### **George Bolster**

b. 1972, Cork, Ireland Lives and works in New York, NY

### Education

- 1999 MA, Film and Video, Central Saint Martins College of Art, University of the Arts London, London, UK
- 1997 BA. Painting, Chelsea College of Art and Design, University of the Arts, London, London, UK (Hons)
- 1995 Erasmus Fellowship Exchange Program, Hochschule Der Kunst, Berlin, Germany

#### Solo Exhibitions

- 2024 Fallible Earthlings, Ulterior Gallery, New York, NY
- 2023 A Reality of Science-Fiction, Linenhall Arts Centre, Mayo, Ireland Communication: We Are Not The Only Ones Talking, Uilinn, Cork, Ireland
- 2022 All Life Communicates, Centre Culturel Irlandais, Paris, France
- 2021 Solo Project, Focus Section, The Armory Show, Javits Center, New York, NY Imminent Archive, Rule Gallery, Marfa, TX
- 2020 NADA Miami, Ulterior Gallery, New York, NY Tearing at the Fabric of Your Reality, Ulterior Gallery, New York, NY You Are Made of Stardust, Solstice Arts Centre, Navan, Co. Meath, Ireland New Viewings, Barbara Thumm Gallery, Berlin, Germany
- 2019 Tatooine: Sci-Fi Becoming Reality, Sirius Arts Centre, Co. Cork, Oreland
- 2018 Towards a Universal Sublime, Galeria HIT, Bratislava, Slovakia
- 2016 Archive for an Unmade Narrative, CPI/21st St. Projects, New York, NY
- 2015 Amazement Insulates Us All/Memento Vivere, The Lab Gallery, Dublin, Ireland
- 2014 Un/natural History, La Nuit Blanche, Commissioned Installation, Toronto, Canada Self Erosion, TB Projects, Provincetown, MA
- 2013 Future Imperfect (part 3), Monster Truck Gallery, Dublin, Ireland
- 2010 Sociodesic, Galway Arts Centre, Galway City, Ireland
- 2009 High on Christ, Chung King Project, Los Angeles, CA
- 2008 Chiesa Dei Miracoli, Triskel Arts Centre, Cork City, Ireland United in Suffering, Belltable Arts Centre, Limerick, Ireland
- 2006 Overcome by Heavenly Music, Ballina Arts Centre, Mayo, Ireland
- 2005 Eye of the Needle, Pallas Heights Gallery, Dublin, Ireland

#### **Group Exhibitions**

- 2024 Nature Gaia, Bangkok Art Biennial Bangkok, Thailand
- 2023 Rauschanberg Residency: Explorations and Experimentations, Captiva Civic Center, FL There's No Place Like Home, Arthouse, Jersey, UK Into the Weave, Lavit Gallery, Cork City, Cork, Irealand
- 2022 By A Thread, Shirley Fiterman Arts Center at BMCC, New York, NY

	The Space We Occupy, Solas Nua, Washington, D.C. A Six and Seven, Ulterior Gallery, New York, NY
2021	The Space We Occupy, Irish Arts Center, New York, NY
	Woman in the Machine, Carlow Arts Festial and VISUAL Carlow, Carlow, Ireland
	Stratopause, Gibbons & Nicholas, Dublin, Ireland
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	New Viewings, Barbara Thumm Gallery, Berlin Gallery Weekend, Berlin, Germany
2020	RHA 190 <sup>th</sup> Annual Exhibition, Royal Hibernian Academy, Dublin, Ireland
2019	Traveling to the End, National Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art, Korea, Gwacheon-si, Korea
	Music + Maker, Solstice Arts Centre, Navan, Co. Meath, Ireland
	Dynasty, PS122 New York, NY
2018	Elsewhere, Ulterior Gallery, NY
	In the Future, Collyer Bristow Gallery, London, UK
	Seven Senses, Elizabeth Foundation for the Arts, New York, NY
2017	We Need to Talk, Petzel, New York, NY
	CF, The Research Pavillion, Venice, Italy
2016	Making Contact, NUMU, New Museum, Los Gatos, CA, USA
	Et si on s'était trompé?, FE McWilliam Gallery, Down, Northern Ireland
	Traveling to, Leitrim Sculpture Center, Manorhamilton, Co. Leitrim; Wexford Art Center
	Co, Wexford; West Cork Arts Center, Co. Cork, Ireland
	Kenosis in the Supervoid, Station Independent, New York, NY
2015	SEACHANGE Tulca, Festival of Visual Arts, Galway City, Ireland
	Et si on s'était trompé?, Centre Culturel Irlandais, Paris, France
	Red/Orange Fruit (Traveling Film program), Oklahoma Contemporary, Oklahoma City,
	OK; MARFA Contemporary, Marfa, TX
2014	Seconds, Sharjah Art Foundation, Sharjah, United Arab Emirates
	Out to Sea, South St. Seaport, Festival, New York, NY
	Irish Art Does Not Exist, Station Independent, New York, NY
	Anomie: Fractured Art Norms, Dowd Gallery, SUNY Cortland, Cortland, NY
2012	Other Drawings, Ormston House, Limerick, Ireland
2011	Drawing Biennial, Drawing Room, London, UK
2010	These Days: Elegies for Modern Times, MASS MoCA, North Adams, MA
	Bizarre Bazaar, Pallas Contemporary Projects, Dublin, Ireland
2009	Drawing Biennial, The Drawing Room, London, UK
	These Days: Elegies for Modern Times, Mass MoCA, North Adams, MA
	Malibu Contemporary Art Fair, Los Angeles, CA
2008	Darkness Visible, Galway Arts Centre, Ireland; Limerick City Gallery of Art, Limerick,
	Ireland; and Belltable Gallery, Limerick, Ireland
2007	Urban Gothic, Café Gallery Projects at Dilston Grove, London, UK
	LA in New York Art Fair, Chung King Projects, New York, NY
	Drawing 07, The Drawing Room, London, UK
	Cead Invited, 411 Gallery, Shanghai, China
2006	Flip, Chung King Projects, Los Angeles, CA (curated by The Drawing Room, UK)

