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Born	1923	Long Beach, CA
Died	2004	San Francisco, CA

1949-51 California School of Fine Arts, San Francisco, CA Education

John Berggruen Gallery, San Francisco, CA

B.S., Chemistry, California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, CA 1948

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Solo Exhib	pitions
2016	Jess 4, Tibor de Nagy Gallery, New York, NY
2014	Looking Past Seeing Through, Tibor de Nagy Gallery, New York, NY
2011	Jess 3, Tibor de Nagy Gallery, New York, NY
2009	Jess 2, Tibor de Nagy Gallery, New York, NY
2007-09	Jess: To and From the Printed Page, curated by Ingrid Schaffner: San Jose Museum of Art, San Jose, CA; Madison Museum of Contemporary Art, Madison, WI; Pasadena Museum of California Art, Pasadena, CA; Harry Ransom Humanities Research Center, The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX; Douglas F. Cooley Memorial Art Gallery, Reed College, Portland, OR; The University of Iowa Museum of Art, Iowa City, IA; Cornell Fine Arts Museum, Rollins College, Winter Park, FL
2008	Gallery Paule Anglim, San Francisco, CA Jess, Tibor de Nagy Gallery, New York, NY
2007-08	The Arion Press Gallery, San Francisco, CA
2005	Gallery Paule Anglim, San Francisco, CA Tibor de Nagy Gallery, New York, NY
1996	Gallery Paule Anglim, San Francisco, CA
1993-94	Jess: A Grand Collage 1951–1993, organized by Michael Auping: Albright Knox Gallery, Buffalo, NY; Walker Art Center, Minneapolis, MN; San Francisco Museum of Art, San Francisco, CA; Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, MA; Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, NY
1990	Jess: the Romantic Paintings, Palo Alto Cultural Center, Palo Alto, CA

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1989	San Jose Museum of Art, San Jose, CA
1987	The Cleveland Museum of Art, Cleveland, OH
1983	The John and Mable Ringling Museum of Art, Sarasota, FL Newport Harbor Art Museum, Newport, CA Gallery Paule Anglim, San Francisco, CA
1982	Odyssia Gallery, New York, NY
1981	The Arts Club of Chicago, Chicago, IL
1980	University Art Museum at the University of California, Berkeley, Berkeley, CA Odyssia Gallery, New York, NY
1978	Odyssia Gallery, New York, NY
1977	Dallas Museum of Fine Arts, Dallas, TX University Art Museum at the University of California, Berkeley, Berkely, CA
1975	Galleria Odyssia, Rome, Italy Wadsworth Atheneum, Hartford, CT
1974	The Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY
1972	The Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago, IL
1971	Odyssia Gallery, New York, NY
1968	Paste-Ups by Jess, San Francisco Museum of Art, San Francisco, CA
1967	Eastern Washington State Historical Society, Cheney Cowles Museum, Spokane, WA
1965	Rolf Nelson Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
1961	Borregaard's Museum, San Francisco, CA
1960	Dilexi Gallery, San Francisco, CA
1959	City Lights Bookstore, San Francisco, CA Gump's Art Gallery, San Francisco, CA
1954	The Place, San Francisco, CA
1953	The King Ubu Gallery, San Francisco, CA
1950	Helvie Makela Gallery, San Francisco, CA

