



DANNY HELLER
PALM SPRINGS WEEKEND

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Palm Springs Weekend

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GEORGE BILLIS GALLERY 

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After a difficult year of quarantines and 'safer at home' orders, we're slowly beginning to leave our homes to once again venture into the outside and the unknown. At no other time has the idea of 'home' been under such examination: your geographical home, your mental home, and the home you share with others.

Heller's work has always focused on ideas of home, community, neighborhood, and urban design. Through his paintings, he observes and documents primarily residential design and architecture and its historical impact, focusing on the post WWII midcentury housing boom. It was a time of great growth, both in population and in ideals to improve quality of life. Heller thought about those ideals often during this past year of lockdowns and how those living in midcentury Modern homes had the benefit of their unique designs: open, airy floor plans; an attention to nature due to atriums and interior gardens; and an emphasis on leisure and comfort with swimming pools and outdoor patios. He has always felt that the city of Palm Springs embodies these principles above and beyond any others, and so he chose to focus on this location of optimistic architecture for the latest body of work.

These paintings transport the viewer to the sun-drenched landscape of swimming pools, swaying palm trees, manicured lawns, and colorful cars, not only as an escape during hard times, but also as a reminder that well-conceived architecture is timeless and has an enormous impact on our lives.

Danny Heller received his BA in paintings from UC Santa Barbara in 2004 and has exhibited extensively throughout Southern California as well as in New York City, Denver, Chicago, Washington DC, and Boulange-Billancourt, France. His work has been published in CA Home + Design, American Art Collector, Southwest Art, CA Modern Magazine, Atomic Ranch Magazine, and was profiled on KCET. He currently lives and works in Desert Hot Springs, CA..





Architectural Afternoon, 2021

oil on canvas

30x48 inches

Private Collection





Morning Light, 2021

oil on canvas

30x48 inches



Palm Springs Entry, 2021

oil on canvas

32x22 inches



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Canyon View Chevy, 2021

oil on canvas

24x34 inches



Canyon View Galaxie, 2021

oil on canvas

24x34 inches



Canyon View Yellow Bel Air, 2021

oil on canvas

24x34 inches

Private Collection



Vista Las Palmas Afternoon, 2021

oil on canvas

30x40 inches





Inner Tube and Planter, 2021

oil on panel

12x24 inches



Cactus and Lounge Chair, 2021

oil on panel

12x24 inches

Private Collection



Pink and Teal Inner Tubes, 2021

oil on panel

12x24 inches

Private Collection





Afternoon Dip, 2021
gouache on paper
9x12 inches
Private Collection



Afternoon Gossip, 2021
gouache on paper
9x12 inches
Private Collection



Tiki Torches and Chair, 2021
gouache on paper
9x12 inches
Private Collection



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EDUCATION

2004 University of California, Santa Barbara; B.A. College of Creative Studies Painting

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2021 Palm Springs Weekend, George Billis Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
2019 Tiki Modern, George Billis Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
2019 Birth of the Cool, George Billis Gallery, New York, NY
2018 California Cool, La Fiambrera Gallery, Madrid, Spain
2017 Modern Society, George Billis Gallery, New York, NY
2017 Modern Leisure, George Billis Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
2016 Midcentury Manhattan, George Billis Gallery, New York, NY
2015 City Modernism II, George Billis Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
2014 Vintage New York City, George Billis Gallery, New York, NY
2013 City Modernism, George Billis Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
2012 Future Perfect, George Billis Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
2011 The LAX Series, George Billis Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
2011 Modernism Revisited, Fullerton Museum, Fullerton, CA
2010 Palm Springs Exhibition, Terrence Rogers Fine Art, Palm Springs, CA
2008 Eichlers: A Modern Vision, Terrence Rogers Fine Art, Santa Monica, CA
2007 Suburbia, Terrance Rogers Fine Art, Santa Monica, CA
2007 L.A. Visions, Art Rental & Sales Gallery at the LA County Museum of Art, Los Angeles, CA

GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2021 Summer Cityscape Group Show," George Billis Gallery, Westport, CT
Art Auction 2021, Laguna Art Museum, Laguna, CA
2020 Cult, Group Show, La Fiambrera Gallery, Madrid, Spain
Summer Cityscape Group Show, George Billis Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
Art Auction 2020," Laguna Art Museum, Laguna, CA
2019 Villianess, Group Show, La Fiambrera Gallery, Madrid, Spain
New Releases, WonderGround Gallery, Disneyland, Anaheim, CA
Summer Cityscape Group Show, George Billis Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
Art Auction XVIII and Exhibit," Long Beach Museum of Art, Long Beach, CA
Art Auction 2019, Laguna Art Museum, Laguna, CA
2018 Space Oddity Group Show, La Fiambrera Gallery, Madrid, Spain
The Cityscape Show VIII, George Billis Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
Summer Group Show, George Billis Gallery, New York, NY
Art Auction 2018, Laguna Art Museum, Laguna, CA
2017 Punk Group Show, La Fiambrera Gallery, Madrid, Spain
The Cityscape Show VII, George Billis Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
Summer Group Show, George Billis Gallery, New York, NY
Art Auction XVII and Exhibit, Long Beach Museum of Art, Long Beach, CA
Art Auction 2017, Laguna Art Museum, Laguna, CA
2016 The Cityscape Show VI, George Billis Gallery LA, Los Angeles, CA
Art Auction 2016, Laguna Art Museum, Laguna, CA
2015 The Cityscape Show V, George Billis Gallery LA, Los Angeles, CA
Summer Group Show, George Billis Gallery, New York, NY
Art Auction 2015, Laguna Art Museum, Laguna, CA
Palm Springs Fine Art Fair, George Billis Gallery, Los Angeles, CA

- 2014 Artists Council Exhibition, Palm Springs Art Museum, Palm Springs, CA
 California Dreaming: An International Portrait of Southern California, Palazzo della
 Provincia di Frosinone, Frosinone, Italy; Oceanside Museum of Art, Oceanside, CA;
 Riverside Art Museum, Riverside, CA
 The Cityscape Show IV, George Billis Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
 Incognito, Santa Monica Museum of Art, Santa Monica, CA
 Palm Springs Fine Art Fair, George Billis Gallery Booth, Palm Springs, CA
 Art Auction 2014, Laguna Art Museum, Laguna, CA
- 2013 The Cityscape Show III, George Billis Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
 Palette to Palate, Laguna Art Museum, Laguna, CA
 Kindred, Bold Hype Gallery, New York, NY
- 2012 The Cityscape Show II, George Billis Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
 The New Real Group Show, Tinney Contemporary, Nashville, TN
 Play Me, I'm Your's art installation, LA Chamber Orchestra, Los Angeles, CA
- 2011 La Luz de Jesus 25 Part 2 group show, La Luz de Jesus Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
 The Cityscape Show, George Billis Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
 Perspectives: Selected Artists, George Billis Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
 Art Auction and Exhibition 14, Long Beach Museum of Art, Long Beach, CA
- 2010 Metro Neighborhoods Poster Contest winner, Metro Transit Authority Los Angeles
 A History of Flight, Terrence Rogers Fine Art, Santa Monica, CA
 Foundation Colas 2010 Acquisitions, Foundation Colas, Boulogne-Billancourt, France
 As They See It, 941 Geary Gallery, San Francisco, CA
 Collector's Circle Acquisitions 1994-2010, Long Beach Museum of Art, Long Beach, CA
- 2009 Los Angeles Currents group show, Couturier Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
 Art Auction 13, featured artist, Long Beach Museum of Art, Long Beach, CA
 Open Call, Los Angeles Municipal Art Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
 Art Auction, Gallery 825, Los Angeles, CA
 Everything But The Kitschen Sync, La Luz de Jesus Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
 Size Doesn't Matter, Terrence Rogers Fine Art, Santa Monica, CA

