



**b. 1971 New York**  
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Derek Gores recycles magazines, labels, and assorted found materials to create his collage works on canvas. The series showcases Gores' contrasting interests in the living beauty of the figure, the mechanically angular and abstract design aesthetics of fashion, and a fearless sense of play. Derek was honored to have his work selected for the Manifest Hope DC exhibit coinciding with the Presidential Inauguration in 2009, and was named 'One of the 40 important artists of the New Contemporary Movement' while in an exhibit in London in 2010.

"I like my pictures to barely come together with teasing little details. The mind can't help but wander, even when trying to focus on one thing. In the collages, some of the little bits I use are deliberate, but i'm after an end result more interesting than I could have planned. One friend calls it a 'Zen Narrative.' "

His subjects are fierce figures in a space, influenced by heroes Gustav Klimt, Egon Schiele, Franz Kline, Rube Goldberg, Max Ernst, and, "those great old long-exposure photos of Abraham Lincoln where you can feel the whole minute inside each image. I love that buzzing stillness. I do reference a classic beauty, but made of raw and geometric and un-designed parts, so I feel it's a contemporary beauty too. Key to me is that it is the subject's strength, for her alone. I'm not interested in conscious concepts- I make something simple and let the elements combine in the head, reacting with each history the viewer brings to the table. When it goes well, I hope to create a real moment, instead of just a picture of a moment."

**VIDEO:** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=J18pGuUYb5Y>

**EXHIBITIONS**

GONZO, group show with TAG Galleries, Baltimore, May 2013  
VANGUARD, small group show, Thinkspace Gallery, May 2013  
SELECT FAIR at Art Basel Miami, Dec 2012  
COLLAGE EUROPE! solo show, EGAD Art Lab, Melbourne, FL October 2012  
COLLAGE COUTURE, solo show, Baisden Gallery Tampa, September 2012  
WILD AT HEART, group show Thinkspace Gallery, Los Angeles, August 2012  
SYNERGY, group show Thinkspace Gallery/Spoke Art San Francisco, May 2012  
THINKSPACE GALLERY, 3 person show, Torn and Tattered, 2011  
LAX/PDX at TOGETHER GALLERY group show, Portland, OR, 2011  
TORN, 2 person show, Elliott Fouts Gallery, Sacramento. 2011  
CHEMISTRY, Egad! Art Lab, group show, Melbourne, FL 2011  
LONDON MILES GALLERY, 40, group show, London, England 2010  
LOVE CONQUERS ALL group show, Thinkspace LA, 2010  
TORN solo show, Baisden Gallery, Tampa, 2010  
RE:FORM SCHOOL produced by REDU, group show, New York City, 2010  
THIS IS THE SEA. solo show, SLOW Gallery, Melbourne, FL.2010  
THINKSPACE 5th ANNIVERSARY SHOW group show, Los Angeles.2010  
BLANK SPACE GALLERY Orlando. Torn solo show, 2010  
ELLIOT FOUTS GALLERY group Invitational, Sacramento 2010  
GALLERY PROVOCATEUR group show, Chicago 2010  
MANIFEST EQUALITY group show by Yosi Sergant and Apple Via, LA 2010  
ROBOT LOVE v 2.0 group show, Melbourne 2010  
PARLOR GALLERY Memento Mori, group show, Asbury Park, 2009  
TORN solo show, 321 Agency, Melbourne, 2009  
DEJA VU group show SLOW Gallery, Melbourne, 2009  
"1" Group Exhibition, SLOW Gallery, Melbourne, 2009  
MOTORCYCLE: ART ON THE ROAD TO GOOD AND EVIL, Deland Museum of Florida Art, 2009  
ROBOT LOVE group show, Brevard Art Museum, Melbourne, 2009  
MANIFEST HOPE: DC group show, Irvine Contemporary, Washington DC, 2009  
(Juried by Shepard Fairey, Spike Lee, et al.)  
SUBLIME OF THE TIMES group show, Melbourne, 2008, Curator  
THE FINE LINE group show, 321 Agency, Melbourne, FL 2008  
URBAN SUBVERSION group show, Imago Gallery, Melbourne, FL 2007

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