Selected Group Exhibitions

2023 OFF THE GRID: Post–Formal Conceptualism, Hosfelt Gallery, San Francisco, CA

2015	Leap Before You Look: Black Mountain College 1933–1957, Institute of Contemporary Art, Boston, MA; Hammer Museum, Los Angeles, CA; The Wexner Center for the Arts at Ohio State University, Columbus, OH Attachment, Krannert Art Museum at the University of Illinois, Urbana–Champaign, IL America is Hard to See, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, NY Jess, Robert Duncan, and Their Circle, Pasadena Museum of California Art, Pasadena, CA
2014	Holding It Together: Collage, Montage, Assemblage, Hosfelt Gallery, San Francisco, CA An Opening of The Field: Jess, Robert Duncan, and Their Circle, The Grey Art Gallery, New York University, New York, NY; Katzen Arts Center, American University, Washington, D.C.; The Pasadena Museum of California Art, Pasadena, CA
2013	SIGHT/VISION: The Urban Milieu, Gallery Paule Anglim, San Francisco, CA An Opening of The Field: Jess, Robert Duncan, and Their Circle, The Crocker Art Museum, Sacramento, CA
2012	The Painted Word, Meridian Gallery, San Francisco, CA
2010	Shred, Perry Rubenstein Gallery, New York, NY
2009	Metamorphosis Victorianus, Ubu Gallery, NY
2008	Circa 1958: Breaking Ground in American Art, Ackland Art Museum at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC Entre Chien et Loup, Kent Gallery, New York, NY Sparks! The William T. Kemper Collecting Initiative, The Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art, Kansas City, MO
2007	Pioneers, CCA Wattis Institute for Contemporary Arts, San Francisco, CA
2005	Jess and Ray Johnson, Word Pictures: Paste-ups Moticos, and Assemblages 1951–1997, Hackett-Freedman Gallery, San Francisco, CA
2004	Poetry and its Arts: Bay Area Interactions 1954–2004, California Historical Society, San Francisco
1999	Dream Architecture, Kent Gallery, New York, NY
1998	Art from Around the Bay, San Francisco Museum of Modern Art, San Francisco, CA
1993	Parallel Visions: Modern Artists and Outsider Art, Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Los Angeles, CA
1992	Hand-Painted Pop: American Art in Transition, 1955–62, The Museum of Contemporary Art, Los Angeles, CA Robert Duncan: Drawings and Decorated Books, The Bancroft Library, University Art Museum at the University of California, Berkeley, Berkeley, CA Poem Makers, L.A. Louver, Los Angeles, CA Sight Vision: The Urban Milieu: Number Three: Wallace Berman, Bruce Conner, Jay

	DeFeo, Wally Hedrick, George Herms, Jess, Gallery Paule Anglim, San Francisco, CA
1991-92	Pop-Art, Royal Academy of Arts, London, UK; Museum Ludwig, Cologne, Germany; Museo Nacional Centro de Arte Reina Sofia, Madrid, Spain
1990	Lyrical Vision: The 6 Gallery 1954–1957, Natsoulas Novelozo Gallery, Davis, CA Lyn Brockway, Harry Jacobus, and Jess: The Romantic Paintings, Weigand Gallery of the College of Notre Dame, Belmont, CA
1989	 An Art of Wondering: The King Ubu Gallery 1952–1953, Natsoulas Novelozo Gallery, Davis, CA Bay Area: Fresh Views, San Jose Museum of Art, San Jose, CA Forty Years of California Assemblage, Wight Art Gallery at the University of California, Los Angeles, Los Angeles, CA Collage and Assemblage, Bill Bissett, George Herms, Jess, Al Neil, Vancouver Art Gallery, Vancouver, Canada
1988	 The Poetic Object, San Antonio Museum of Art, San Antonio, TX; Boise Art Museum, Boise, ID; Art Museum of South Texas, Corpus Christi, TX; Amarillo Art Center, Amarillo, TX Different Drummers: Wallace Berman, Clyde Connell, Bruce Conner, Ovyind Fahlstrom, Robert Helm, Alfred Jensen, Jess, Luis Jimenez, Peter Saul, Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D.C. Lost and Found in California: Four Decades of Assemblage Art, James Corcoran Gallery, Santa Monica, CA
1987	 Made in USA: An Americanization in Modern Art, the 50's & 60's, University Art Museum at the University of California, Berkeley, Berkeley, CA; The Nelson- Atkins Museum of Art, Kansas City, MO; Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, Richmond, VA Assemblage, Kent Fine Art, Inc., New York, NY Comic Iconoclasm, Institute of Contemporary Arts, London, UK; Douglas Hyde Gallery, Dublin, Ireland; Cornerhouse Gallery, Manchester, UK; Circulo de Bellas Artes, Madrid, Spain; Louisiana Museum of Modern Art, Humelbaek, Denmark
1986	American/European Painting and Sculpture 1986: Part II, L.A. Louver, Venica, CA The Spiritual in Art: Abstract Painting 1890–1985, Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Los Angeles, CA; Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago; Haags Gemeentemuseum, The Haugue, Netherlands
1985	An Inside Place: Interior Spaces of the Mind and Eye, Noyes Museum, Oceanville, NJ Art in The San Francisco Bay Area, 1945–1980, Oakland Museum, Oakland, CA American/European Painting and Sculpture 1985: Part I, L.A. Louver, Venice, CA Ars Medica: Art, Medicine, and the Human Condition, Philadelphia Museum of Art, