

# ALEXANDER PAULUS

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**BIOGRAPHY** | Alex Paulus is originally from southeast Missouri, but has been a resident of Memphis, TN since 2007. He received his MFA in 2009 from the Memphis College of Art and is now an Assistant Professor at Southwest Tennessee Community College.

Paulus's work focuses on figures in depressing situations. Sometimes they are celebrities, sometimes him, sometimes imaginary people. Paulus places these figures in odd situations or surroundings, to investigate how they react to the space. 'I often think about how humans fit into this world and how small we actually are compared to the rest of the universe/multiverse. I am very interested in the purpose of human existence. It seems like we do a lot of weird shit for no reason.'

Paulus's work has been shown in numerous galleries in Memphis, Nashville, Dallas, Houston, Aspen, St. Louis, Los Angeles, London and many others. His work has also been published in *New American Paintings*, *Studio Visit* magazine, *Beautiful/Decay*, *It's Nice That*, *Ossos Magazine*, *Neon Magazine*, and *Glasstire*.

**EDUCATION** | **2009**  
Memphis College of Art, *Master of Fine Arts*

**2003**  
Southeast Missouri State University, *Bachelor of Fine Arts with emphasis in painting*

**EXPERIENCE** | **2012-Present**  
*Assistant Professor, Southwest Tennessee Community College*  
Designed and taught curriculum for Painting 1, Painting 2, Drawing 1, Drawing 2, 2D Design, 3D Design, and Art Appreciation courses.

**2016**  
TnCIS Instructor, France Trip  
Designed and taught curriculum for Art Appreciation for a three-week class conducted in Nice and Paris, France

**2010-2012**  
*Adjunct Instructor, Memphis College of Art*  
Designed and taught curriculum for Drawing 1, Drawing 2, and 2D Design

**2009-2012**  
*Adjunct Instructor, Southwest Tennessee Community College*  
Designed and taught curriculum for Painting 1, Painting 2, Drawing 1, Drawing 2, 2D Design, 3D Design, and Art Appreciation courses.

**2009**  
*Teaching Assistant, Memphis College of Art*  
Created and assisted with projects for the Painting 1 and Painting 5 courses and the 2D design course.

**EXHIBITIONS | 2020**

*Alexander Paulus Savior Energy*, (solo show), Ro2 Art, Dallas, TX  
*COHLECTIVE SHOW*, Cohle Gallery, Paris  
2020, Ro2 Art, Dallas, TX  
*From a Distance*, Ro2 Art, Dallas, TX  
*Back to the Future*, Ro2 Art, Dallas, TX

**2019**

*Marks and Objects: Alex Paulus*, (solo show), Blinder projects, Memphis, TN  
*CHAOS 7*, Ro2, Art, Dallas, TX

**2018**

*L.A. Summer*, Arusha Gallery, Edinburgh  
*Ro2 Presents*, Ro2 Art, Dallas, TX  
*CHAOS!!!!!! 2018*, Ro2 Art, Dallas, TX  
*Alex Paulus: Trophy Life*, (solo show), Ro2 Art, Dallas, TX  
*MCA Alumni exhibit*, Memphis College of Art Gallery, Memphis, TN  
*Garfield Collection Show*, Elephant Gallery, Nashville, TN  
*Studio Exchange: Memphis*, Zeitgeist Gallery, Nashville, TN

**2017**

*Ro2 Art Gift Grab*, Ro2 Art, Dallas, TX  
*The wool over our eyes*, Washington Reid Gallery, Los Angeles, CA  
*Better Homes and Gardens*, Crosstown Arts Gallery, Memphis, TN  
*Stopping in Memphis*, Art Museum at University of Memphis, Memphis, TN  
*Everything is terrible* (solo show), Crosstown Arts Gallery, Memphis, TN  
*CHAOS !!!!! 2017*, Ro2 Art, Dallas, TX

**2016**

*The Price is Right*, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis/Nashville, TN  
*The Morning After* (solo show), Ro2 Gallery, Dallas, TX  
*Blind Navigator*, Crosstown Arts Gallery, Memphis, TN  
*CHAOS !!!! 2016 small works show*, Ro2 Art, Dallas, TX

**2015**

*The Price is Right*, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis/Nashville, TN  
*Art of the South*, Hyde Gallery, Memphis, TN  
*CHAOS !!! 2015 - Ro2 Art 3rd Annual Small Works Show*, Ro2 Art, Dallas, TX

**2014**

*Draughtsmen of the Apocolypse*, Centraltrak, Dallas, TX  
*Perspicacious Ninnyhammers*, SOD LA Tech University, Ruston, LA  
*Texture & Collage*, Tate Britain, London, UK  
*Inspired Resistance*, Crosstown Arts Gallery, Memphis, TN

**2013**

*The Price is Right*, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis, TN  
Solo Exhibition, Vol State Community College, Nashville, TN

**2012**

*The Price is Right*, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis, TN

**2011**

*The Price is Right*, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis, TN

**2010**

*The Price is Right*, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis, TN

**2009**

*New Direction: Video Artists Explore Southern Identity*, Cheekwood Museum, Nashville, TN  
*The Price is Right*, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis, TN

**PUBLICATIONS** | It's Nice That: Printed Pages, Spring/Summer 2018  
New American Paintings, South edition, issue #130  
Studio Visit Magazine, Vol. 26, pg. 142  
Neon Magazine, March 2018  
Studio Visit Magazine, Vol. 17, pg. 171