

Alexander Klingspor
Swedish, b. 1977



After commencing his education studying under Swedish artist and illustrator Michael Boston, at age 22, Alexander Klingspor moved to Kansas City, Missouri, to apprentice under the renowned American illustrators and painters Mark English and John English. Upon returning to Stockholm, he joined the workshop of Magnus Bratt, a copyist for Sweden's National Museum specializing in sixteenth-century oil painting. He then studied structural anatomy with sculptors Chris Raccioppi, Paul Oestreicher, and Frank Porcu at the Art Students League in New York.

Between 2008 and 2019, Klingspor lived in New York City, where he focused on large-scale, multi-figurative oil paintings addressing questions of consumption, isolation, and imagination. With gallery representation in New York, Stockholm, and London, he maintained studios in New York's Union Square and Stockholm's Royal Academy and his work was exhibited at Christie's Stockholm, the LA Art Show, the Miami Art Fair, and Sweden's Waldemarsudde and VIDA museums, as well as numerous international galleries.

Among Klingspor's commissioned projects were paintings for foundations helmed by Prince Carl Philip and Princess Sofia of Sweden and Prince Albert II of Monaco, the latter benefitting global environmental sustainability. In 2018, Klingspor also collaborated with novelist Sir Salman Rushdie and composer Ittai Shapira on "The Midnight's Children Project," a visual and musical interpretation of Rushdie's award-winning novel exploring the use of magical realism to make sense of cultural conflict. The musical score was performed by the BBC National Orchestra of Wales and the project was an official selection at numerous film festivals, including the Los Angeles Independent Film Festival.

Beginning in 2020, Klingspor expanded to bronze sculpture, casting his work at the acclaimed Perseo Foundry in Switzerland. Early pieces were shown at the London Art Fair in 2022, with the largest on display from October 2023 to June 2024 in New York's Union Square Park. Notable collectors of Klingspor's work include Iris Cantor, Whoopi Goldberg, and Stellan Skarsgård.

Studies

Michael Boston Studio, Stockholm, Sweden

Illustration Academy Kansas City Missouri, USA
John and Mark English, Kansas City, Missouri, USA
Atelier Magnus Bratt, Stockholm Sweden
Christopher Raccioppi, New York, USA
Art Students League New York, USA

Selected Solo Exhibitions

2024 NYC Legend, N5th Pier and Park in Williamsburg, Brooklyn, USA
2023 NYC Legend, public bronze sculpture in Union Square, New York, USA
2021 Metropolis Noir, Pumphuset Museum och Konsthall, Landskrona, Sweden
Sleep Visions, Mollbrinks Gallery, Uppsala, Sweden
2018 Songs From The Ocean, Vida Museum, Sweden
Resenär/Traveler, Prins Eugens Waldemarsudde, Stockholm, Sweden
2017 Works on Paper, VIDA Museum, Öland, Sweden
2016 The Other Stense Gallery, Stockholm, Sweden
2013 The Art of Klingspor, Lord Willy's, New York, USA
Island Stories, A Gallery, Göteborg/Gothenburg, Sweden
2012 Transformation: Slices of the Mind, Albemarle Gallery, London, UK
2010 A tale of two Cities, Hotel Diplomat, Stockholm, Sweden
2009 Arcadia Gallery, New York, USA
2008 Samtida Renässans, A Gallery, Göteborg/Gothenburg, Sweden
2007 Between The Bars, Christie's, Stockholm, Sweden
2006 Arcadia Gallery, New York, USA
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2002 Cercle Suedois, Paris, France
2000 Galleri Stenlund, Stockholm, Sweden

Selected Group Exhibitions

2025 Distant Voices, Fiumano Clase & Cadogan Fine Arts, London, UK
2024 Fiumano Clase Mixed Winter Exhibition, London, UK
2019 EAT THE NIGHT, RJD Gallery, New York, USA
2017 BIG ART. small canvas, RJD Gallery, New York, USA
Suspension of Disbelief, RJD Gallery, New York, USA
The Girl Next Door, RJD Gallery, New York, USA
2016 The Princess and the Provocateur, RJD Gallery, New York
2011 Co-Te-Rie, Ghostprint Gallery, Richmond, Virginia, USA
Embrace, Utvandrarnas Hus, Växjö, Sweden
2006 Arcadia Gallery, New York, USA
2005 Galleri Agardh & Tornvall, Stockholm, Sweden
Chicago Art Fair, Chicago, USA
2003 Arcadia Gallery, New York, USA
Miami Art Fair, Miami, USA