

# Jannis Kounellis

## Biography

Born in 1936 in Piraeus, Greece

Deceased in 2017 in Rome, Italy

### Education

1956

Academy of arts in Rome, Italy

### Selected solo exhibitions

2019

Fondazione Prada, Venice, Italy

Almine Rech Gallery, London, UK

2018

'Beating around the Bush #5', Bonnefantenmuseum, Maastricht, The Netherlands

'Beyond Borders', Villa Empain - Fondation Boghossian, Brussels, Belgium

2017

Museo delle Genti d'Abruzzo, Pescara, Italy

'(SIC), Works from the CAPC Collection', CAPC musée d'art contemporain de Bordeaux, France

'Stage of Being', Museum Voorlinden, Wassenaar, The Netherlands

2016

'Dodecafonia', Gavin Brown's Enterprise, Rome, Italy'Jannis Kounellis',

Monnaie de Paris, Paris, France

'Jannis Kounellis', Galerie Karsten Greve, Paris, France

2015

'Jannis Kounellis', Galleri Bo Bjerggaard, Copenhagen, Denmark

'Raussmüller Collection', Spazio Stein, Pero/Milano, Italy

2014

'Jannis Kounellis', Musée d'Art Moderne de Saint-Etienne Métropole, Saint Etienne, France

Almine Rech Gallery, Brussels, Belgium

Galerie Lelong, Paris

Salone degli Incanti | Ex Pescheria, Trieste, Italie

2013

Wooson gallery, Daegu, South Korea  
Fondazione Volume, Roma, Italy  
City Art Gallery, Ljubljana, Slovenia  
Giacomo Guidi Arte Contemporanea, Rome, Italy  
Cheim & Read, New York, USA  
Galería Kewenig, Palma de Mallorca, Spain  
Galleri Artist, Istanbul, Turkey

2012

Arsenal, National Centre for Contemporary Arts, Moscow, Russia  
Museum Kurhaus, Kleve, Germany  
Mima, Middlesbrough Institute of Modern art, UK  
Parasol Unit, Foundation for Contemporary Art, London, UK  
Blain Southern, Berlin, Germany  
Tramway, Glasgow, UK  
Museum of Cycladic Art, Athens, Greece  
Kunstmuseum Magdeburg, Magdeburg, Germany  
Giorgio Persano, Torino, Italy

2011

Kewenig Gallery, Cologne, Allemagne  
'Jannis Kounellis: Early paintings', Galerie Karsten Greve, Paris, France  
'Kounellis -feu / contre-feu- Klein', Galerie Lelong, Paris, France  
'Memoriale dal Convento: Kounellis', Convento dei Servi di Maria, Monteciccardo, Italie  
Cortonantiquaria, 49° Mostra Mercato Nazionale d'Antiquariato, Palazzo Vagnotti, Cortone, Italie  
'Kounellis: Danza della Morte', Schinkel Pavillon, Berlin, Allemagne  
Jannis Kounellis, Today Art Museum, Beijing, China  
Museum Kurhaus, Clèves, Allemagne  
Galeriartist, Istanbul, Turquie  
Cattedra episcopale per il Duomo di Reggio Emilia, Reggio Emilia, Italie

2010

Freedom or death – La libertà o morte, Heart, Museum of Contemporary Art, Herning,  
Denmark  
Botin Foudation Exhibition Room, Santander, Spain  
Bernier-Eliades Gallery, Athens, Greece  
Ambika P3 and Sprovieri, London, UK  
Domingo Ultimo Dia!, Matadero Madrid, Madrid, Spain

2009

Galleria Fumagalli, Bergamo, Italy  
Galleria Alfonso artiaco, Napoli, Italy  
Ex oratorio di San Lupo, Museo Adriano Bernareggi, Bergamo, Italie  
Galerie Elisabeth & Klaus Thoman, Innsbruck, Austria  
La Libertà o Morte - Freedom or Death, Heart Herning Museum of Contemporary Art, Herning, Danemark  
Nieves Fernandez Galería, Madrid, Espagne  
Matadero Madrid, Espagne  
Fundación Marcelino Botín, Santander, Espagne

