio, Brooklyn, NY
Gazing Inland, COOP, Nashville, TN
Family Values, curated by Paola Gallio, 195 Christie St., New York, NY
Tread, curated by Alex Sewell, Ess Ef Eff at the Living Gallery, Brooklyn, NY
Your Bad Self, Arts and Leisure, New York, NY

2015
Improvised Showboat #5, curated by Zachary Keeting and Lauren Britton with Ashley Garrett and Brian Wood, New York, NY

New Work City, curated by Julie Torres, Momenta Art, Brooklyn, NY
Botanic Revival: JJ Manford and Amy Lincoln, One River Gallery, Englewood, NJ

2014
The Art of Compassion, Freight and Volume, New York, NY
Family Style, curated by Julie Torres, Formerly Pocket Utopia, New York, NY
Through Every Leaf, with Max Razdow, Freight + Volume Gallery, New York, NY

2013
Typhoon Haiyan Philippines Relief Benefit, Lodge Gallery, New York, NY
C'est Brooklyn-Paper, Janet Kurnatowski Gallery, Brooklyn, NY
Strange Times, Novella Gallery, New York, NY

2012
Peaces On Earth, Sardine, Brooklyn, NY
Soft Opening, Heliopolis, Brooklyn, NY
Hogwarth Worldwide Biannual, Hogwarth Worldwide Inc, New York, NY
Hunter MFA Thesis Show, Times Square Building, Hunter MFA Building, New York, NY
Brucennial (Bruce High Quality Foundation Biennial), New York, NY
The Whitney Houston Biennial, Murdertown, Chicago, IL
Paperazzi, Janet Kurnatowski Gallery, Brooklyn, NY
Mic: Check (Occupy), Sideshow Gallery, Brooklyn, NY

2011
Idiot's Delight, curated by Craig Olson, Janet Kurnatowski Gallery, Brooklyn, NY
Temporary Antumbra Zone, Janet Kurnatowski Gallery, Brooklyn, NY
Purple Nurple, Beta Space, Brooklyn, NY
Espacio Entre Medio, Chemi's Room, Santurce, Puerto Rico
IT'S ALL GOOD, Apocalypse Now, Sideshow Gallery, Brooklyn, NY
Stillness is the Move, Two-Person Show with Elisa Soliven, Saffron Space, Brooklyn, NY

2010
Half Invisible, Beta Space, Brooklyn, NY
Painting Comes Alive!, Art Jail, New York, NY
12 and Under, Saffron Space, Brooklyn, NY
A Mermaid Day, Mermaid Parade Coney Island, Brooklyn, NY
Dance Ghost, Vaudaville Park, Brooklyn, NY

2009
Cadaver Corpse, Space 1026, Philadelphia, PA
Cadaver Corpse, Golden Age, Chicago, IL
Fari Shams/JJ Manford Recent Paintings, 76 Harley St., London, UK

2008
MFA Show, The Art Institute of Chicago, Sullivan Gallery, Chicago, IL

2006
The Antiques Show, Tjaden Art Gallery, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY
Yay! Nature!, abandoned storefront, Ithaca, NY

2005
The Bunny Project, Outdoor installation
Working Framework, Columbus, OH, and Ithaca, NY

2004
Overdue, Thesis and pre-thesis Open House, Sibley Arts Library, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY
The String Project, Tjaden Hall, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY
The Rome Show, Palazzo Lazzaroni, Cornell in Rome and Hartell Gallery, Ithaca, NY

Selected Publications

2026
Lozano, Rafael. “JJ Manford, el pintor que adora las casas de Almodóvar.” *La Vanguardia*, 14 Jun. 2026. Web.

2024
“In 2002, Gordon Sander ’72 ‘Adopted’ JJ Manford ’06. 22 Years Later, Sander Wrote a Book About Him.” *The Cornell Daily Sun*, 24 Nov. 2024. Web.
Kuspit, Donald. “JJ Manford.” *Artforum*, 1 Apr. 2024. Print/Web.
Ghassemitari, Shawn. “The Muses of Artist JJ Manford Take Center Stage in ‘Fifth Season.’” *Hypebeast*, 21 Aug. 2024. Web.

2023
Den Breejen, Erik. “Optical Delight with a Punch.” *The New York Sun*, 11 Jul. 2023. Web.

2022
Lesser, Casey. “10 Sought-After Artists on Artsy in 2022.” *Artsy*, 15 Dec. 2022. Web.
“‘20 (What Now?)’ at PM/AM.” *Emergent Magazine*, May 2022. Web.
Zappas, Lindsay Preston. “JJ Manford at Harper’s.” *KCRW Art Insider*, 19 Mar. 2022. Web.

2021
Jambhekar, Neha. “Editors’ Picks: 14 Events for Your Art Calendar This Week...” *Artnet News*, 2 Nov. 2021. Web.
Fateman, Johanna. “JJ Manford.” *The New Yorker*, 29 Oct. 2021. Print/Web.
Alessandrini, Christopher. “JJ Manford: Moon Salon.” *TheGuide.Art*, 14 Oct. 2021. Web.

Biller, Steven. “Fresh Paint: The Pit Gallery Makes Its Palm Springs Debut with ‘Oasis.’” *Palm Springs Life*, 18 Jun. 2021. Print/Web.

2020
Cueva, Nicholas. “JJ Manford: Unraveling at Hesse Flatow.” *Whitehot Magazine*, 17 Jul. 2020. Web.
“Art for the In Crowd: 8 Artworks Depicting the Great Indoors.” *Artspace*, 8 Apr. 2020. Web.
“JJ Manford at Derek Eller Gallery.” *Art Viewer*, 1 Jan. 2020. Web.
“20 Questions for JJ Manford.” *Ithaca MOMA*, 2020. Web.

2019
Burns, Emily. “Interview with JJ Manford.” *Maake Magazine*, Issue 9, 2019. Print/Web.
Ainslie, Liz. “JJ Manford’s Domestic Stages for Acid Daydreams.” *Two Coats of Paint*, 26 Nov. 2019. Web.
“There’s a Thriving Underground Barter Network Among Artists. Doug Aitken, Dread Scott, and 12 Others Tell Us About Their Most Memorable Trades.” *Artnet News*, 10 Apr. 2019. Web.

2016
“The 20 Best Booths at Frieze New York.” *Artsy*, 5 May 2016. Web.

2015
Colvin, Rob. “A Charming Reverence for Color: Artists Revisit Paul Klee.” *Hyperallergic*, 28 Oct. 2015. Web.

2014
Grossman, Pam. “Max Razdow and JJ Manford Show.” *Phantasmaphile*, 16 Jul. 2014. Web.
Bradford, Katherine. “Katherine Bradford Interviews JJ Manford.” *On-Verge*, 14 Nov. 2014. Web.
Frank, Peter. “Through Every Leaf.” *The Huffington Post*, 5 Sep. 2014. Web.

2012
Calandra, Maria. “JJ Manford: Studio Visit.” *Pencil in the Studio*, Dec. 2012. Web.

Public Collections

Brooklyn Museum, Brooklyn, NY
Everson Museum of Art, Syracuse, NY
Institute of Contemporary Art, Miami, FL