	Urban Gothic, Quartair, The Hague, Netherlands
	I.D. Check, Robert Smith Lab Gallery, New York, NY (curated by Matt Garrison)
	Everything Must Go, VTO Gallery, London, UK (curated by Jari Lager)
	Multiplicity, Market House Gallery, Monaghan, Ireland
2005	Passing Through, Glucksman Gallery, Cork, Irelan (curated by Patrick T Murphy)
	Claremorris Open 2005, Mayo, Ireland (selected by Andrea Schlieker)
	E+VA, Limerick City Gallery of Art, Limerick, Ireland (curated by Dan Cameron,
	Prospect 1)
	Past and Present, Greyfriars Municipal Gallery, Waterford, Ireland
	Drawing 200, The Drawing Room, London, UK
	Damaged Collateral, Context Gallery, Derry, Northern Ireland
	Multiplicity, Context Gallery, Derry, Northern Ireland; Roscommon Arts Centre,
	Roscommon, Ireland
	Bling Bling Ka-ching, Pickled Art Centre, Beijing, China
2004	Multiplicity, Fota House Museum, Cork City, Ireland
	Abra Cadaver, Here Arts Centre, New York, NY
2003	Brewster Project, Brewster, New York, NY
	Certain Conditions, The Waterfront Gallery, Belfast, Northern Ireland
2002	No Sleep 'til Hammersmith, Central Space, London, UK
2001	Record Collection, VTO Gallery, London, UK
	The International 3 Gallery, Manchester, UK
	Forde Espace D, art Contemporain, Geneva, Switzerland
2000	Exit, Chisenhale Gallery, London, UK
1998	Motherlode, City Racing, London, UK
Reside	encies and Awards
2019	The Centre Culturel Irlandais Residency, Paris, France
2017–	•
2017	Alumni Residency Award, Rauschenberg Foundation, New York, NY
2015	Artist in Residence, SETI Institute, Mountain View, CA. Researching at NASA Ames, CA
	(2016–18)
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2012	Fire Station International Artist's Residency, Dublin, Ireland
2010	Visual Arts Bursary Award, The Arts Council of Ireland, Ireland
2009	Commission Award, MassMoCA, North Adams, MA
	Culture Ireland, Ireland
2008	Grants for Artists, The Arts Council of England, UK
1995–	96 Erasmus Student Award, Hochschule Der Kunst, Berlin, Germany

### **Publications**

2021 Tearing at the Fabric of Your Reality (Book), Irish Arts Centre. Hirmer; Austria (forthcoming)

- 2018 Towards A Universal Sublime (Book) Hit Gallery, essay by Sara Reisman, interview with Denise Markonish
  - In The Future (Catalog), by Rosalind Davis for Collier Bristow Gallery, UK
- 2016 An Image of Ireland, Imago Mundi Luciano Benetton Collection (book) edited by Sean Kissane and Ciara Gibbons
- 2015 What If We Got It Wrong (Catalogue), by Katherine Waugh and Nora Hickey Sichilli Centre Culturel Irlandais, Paris, FR
- 2014 Abridged 0 34, Art Magazine
- 2013 Firestation 20 Years, (Book)
- 2011 Creative Ireland: The Visual Arts (Book), by Seán Kissane (IMMA) and Noel Kelly (VAI)
- 2010 Sociodesic (Catalog), Galway Arts Centre, Galway City, Ireland
- 2009 These Days: Elegies for Modern Times (Catalog), Mass MoCA
- 2008 Chiesa Dei Miracoli (Catalog), by Denise Markonish, Triskel Arts Centre, Cork, Ireland
- 2007 Pallas Heights 2003 2007 (Book), edited by Brian Duggan & Mark Cullen Urban Gothic, (Catalog), essay by Charles Darwent, Dilston Road/Cafe Gallery **Projects** 
  - /Seconds, Online Publication, University of Leicester
- 2005 Passing Through, (Catalog) by Patrick Murphy, Glucksman Gallery, Cork, Ireland COE 2005, (Catalog) by Andrea Schlieker, Claremorris, Ireland EV+A 2005, (Book) for EV+A, Limerick City, Ireland (Dan Cameron)
- 2004 Multiplicity, (Catalog) essay by Koan Jeff Baysa, Fota House and Gardens, Cork, IE
- 2003 Certain Conditions, (Catalog) Waterfront Gallery, Belfast, NI
- 2002 Space Cooks, (Book), by Stephen Hepworth, Space Studios, London, UK

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- Goodman, Jonathan. "Elsewhere, at Ulterior Gallery," Arte Fuse, January 10, 2019.
- Lee, Pamela. "Environmental Outlook, Irish Galleries At Basel," Visual Artit's News Sheet, Issue 4: July-August 2019. P.15.
- Music + Maker: The Journal of Music. March 14, 2019.

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Dunne, Aiden. Review: Other Drawings, The Irish Times, 2012.

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Collections Blake Byrne Collection David Sylvian, UK OPW Collection (Office of Public Works), Irish Government Collection