2008

Fundación Caixa Galicia, Saint-Jacques-de-Compostelle, Espagne  
Galeria Carles Taché, Barcelone, Espagne  
The gospel according to thomas, Kewenig Galerie, Cologne, Germany  
Domaine Régional de Chaumont-sur-Loire, Centre d'Arts et de Nature, Chaumont-sur-Loire  
Galerie Christian Stein, Milan, Italy  
Galleria Progetti, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil  
Galerie Lelong, Zurich, Suisse

2007

Galeria de arte contemporaneo Gacma, Malaga, Espagne  
'Jannis Kounellis Mattia Preti, La rosa tatuata', Gallerja Roma, Rome, Italie  
'Jannis Kounellis', Catrame, Galerie Lelong, Paris  
Pescali & Sprovieri, Londres, Royaume-Uni  
'Carro realizzato in occasione del Festino in onore di S. Rosalia', Palerme, Italie  
Galleria di Franca Mancini, Pesaro, Italie  
'Kounellis,' Jaffa Port, Main Gate Hangar, Jaffa, Israël  
Akira ikeda gallery, New York, NY, USA  
Cheim & Read gallery, New York, NY, USA  
'Correspondances: Jean-François Millet Jannis Kounellis', Musée d'Orsay, Paris  
'Jannis Kounellis in der Neuen Nationalgalerie', Neue Nationalgalerie, Staatliche Museen zu Berlin, Berlin, Allemagne  
Das thomas evangelium, Bank im Bistum Esseneg and Hypothekenbank Essen, Essen,  
Germany  
La storia e il presente, Galleria Nazionale di Palazzo Arnone, Cosenza, Italy  
Neue Nationalgalerie Berlin, Germany  
Sipario: La porta dell'orto monastico di Santa Croce in Gerusalemme, Orto monastico di Santa Croce in Gerusalemme,  
Rome, Italie  
'Viva Santa Rosalia', Auditorium Parco della Musica, Rome, Italie

2006

Nieves Fernandez Galería, Madrid, Espagne  
'Kounellis al Portico d'Ottavia', Valentina Bonomo artecontemporanea, Rome, Italie  
Halle Verrière, Meisentha  
Atto unico, Fondazione Arnaldo Pomodoro, Milan, Italy  
Kunstmuseum Liechtenstein, Vaduz, Liechtenstein  
'Hommage an Jannis Kounellis', Art Cologne, Koelmesse, Cologne, Allemagne  
'Jannis Kounellis', Cheim & Read, New York, USA  
'Kounellis: Edizioni 1972 – 2006', Galleria dell'Oca, Rome, Italie

2005

Edicola Notte, Rome Italie  
'Jannis Kounellis: Santa Fe', Isola Madre, Isole Borromeo, Lago Maggiore – Stresa, Italie  
Edinburgh College of Art and Scottish National Gallery of Modern Art, Edinburgh, UK  
Opus i, Musée d'art moderne de Saint-Etienne métropole, Saint-Etienne, France  
Hôtel des Arts, Centre méditerranéen d'art du Conseil général du Var, Toulon  
Galerie karsten greve, Paris, France  
Teatro Attis, Athènes, Grèce

2004

New works, Sprovieri, London, UK  
Terre di confine. Con-fine dell'Arte, Palazzo Lantieri, Gorizia, Italie  
Transart 04, Festival of art and music, Officina FS, Bolzano, Italie  
Kounellis in sarajevo, Ars Aevi Forum, Sarajevo, Bosniaherzegovina  
National Museum of Contemporary Art, Athens, Greece  
Galerie karsten greve, Cologne, Germany  
Modern Art Oxford, Oxford, Royaume-Uni

2003

St. John's church, Herning Kunstmuseum, Herning, Denmark  
Torrione passari, Molfetta, Italy  
Monastero Mechitarista, isola di san lazzaro degli armeni, Venice, Italy  
Palais de l'unesco, Paris, France  
Kunstraum innsbruck, Innsbruck, Austria

2002

Galleria nazionale d'arte moderna, Rome, Italy  
Senza titolo..., hallen für neue kunst, Schaffhausen, Switzerland  
Stedelijk Museum voor actuele kunst, Gent, Belgium

2001

Galerie karsten greve, Cologne, Germany  
Centro per l'arte contemporanea, Prato, Italy  
Museo nacional de artes visuales, Montevideo, Uruguay  
Bottini dell'olio, Livorno, Italy  
Kunststation st. peter, Cologne, Germany  
Galerie karsten greve, Paris, France  
Notturmo tenebroso, diözesanmuseum, Freising, Germany

### **Selected Group Exhibitions**

2024

'By Way Of: Material and Motion in the Guggenheim Collection', Guggenheim Museum, New York, NY, US  
'Arte Povera', Bourse de Commerce, Pinault Collection, Paris, France

2019

'Paper Media: Boetti, Calzolari, Kounellis', The Samuel Dorsky Museum of Art, New Paltz, USA  
'Entrare nell'Opera - Entering the work/actions and processes in Arte Povera', Musée d'art moderne et contemporain, Saint-Étienne, France  
'The Sonnabend Collection', Remai Modern, Saskatoon, Canada  
'Children of Saturn', Musée de Rochechouart, Rochechouart, France  
'Landlord Colors : On Art, Economy, and Materiality', Cranbrook Art Museum, Bloomfield Hills, USA  
'Step By Step - Visions of an Art Dealer's Collection', Nouveau Musée National de Monaco, Villa Sauber, Monaco  
'A Collection in Progress. Nature is what we see', Collezione Giancarlo e Danna Olgiati, Lugano, Switzerland  
'Now Is The Time : 25 Years Collection Kunstmuseum Wolfsburg', Kunstmuseum Wolfsburg, Wolfsburg, Germany  
'October 1968. "arte povera più azioni povere" at Arsenali in Amalfi', Castello di Rivoli, Rivoli, Italy

2018

'Le Paradoxe de l'iceberg', Château de Renteilly - FRAC Île-de-France, Bussy-Saint-Martin, France  
'Beating around the Bush @5', Bonnefantenmuseum, Maastricht, The Netherlands

2017

'Margherita Stein: Rebel With A Cause', Magazzino Italian Art, New York, USA  
'La Dolce Vita', Galeria Tornabuoni Art, Paris, France  
'è solo un inizio. 1968', Galleria Nazionale d'Arte Moderna e Contemporanea, Rome, Italy  
'The Artist's Voice', The Parkview Museum, Singapore

2016

'SIC - works from the CAPC Collection', CAPC, Bordeaux, France  
'Daniel Buren: A Fresco', BOZAR, Brussels  
'The Sonnabend Collection: Half a century of European and American Art. Part1', Serralves Foundation, Porto, Portugal  
'Imagine: New Imagery in Italian Art, 1960-1969', Peggy Guggenheim Collection, Venice, Italy  
'Un art pauvre', Centre Pompidou, Paris

2015

'Maurizio Nannucci - Top Hundred', Museion Bolzano, Bolzano, Italy  
'Construction / Destruction', organized with Olivier Renaud-Clément, Almine Rech Gallery, Paris, France

2014

'Art or Sound', Fondazione Prada, Venice, Italie  
'Stanze#1', Riso Museo d'Arte Contemporanea, Palermo  
Collection - Kunst in Europa na '68, SMAK, Gent, Belgium  
Résonance(s), Maison particulière, Brussels  
'Arena', Centre of Contemporary Art Znaki Czasu, Toruń, Pologne  
'Procession', Musée d'Art Contemporain, Bordeaux  
'Holger's Choice – Acquisitions 2000–2014', Herning Museum of Contemporary Art, Herning, Danemark  
'A Thousand Doors', Gennadius Library, Athènes, Grèce (en collaboration avec la Galerie Whitechapel, Londres, Royaume-Uni)  
'Mafai-Kounellis - The Freedom of The Artist', Museo Carlo Bilotti, Rome, Italie  
'Nichts ist Kunst', Galerie Eugen Lendl, Graz, Autriche

