Rick Lowe Biography

Born in 1961, Russell County, AL. Lives and works in Houston.

Academic Profession:

2016 Professor of Art, University of Houston.

Education:

1979-1982	Columbus State University, Columbus, GA.
1990-1992	Texas Southern University, Houston.
2001-2002	Loeb Fellow, Harvard Graduate School of Design, Cambridge, MA.
2013-2015	Mel King Community Fellow, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA.
2015	Honorary Doctorate, Otis College of Art, Los Angeles.
2015	Honorary Doctorate Maryland Institute College of Art, Baltimore.

Residencies:

2024 Roy Lichtenstein Artist in Residence, American Academy in Rome.

Solo Exhibitions:

2025	Rick Lowe: Harbour Fragments. Gagosian, Hong Kong.
	Rick Lowe. Gagosian, Burlington Arcade, London.
	Rick Lowe. University of Michigan Museum of Art, Ann Arbor.
2024	Rick Lowe: In Search of Light. Gagosian, Gstaad, Switzerland.
	Rick Lowe: The Arch within the Arc. Museo di Palazzo Grimani, Venice.
2023	Rick Lowe: Still Learning from Athens. Gagosian, Athens.
	Hic sunt dracones (Here Lay Dragons) Mapping the Unknown: A project by Rick Lowe. Benaki Museum / Pireos 138, Athens.
2022	Rick Lowe: Notes on the Great Migration. Neubauer Collegium, University of Chicago, Chicago.
	Rick Lowe: Meditations on Social Sculpture. Gagosian, 541 West 24th Street, New York.
2020	Rick Lowe: New Paintings & Drawings. Art League Houston, Houston.
2019	Rick Lowe: The Humility Table. Louise Alexander / AF Projects, Los Angeles.
2018	Rick Lowe. Hiram Butler Gallery, Houston.
2005	Rick Lowe: Toward Social Sculpture, Glassell School, Museum of Fine Arts, Houston.

Selected Group Exhibitions:

2024	Social Abstraction. Gagosian, Beverly Hills, CA.
	Social Abstraction. Gagosian, Hong Kong.
	Effoto Notte: Nuovo Realismo Americano. Gallerie Nazionali di Arte Antica, Palazzo Barberini, Rome.
	Revolutions: Art from the Hirshhorn Collection, 1860–1960. Hirshhorn Museum and
	Sculpture Garden, Washington, D.C.
2023	Multiplicity: Blackness in Contemporary American Collage. Frist Art Museum,
	Nashville, TN.
2022	Whitney Biennial: Quiet as It's Kept. Whitney Museum of American Art, New York.
	Tangible/Nothing. Ruby City, San Antonio.
	Black Abstractionists: From then until Now. Green Family Art Foundation, Dallas.
	Urban Impressions: Experiencing the Global Contemporary Metropolis. Moody Center
	for the Arts, Rice University, Houston.
2021	Social Works, curated by Antwaun Sargent. Gagosian, 555 West 24th Street, New
	York.
	Social Works II, curated by Antwaun Sargent. Gagosian, Grosvenor Hill, London.
	Texas Triennial. Ruby City Museum, San Antonio.
	Toward Common Cause: Art, Social Change, and the MacArthur Fellows Program at
	40. Smart Museum, Chicago.
2020	Storage Storage Projects, New York.
2019	<i>Place</i> . Hiram Butler Gallery, Houston.
	<i>Prizm Art Fair</i> . Miami.
2018	Polis. Museo de Antioquia, Medellin, Colombia.
2017	Documenta 14. Victoria Square Project, Athens.
	Budapest Windows, in collaboration with Maria Papadimitriou. Budapest.
2014	Work in Public. Dacad, Berlin.
2013	ECONOMY. Center for Contemporary Art, Glasgow, Scotland.
0010	ExChange. Nasher Sculpture Center, Dallas.
2012	Memory Lab. Center for Living Arts, Mobile, AL.
0010	A Life in Common. Cittadell art/Fondazione Pistoletto, Biella, Italy.
2010	2010 Anyang Public Art Program. Anyang, South Korea.
2009	Needle in a Haystack. Center for the Arts, Eagle Rock, Los Angeles.
	Into the Open: Positioning. Parsons at the New School for Design, New York.
2000	No Zoning. Contemporary Arts Museum, Houston.
2008	Into the Open: Positioning Practice. Venice Architecture Biennale, Venice.
2005	In Katrina's Wake. Blanton Museum of Art, Austin.
2005 2001	Toward Social Sculpture. Glassell School, Museum of Fine Arts, Houston.
2000	New Land Marks. Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, Philadelphia. OutBound. Contemporary Arts Museum, Houston.
1997	Gwangju Biennale. Gwangju, South Korea.
177/	Neuberger Biennial. Neuberger Museum of Art, Purchase, NY.
1995	Uncommon Sense. Museum of Contemporary Art, Los Angeles.
1996	Soft Urbanism. Kumamoto Museum of Art Kumamoto, Japan.
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Alternative Community Art Projects:

