

Matthew Wong

Canadian. Born 1984, Toronto, died 2019, Edmonton, Alberta.

Education

2013

Master of Fine Arts in Photography, City University of Hong Kong,
School of Creative Media, Hong Kong

2007

Bachelor of Arts in Cultural Anthropology, University of Michigan,
Ann Arbor, Michigan

Selected Solo Exhibitions

2025

The Milton Resnick and Pat Passlof Foundation, New York, *six feet short of the moon: poems by Matthew Wong*, (May 6, 2025).

Kunsthaus Zürich, Zurich, *Matthew Wong | Vincent van Gogh:*

Painting as a Last Resort, (September 20, 2024–January 26, 2025).

The Albertina, Vienna, *Matthew Wong | Vincent van Gogh: Painting as a Last Resort*, (February 14, 2025–June 22, 2025).

2024

Van Gogh Museum, Amsterdam, *Matthew Wong | Vincent Van Gogh:*

Painting as a Last Resort, (March 1, 2024–September 1, 2024).

2023

Massimo de Carlo, London, *A Brief Window*, (May 25, 2023–July 1, 2023).

Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, *Matthew Wong: The Realm of Appearances*,
(July 1, 2023–February 18, 2024).

2022

Dallas Museum of Art, Dallas, *Matthew Wong: The Realm of Appearances*,
(October 16, 2022–February 5, 2023).

Cheim & Read, New York, *Matthew Wong: The New World, Los Angeles 2016*,
(May 4, 2022–September 10, 2022).

2021

Art Gallery of Ontario, Toronto, *Matthew Wong: Blue View*,
(August 14, 2021–April 18, 2022).

Cheim & Read, New York, *Matthew Wong: Footprints in the Wind, Ink Drawings 2013–2017*, (March 5, 2021–September 3, 2021).

2020

ARCH, Athens, Greece, *Postcards*, (September 10, 2020–January 9, 2021).

2019

Karma, New York, *Blue*, (November 8, 2019–January 5, 2020).

Massimo De Carlo, Hong Kong, *Day by Night*, (January 1, 2019–March 16, 2019).

2018

Karma, New York, *Matthew Wong*, (March 22, 2018–April 29, 2018).

2015

Hong Kong Visual Arts Centre, Hong Kong, *Pulse of the Land*, (October 2015).

2014

Cuiheng Art Museum, Zhongshan, China, *Chapter One*, (August–September 2014).

Selected Group Exhibitions

2026

The Morgan Library & Museum, New York, *Come Together: 3,000 Years of Stories and Storytelling*, (January 30–May 3, 2026).

2025

Amanita, New York, *Sonder*, (January 16, 2025–February 23, 2025).

2024

Greene Naftali, New York, *On Landscape*, (June 27, 2024–August 1, 2024).

The Museum of Contemporary Art Toronto, Toronto, *Greater Toronto Art Triennial*, (March 22, 2024–July 28, 2024).

Orange County Museum of Art, Costa Mesa, California, *Color Is the First Revelation of the World*, (March 15, 2024–August 18, 2024).

2023

Milton Resnick and Pat Passlof Foundation, New York, *U + ME: Paintings and Poetry by Milton Resnick and Matthew Wong*, (September 8, 2023–February 10, 2024). Curated by Alex Paul Chapin.

2022

Acquavella, New York, *Unnatural Nature: Post-Pop Landscapes*,

(April 21, 2022–June 10, 2022). Curated by Todd Bradway.
Kunsthal KAdE, Amersfoort, Netherlands, *Abrasive Paradise*,
(May 2, 2022–August 14, 2022).
Massimo de Carlo, Pièce Unique, Paris, *In Bloom*,
(April 23, 2022–May 4, 2022).
The Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, *Companions in Solitude:
Reclusion and Communion in Chinese Art*, (July 31, 2021–August 14, 2022).
Cheim & Read, New York, *Some People*, (February 24, 2022–June 4, 2022).

2021

Kasmin Gallery, New York, *North by Northeast: Contemporary Canadian
Painting*, (June 30, 2021–August 13, 2021). Curated by Danny Moynihan.
Modern Art, London, *On Leaving*, (September 2, 2021–September 29, 2021).

2020

Dallas Museum of Art, Dallas, *To Be Determined*,
(September 27, 2020–December 27, 2020).
Andrew Edlin, New York, *An Alternative Canon: Art Dealers Collecting Outsider
Art*, (July 22, 2020–September 19, 2020). Curated by Paul Laster.
Karma, New York, (*Nothing but*) *Flowers*, (July 30, 2020–September 13, 2020).