PUBLICATIONS

- 2021 American Art Collector, "Dream a Little Dream," May issue
 Dominic Bradbury. The Secret Life of the Modern House. Ilex. 2021. Cover art
 Atomic Ranch Magazine, "Cool Stuff," Spring issue
- 2020 Shoutout LA Online, "Danny Heller – Fine Artist," June 22
 CA Modern Magazine, cover art, Summer issue
- 2019 American Art Collector Magazine, "Midcentury Spaces," November issue
 American Art Collector Magazine, "Hit The Road," October issue
 American Art Collector Magazine, "California Dreamin'," August issue
 American Art Collector Magazine, "Tiki Modern," July issue
 Luxe Magazine, "Modern Take," May/June issue
- 2018 Architectural Digest Spain, "Vida De Barrio," June issue
 Cosmopolitan Magazine Spain, "Arte," May issue
 Yorokobu Magazine Online, "Danny Heller retrata el Mid-century Modern, la cara optimista y
 yanqui de la Bauhaus europea," April 24
 Arquitectura y Diseño Magazine Online, "El cool californiano en Madrid," March 27

- 2017 Car Kulture DeLux Magazine, "Curbside Culture," Fall issue
 American Art Collector Magazine, "Architectural Aesthetics," December issue
 LA Weekly, "Modern Love," January 6-12
- 2016 Menrad, Chris, and Heidi Creighton. William Krisel's Palm Springs: The Language of
 Modernism. Gibbs Smith. 2016. Pg 184
 California Home + Design Magazine, "Portraits of Summer," Summer issue
 American Art Collector Magazine, "Midcentury Design," March issue
 Society6 Art Quarterly, Winter issue
 Palm Springs Style Magazine, "Danny Heller's Palm Springs," Vol.2 Issue 1
- 2014 American Art Collector Magazine, "Vintage New York City," October issue
 Coachella Valley Weekly, "Danny Heller - Retro/Modernism Painter," May 1-7
- 2013 Fine Art Connoisseur Magazine Online, "California Painter Pictures Mid-Century L.A.," Oct. 17
 CA Home + Design Magazine, "The Art of Suburbia," Summer issue
 Dwell Magazine, "Dwell Scenes," June issue
 The Desert Sun, "Sunnylands Family Day Highlights Estate's Modernist Design," Feb. 19
 Coachella Valley Arts Scene, "Meet Artist Danny Heller at Hotel Lautner," Feb. 14
- 2012 Dwell Magazine Online, "The Architectural Paintings of Danny Heller," Dec. 6
 Juxtapose Magazine Online, "Danny Heller Paints Midcentury Architecture Now," Nov. 27
 The Desert Sun, "Artist: Painting midcentury homes is like opening a time capsule," Nov. 3
 KCET Artbound, "Future Perfect: The Midcentury Modern Paintings of Danny Heller," Oct. 15
- 2011 Gore, Janice S. La Luz de Jesus 25: The Little Gallery That Could. La Luz de Jesus Press.
 2011. Pg 118
 McCallum Theatre Program, cover art, 2011/2012 season
 L.A. Daily News Newspaper, "Valley Scenes," Nov. 19, pg. A4
 Atomic Ranch Magazine, "Town & Country," Winter issue
- 2010 Southwest Art, "City Scenes," May issue
 CA Modern Magazine, cover art, Spring issue
- 2009 CA Modern Magazine, "Art Imitates Life," Fall issue
- 2008 CA Modern Magazine, cover art, Fall issue
 Southwest Art, "Artists To Watch," October
 Atomic Ranch Magazine, "Cool Stuff," Summer issue
 CA Modern Magazine, "Inside Tracts," Summer issue
- 2007 New American Paintings #73

PUBLIC COLLECTIONS

Palm Springs Art Museum Architecture and Design Center, Palm Springs, CA
 Long Beach Museum of Art, Long Beach, CA
 Foundation Colas, Paris, France
 Arquette Collection, Los Angeles, CA

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