2018-	Black Wall Street Journey. Chicago.
2018-	Greenwood Art Project. Tulsa, OK.
2016-	Victoria Square Project. Athens.
2013-2018	Trans.lation: Vickery Meadow. Dallas.
2012-2013	Africa Town Project. Mobile, AL.
2010	Small Business Big Change. APAP 2010, Anyang, South Korea.
2008–2010	exchange/value project (in collaboration with artist Wendy Ewald and students). Amherst College, Amherst, MA.
2006–2010	Transforma Projects (in collaboration with Sam Durant, Mel Chin, Tom Finkelpearl, Jessica Cusick et al). New Orleans.
	Eatonville 2037. Eatonville, FL.
2003-2004	Delray Beach Cultural Loop. Delray Beach, FL.
2003	Borough Project. in collaboration with Suzanne Lacy and Mary Jane Jacobs, Spoleto Festival, Charleston, SC.
2002	Freehouse (with Jeanne Van Heeswijk). Rotterdam, Netherlands.
1998	May Street: A Place for Remembrance. Fairmount Art Park Association, Philadelphia.
1996-2012	Watts House Project. Los Angeles.
1993–2018	Project Row Houses. Housto.

Awards:

2024	Posey Leader-In-Residence and Posey Leadership Award.
2022	Inducted into the National Academy of Design for 2022.
2020	Texas Artist of the Year, Art League of Houston.
2019	Texas 3D Artist of the Year, Texas Commission on the Arts.
2015	Texas Medal of Arts Award for Visual Arts, Texas Commission on the Arts.
2014	MacArthur Fellowship, MacArthur Foundation.
2010	Leonore Annenberg Prize for Art & Social Justice, Creative Time, New York.
2009	Skandalaris Award for Art and Architecture.
	United States Artists Booth Fellowship in Design.
2006	Brandywine Lifetime Achievement Award .
2005	Osher Fellow, Exploratorium, San Francisco.
2005	Skowhegan School of Painting and Sculpture Governors Award.
2002	Heinz Award in the Arts and Humanities.
2000	American Institute of Architecture Keystone Award.
1997	Rudy Bruner Award for Excellence in the Urban Environment.

Collections:

Aishti Foundation, Lebanon ASOM Foundation, Liechtenstein, Germany Blackstone Art Collection Brooklyn Museum, New York The Columbus Museum, GA de Young Museum, San Francisco

Fine Arts Museums of San Francisco
High Museum of Art, Atlanta
Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden Washington, DC
Institute of Contemporary Art, Miami
Los Angeles County Museum of Art
Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York
Menil Collection, Houston
Museum of Fine Arts, Houston
National Gallery of Art, Washington, DC
Nerman Museum of Contemporary Art, Overland Park, KS
Tanoto Foundation, Singapore
Tate Modern, London
UBS Art Collection, Zurich
Whitney Museum of American Art, New York