2019

Château Shatto, Los Angeles, *A Cloth Over a Birdcage*,
(July 27, 2019–September 7, 2019).
GRIMM Gallery, New York, *Away in the Hill*, (June 27, 2019–August 2, 2019).
Treasure Town, New York, *Reading Painting*, (January 19, 2019–
January 26, 2019). Curated by Maya Strauss and Seth Becker.

2018

Performance Ski, Aspen, Colorado, *Sky Above Clouds*,
(July 14, 2018–August 5, 2018).
Aïshti Foundation, Beirut, *Trance*, Curated by Albert Oehlen.
(October 21, 2018–September 30, 2019).
George Gallery, New York, *Monomania*, (September 28, 2018–
October 28, 2018). Curated by Shaun Ellison and Paul Whiting.

2017

Cheim & Read, New York, *The Horizontal*, (July 6, 2017–August 31, 2017).
Galerie Frank Elbaz, Dallas, *Plastic Surgery to Look Like You*,
(November 2, 2017–January 13, 2018).
Office Baroque, Brussels, *Flemming Faloon*, (June 1, 2017–July 15, 2017).

2016

1969 Gallery, New York, *Tom Friedman (+The Birthday Show)*,
(November 18, 2016–January 8, 2017).

Karma, Amagansett, New York, *Outside*, Curated by Matthew Higgs,
(September 3, 2016–September 25, 2016).

The Occasional Gallery, Burlington, Washington, *Good Bad Brush:
Peter Shear and Matthew Wong*, (2016).

The Provincial, Kaleva, Michigan, *Cold Summer*, Curated by Peter Shear,
(June 8, 2016–August 27, 2016).

Public Collections

Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York

Morgan Library, New York

Museum of Modern Art, New York

Guggenheim Museum, New York

Dallas Museum of Art, Dallas

Aïshti Foundation, Beirut

Estée Lauder Collection, New York

Art Gallery of Ontario, Toronto

Publications

2025

Wong, Matthew; Barger, John Wall; Yau, John. *six feet short of the moon*,
Matthew Wong Foundation, Edmonton.

2024

Matthew Wong | Vincent Van Gogh: Letzte Zuflucht Malerei,
Kunsthaus Zürich, Zürich.

Van der Hoeven, Joost; Schachter, Kenny; Shiff, Richard; Silva, Sofia;
Yau, John. *Matthew Wong | Vincent Van Gogh: Painting As a Last Resort*,
Van Gogh Museum, Amsterdam.

2023

Paul Chapin, Alex. *U + Me: Paintings and Poetry By Milton Resnick and
Matthew Wong*, The Milton Resnick and Pat Passlof Foundation, New York.

2022

Li, Vivian. *Matthew Wong: The Realm Of Appearances*,

Dallas Museum of Art, Dallas.

Matthew Wong: The New World, Paintings From Los Angeles 2016,
Cheim & Read, New York.

2021

Cox, Julian; Spector, Nancy; Wong, Winnie. *Matthew Wong: Blue View*,
Art Gallery of Ontario, Toronto.

Matthew Wong: Footprints in the Wind, Ink Drawings 2013–2017,
Cheim & Read, New York.

2020

Cole, Henri and Wong, Winnie. *Matthew Wong: Postcards, Karma*, New York.

2019

Matthew Wong: Blue, Karma, New York.

Stein, Jordan. Gertrude Abercrombie, Ann Craven, Nicolas Party,
Matthew Wong, Karma, New York.

Schwabsky, Barry and Sørensen, Louise. *Landscape Painting Now: From Pop
Abstraction To New Romanticism*, Distributed Art Publishers, New York.

2018

Matthew Wong, Karma, New York.

2015

Pulse of the Land, Visual Arts Centre, Hong Kong.

2014

Matthew Wong: Drawings and Paintings, Cuiheng Art Museum,
Zhongshan, China.

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Parker, Dian. "The Parallel Life and Art of Matthew Wong and
Vincent Van Gogh." *Art & Object*, May 28, 2024.

Herbert, Martin. "Matthew Wong, Vincent Van Gogh, Pas de Deux."
ArtReview, April 29, 2024.

Allen, Brian T. "Savant of the Beautiful, Matthew Wong, in Amsterdam."
National Review, March 28, 2024.

Schwabsky, Barry. "Painting, Poetry, Impasse." *Border Crossings*, April 1, 2024.
"Melancholic Artist Matthew Wong Featured At Van Gogh Museum."

Daily Sabah, March 1, 2024.

Nayeri, Farah. "Examining the Connection Between Vincent Van Gogh and Artists." *The New York Times*, February 29, 2024.

Taylor, Christopher. "Vincent Van Gogh May Have Met His Match With Matthew Wong." *Ocula*, February 28, 2024.

Artnet. "An Illuminating Exhibition Pairs Matthew Wong With Vincent Van Gogh." *Artnet News*, February 27, 2024.

