

# GAGOSIAN

## Rick Lowe Biography

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

### **Academic Profession:**

2016-Present Professor of Art, University of Houston, Houston, TX.

### **Education:**

1979-1982 Columbus State University, Columbus, GA.  
1990-1992 Texas Southern University, Houston, TX.  
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, CA.  
2015 Honorary Doctorate Maryland Institute College of Art, Baltimore, MD.

### **Individual Exhibitions:**

2022 *Rick Lowe: Notes on the Great Migration*. Neubauer Collegium, University of Chicago, Chicago, IL.  
*Meditations on Social Sculpture*. Gagosian, 541 West 24th Street, New York, NY.  
2020 *New Paintings & Drawings*. Art League Houston, Houston, TX.  
2019 *Rick Lowe: The Humility Table*. Louise Alexander / AF Projects, Los Angeles, CA.  
2018 *Rick Lowe*. Hiram Butler Gallery, Houston, TX.  
2005 *Toward Social Sculpture*. Glassell School, Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, TX.

### **Selected Group Exhibitions:**

2022 *Tangible/Nothing*. Ruby City, San Antonio, TX.  
*Black Abstractionists: From then until Now*. Green Family Art Foundation, Dallas, TX.  
*Urban Impressions: Experiencing the Global Contemporary Metropolis*. Moody Center for the Arts, Rice University, Houston, TX.  
2021 *Social Works, curated by Antwaun Sargent*. Gagosian, 555 West 24<sup>th</sup> St., New York, NY.  
*Social Works II, curated by Antwaun Sargent*. Gagosian, Grosvenor Hill, London, England.  
*Texas Triennial*. Ruby City Museum, San Antonio, TX.  
*Toward Common Cause: Art, Social Change, and the MacArthur Fellows Program at 40*. Smart Museum, Chicago, IL.  
2020 *Storage\_*. Storage Projects, New York, NY.  
2019 *Place*. Hiram Butler Gallery, Houston, TX.

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- 2018 *Prizm Art Fair*. Miami, FL.  
2018 *Polis*. Museo de Antioquia, Medellin, Colombia.  
2017 *Documenta 14*. Victoria Square Project, Athens, Greece.  
*Budapest Windows*, in collaboration with Maria Papadimitriou. Budapest, Hungary.  
2014 *Work in Public*. Dacad, Berlin, Germany.  
2013 *ECONOMY*. Center for Contemporary Art, Glasgow, Scotland.  
*ExChange*. Nasher Sculpture Center, Dallas, TX.  
2012 *Memory Lab*. Center for Living Arts, Mobile, AL.  
*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, CA.  
*Into the Open: Positioning*. Parsons at the New School for Design, New York, NY.  
*No Zoning*. Contemporary Arts Museum, Houston, TX.  
2008 *Into the Open: Positioning Practice*. Venice Architecture Biennale, Venice, Italy.  
*In Katrina's Wake*. Blanton Museum of Art, Austin, TX.  
2005 *Toward Social Sculpture*. Glassell School, Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, TX.  
2001 *New Land Marks*. Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, Philadelphia, PA.  
2000 *OutBound*. Contemporary Arts Museum, Houston, TX.  
1997 *Gwangju Biennale*. Gwangju, South Korea.  
*Neuberger Biennial*. Neuberger Museum of Art, Purchase, NY.  
1995-1997 *Uncommon Sense*. Museum of Contemporary Art, Los Angeles, CA.  
1996 *Soft Urbanism*. Kumamoto Museum of Art Kumamoto, Japan.  
*Projected*. Project Row Houses, Space One Eleven, Birmingham, AL.

### **Alternative Community Art Projects:**

- 2018-ongoing *Black Wall Street Journey*, Chicago, IL.  
2018-ongoing *Greenwood Art Project*, Tulsa, OK.  
2016-ongoing *Victoria Square Project*, Athens, Greece.  
2013-2018 *Trans.lation: Vickery Meadow*, Dallas, TX.  
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, LA.  
*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, PA.  
1996-2012 *Watts House Project*, Los Angeles, CA.  
1993-2018 *Project Row Houses*, Houston, TX.

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### **Awards:**

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, NY.
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, CA.
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.

### **Public Collections:**

Brooklyn Museum, New York.  
High Museum of Art, Atlanta, GA.  
Fine Arts Museums of San Francisco.  
Institute of Contemporary Art, Miami.  
Menil Collection, Houston.  
Museum of Fine Arts, Houston.  
Nerman Museum of Contemporary Art, Overland Park, KS.  
UBS Art Collection.  
Whitney Museum of American Art, New York.