2013

Théâtre du Monde, Maison Rouge - Fondation Antoine de Galbert, Paris  
When Attitudes Become Form Bern 1969/Venice 2013, Prada Foundation, Ca' Corner della Regina, Venice (curated by Germano Celant)  
Fragile?, Le Stanze del Vetro, Fondazione Cini, Venice (curated by Mario Codognato)

2012

Schönheit und vergänglichkeit, sammlung essl, Klosterneuburg, Austria  
'Asche und Gold: Eine Weltenreise', MARTa Herford, Herford, Allemagne  
'Art and Press: Kunst'. Wahrheit. Wirklichkeit, Martin-Gropius-Bau, Berlin, Allemagne  
'Lux Perpetua', Galerie Kamel Mennour, Paris  
'Beaufort04', Triennale d'Art Contemporain sur mer, De Panne, Koksijde-Oostduinkerke, Nieuwpoort, Middelkerke-Westende, Ostenda, Bredene, De Haan-Wenduine, Blankenberge, Zeebrugge, Belgique  
'Arte Povera in città', GAMeC Galleria d'Arte Moderna e Contemporanea, Bergamo, Italie  
'Arte torna Arte', Galleria dell'Accademia, Florence, Italie

2011

3rd thessaloniki biennale of contemporary art, State Museum of Contemporary art, Thessaloniki, Greece

The last grand tour, Museum of Cycladic Art, Athens, Greece

Zettels traum, von der heydt museum, Wuppertal, Germany

Che fare? arte povera. die historischen jahre, Lentos Kunstmuseum, Linz, Austria

Islands never found, Musée d'art moderne, Saint-Etienne, France

2010

St. Moritz art masters 2010, kult oder kunst, St. Moritz art masters, Switzerland

Islands never found, state museum of contemporary art - Thessaloniki, Greece

Che fare? arte povera - the historic years, kunstmuseum Liechtenstein, Vaduz, Liechtenstein

Forms of contingency: New York and Turin, 1960s-1970s, Philadelphia museum of art, Philadelphia, USA

All art has been contemporary, Kunsthalle Hamburg, ,Hamburg, Germany

Gipfeltreffen der moderne - das kunstmuseum winterthur, museum der moderne

Salzburg, Austria

Pressart. die sammlung annette und peter nobel, kunstmuseum St. gallen, Switzerland

2009

1968. die große unschuld, kunsthalle Bielefeld, Germany

Gegen den strich. 15 jahre sammlung des kunstmuseums wolfsburg, kunstmuseum wolfsburg, Germany

installation in the church ss.apostoli, Roma, Italy

2006

Where are we going? opere scelte dalla collezione Francois Pinault, Palazzo Grassi, Venice, Italy

Corrispondenze. dal presente al pasato, centro per l'arte contemporanea luigi pecci, Prato, Italy

2005

Intuitive reflection, art forum ute barth, Zurich, Switzerland

Austrian contemporary art and postwar painting, Museo de art contemporaneo de Monterrey marco, Monterrey, Mexico

2004

Samuelis baumgarte galerie, Bielefeld, Germany

Galerie delaive, amsterdam, Netherlands

Baukunst galerie, Cologne, Germany

2003

Special proofs: 1963-1989, timothy yarger fine art, Beverly Hills, CA

Museum of modern art, Tokyo, Japan

Iwaki city art, Fukushima, Japan

Oita art museum, Oita, Japan

Galerie iris wazzau, Davos, Switzerland

2002

Galerie Andreas Baumgarti, Munich, Germany  
Lovers fine arts, Gstaad, Switzerland  
Museum of modern art, Toyama, Japan  
Kawamura memorial museum, Chiba, Japan Museum of art, Eime, Japan  
University of Michigan museum of art, Ann Arbor, MI, USA