Morrison, Alexander. "Kindred Spirits: Van Gogh and Matthew Wong Come Together In Amsterdam Show." *The Art Newspaper*, February 21, 2024.

Schreiber, Martha. "Is Matthew Wong the 21st Century's Van Gogh?" *The Observer*, February 2, 2024.

2023

Mobilio, Albert. Arn, Jackson. "Matthew Wong." *Four Columns*, October 6, 2023. "The Great Indoors." *The New Yorker*, September 4, 2023.

Greenberger, Alex. "A Must-See Matthew Wong Retrospective Reveals New Sides of an Artist Whose Story Is Still Emerging."

ARTnews, July 28, 2023.

Whyte, Murray. "In His Scant Six Years Of Painting, Matthew Wong Built a Vision All His Own." *The Boston Globe*, July 6, 2023.

Apollo. "Matthew Wong: The Realm Of Appearances." *Apollo*, June 22, 2023.

Lombardi, D. Dominick. "More Than a Feeling." *Art & Antiques*, February 1, 2023.

Ford, Lauren Moya. "Matthew Wong's Tenacious Vision."

Hyperallergic, January 10, 2023.

2022

Bourbon, Matthew. "Promise Cut Short: Dallas Show Examines the Late Artist Matthew Wong's Growing Prowess." *The Dallas Morning News*, November 3, 2022.

Schwabsky, Barry. "Matthew Wong's First Museum Retrospective Cements the Tragic Artist's Reputation As a Master Of Melancholy Style."

Artnet News, November 1, 2022.

Wong, Harley. "Matthew Wong's First Museum Retrospective Rejects the Myth of the Tortured Artist." *Artsy*, October 17, 2022.

Small, Zachary. "13 US Museum Shows to See This Fall, From Tragic Genius Matthew Wong's First Retrospective to a Landmark Joan Didion Exhibition." *Artnet News*, October 5, 2022.

Schwendener, Martha. "What To See In NYC Galleries Right Now: Matthew Wong." *The New York Times*, August 12, 2022.

Holmes, Jessica. "Matthew Wong: The New World, Paintings From Los Angeles 2016." *The Brooklyn Rail*, July 1, 2022.

Chui, Vivian. "Matthew Wong's Solitude and Longing In New York." *Ocula Magazine*, June 22, 2022.

Khatchadourian, Raffi. "Matthew Wong's Life In Light and Shadow." *The New Yorker*, May 9, 2022.

Das, Siba Kumar. "Matthew Wong: Blue View at Art Gallery of Ontario." *Whitehot Magazine of Contemporary Art*, April 2022.

Solomon, Tessa. "Matthew Wong's Luminous Landscapes Will Have First Museum Retrospective In Dallas." *ARTnews*, February 24, 2022.

Goldstein, Caroline. "In Pictures: See Work From the Late Art Star Matthew Wong's First Museum Show, Dedicated to His Mesmerizing Blue Paintings." *Artnet News*, January 28, 2022.

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Yau, John. "Matthew Wong's Indelible Impressions." *Hyperallergic*, June 19, 2021.

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Barron, Laurie. "Matthew Wong's Unseen Ink Drawings Debut at Cheim & Read." *Ocula*, April 29, 2021.

Dafoe, Taylor. "The Late Artist Matthew Wong Made a Drawing Every Morning." *Artnet News*, April 14, 2021.

Russeth, Andrew. "Matthew Wong Ink Works, Never Before Exhibited, Will Alight In New York." *ARTnews*, April 13, 2021.

Digiulio, Lauren. "See You On the Other Side: Matthew Wong's Vistas Of the Mind." *Momus*, April 1, 2021.

2020

Selvin, Claire. "The Best Art Books of 2020." *ARTnews*, December 16, 2020.

Sutton, Benjamin. "The Most Influential Artists of 2020." *Artsy*, December 7, 2020.

Drake, Cathryn. "Matthew Wong." *ARTFORUM*, December 2020.

Eastham, Ben. "A Fleeting Moment of Perfect Stillness: The Paintings of Matthew Wong." *ArtReview*, November 25, 2020.

Loos, Ted. "Auction Prices That Take Your Breath Away." *The New York Times*, September 15, 2020.

Goodman, Jonathan. "An Alternative Canon: Art Dealers Collecting Outsider Art." *The Brooklyn Rail*, September 2020.

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2019

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2018

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2017

Piseno, Tabitha. "The Horizontal." *ARTFORUM*, August 18, 2017.

Heinrich, Will. "The Horizontal." *The New York Times*, July 20, 2017.

2014

Seed, John. "Painting With 5,000 Facebook Friends In Your Studio." *Hyperallergic*, July 18, 2014.