2000

Lawrence Rubin, greenberg, van doren fine art, New York, NY, USA  
Galerie Delaive, Amsterdam, The Netherlands  
Richard Gray gallery, New York, NY and Chicago, IL  
Idemitsu museum of arts, Tokyo and Osaka, Japan

1999

Leslie Sacks fine art, Los Angeles, CA ; Robert Green fine arts, Mill Valley, CA  
Gallery Faurschou, Copenhagen, Denmark; ikon ltd., Los angeles, CA  
Manny silverman gallery, Los Angeles, CA  
Galerie Pascal Retelet, Saint-Paul-de-Vence, France  
Galerie jean Fournier, Paris, France  
Baukunst galerie, Cologne, Germany  
Pace editions, New York, NY  
Galerie loeper, Hamburg, Germany

1998

Dorothy Blau Gallery, Bal Harbour, FL  
Thomas segal gallery, baltimore, MD  
Aca galerie, Munich, Germany  
Gallery Guy Pieters, Knokke, Belgium  
Bobbie Greenfield gallery, Los Angeles, CA  
Gallery Delaive, Amsterdam, the netherlands  
Galleria d'arte il gabbiano, Rome, Italy

1997

André Emmerich gallery, New York, NY  
Manny Silverman gallery, Los Angeles, CA  
Museo d'arte, Mendrisio, Switzerland  
Richard Gray gallery, Chicago, IL  
Gallery delaive, Amsterdam, the netherlands  
Galerie Pascal Retelet, Saint-Paul-de-Vence, France

1996

Smith-Andersen gallery, Palo Alto, CA  
Sogetsu art museum, Tokyo, Japan  
Galerie Delaive, Amsterdam, the netherlands;  
Gagosian Gallery, Los Angeles, CA  
Gallery guy pieters, Knokke, Belgique  
Galerie michael haas, berlin, germany; galerie proarta, Zurich, Switzerland

1995

André Emmerich Gallery, New York, NY  
Manny Silverman gallery, Los Angeles, CA  
Grunwald/ucla/armand hammer museum, Los Angeles, CA  
Kunstverein Ludwigsburg, Ludwigsburg, Germany  
Les années parisiennes 1950-1961 at the galerie national du jeu de paume, Paris, France

1994

Long fine arts, New York, NY  
Galerie Delaive, Amsterdam, the netherlands  
Bobbie Greenfield gallery, Los Angeles, CA  
Galerie Jean Fournier, Paris, France  
Galerie proarta, Zurich, Switzerland  
Andre Emmerich Gallery, New York, NY  
Nantenshi gallery, Tokyo, Japan  
Richard Gray Gallery, Chicago, IL

1993

Galerie Pudelko, Bonn, Switzerland  
Bobbie Greenfield fine art, Los Angeles, CA  
Michele Cohen gallery, New York, NY  
Ochi gallery, Ketchum, Idaho  
Manny silverman gallery, Los Angeles, CA  
Galerie iris wazzau, Davos, Switzerland

1992

Galerie Daniel Papierski, Paris, France  
Museum Van der Togt, Amsterdam, the Netherlands  
Kukje Gallery, Seoul, South Korea

1991

Galerie Jean Fournier, Paris, France  
James Corcoran Gallery, Los Angeles, CA  
Angles gallery, Los Angeles, CA  
Associated american artists, New York, NY  
Gagosian Gallery, New York, NY  
Centre régional d'art contemporain Midi-Pyrenées, France

1990

Associated american artists, New York, NY  
Galerie Delaive, Amsterdam, the Netherlands  
Heland Wetterling gallery, Stockholm, Sweden  
Ogawa art foundation, Tokyo, Japan; Ochi  
Gallery, Ketchum  
Talbot Rice gallery, Edinburgh, UK  
Andre Emmerich gallery, New York, NY  
Smith-Andersen gallery, Palo Alto, CA



1989

André Emmerich gallery, New York, NY  
Galerie Jean Fournier, Paris, France  
Bernard Jacobson gallery, London, UK  
Sun Valley center gallery, ID  
Linda Farris gallery, Seattle, WA  
Cantor/Lemberg gallery, Birmingham, MI  
Knoedler gallery, London, UK

1988

Andre Emmerich gallery, New York, NY  
Galerie Jean Fournier, Paris, France  
Nantenshi Gallery, Tokyo, Japan  
Smith-andersen Gallery, Palo Alto, CA  
Greenberg Gallery, St. Louis, MO

1987

Knoedler Gallery, London, UK  
Andre Emmerich Gallery, New York, NY  
Pamela Auchincloss Gallery, Santa Barbara, CA  
Heland Thorden wetterling galleries, Stockholm, Sweden  
G. Dalsheimer Gallery, Baltimore, MD  
Galeria Eude, Barcelona, Spain  
Manny Silverman Gallery, Los Angeles, CA  
Galerie Pudelko, Bonn, Germany  
Lever/Meyerson galleries, New York, NY

1986

Andre Emmerich Gallery, New York, NY  
Galerie Jean Fournier, Paris, France  
Nantenshi Gallery, Tokyo, Japan  
Angles Gallery, Santa Monica, CA  
La mairie de Paris, Paris, France

1985

National Gallery of art, Washington, DC  
Galerie Kornfeld, Bern, Switzerland  
Galerie Jean Fournier, Paris, France  
Nantenshi Gallery, Tokyo, Japan  
Richard Gray Gallery, Chicago, IL  
Smith-Andersen Gallery, Palo Alto, CA  
Hokin Gallery, West Palm Beach, FL

1984

André Emmerich Gallery, New York, NY  
Pamela Auchincloss Gallery, Santa Barbara, CA  
Brooke Alexander, inc., New York, NY  
Cantor/Lemberg Gallery, Birmingham, MI  
Robert Elkon Gallery, New York, NY  
Thomas Babeor Gallery, la jolla, CA  
Knoedler Gallery, London, UK  
Gemini g.e.l., Los Angeles, CA  
Steven Wirtz Gallery, San Francisco, CA

1983

Andre Emmerich Gallery, New York, NY  
Galerie Kornfeld, Bern, Switzerland  
Smith-Andersen Gallery, Palo Alto, CA  
Foundation Maeght, Saint Paul de Vence, France  
Studio marconi, Milan, Italy  
Colorado State University, Fort Collins, CO  
Galerie Jean Fournier, Paris, France  
Art Attack Gallery, Boise, ID  
John Berggruen Gallery, San Francisco, CA  
Nantenshi Gallery, Tokyo, Japan

1982

Andre Emmerich Gallery, New York, NY  
Nantenshi Gallery, Tokyo, Japan  
Richard Gray Gallery, Chicago, IL

1981

Andre Emmerich Gallery, New York, NY  
Ace Gallery, Los Angeles, CA  
Ruth Schaffner Gallery, Santa Barbara, CA  
Faith and Charity in hope Gallery, Hope, ID

1980

Riko Mizuno Gallery, Los Angeles, CA  
James Corcoran Gallery, Los Angeles, CA  
Smith-Andersen Gallery, Palo Alto, CA  
Abbaye de Senanque, Gordes, France; Los Angeles county museum of art, Los Angeles, CA

1979

Retrospective of works on paper at the institute of contemporary art, Boston, –  
traveled to taiwan, hong-kong, manila, korea and japan under the us international communications agency  
Galerie Jean Fournier, Paris, France  
Andre Emmerich Gallery, New York, NY  
Brooke Alexander, inc., New York, NY  
Art in progress at israel museum, Jerusalem  
Gallery of the cultural center of the Phillippines, Taipei, Taiwan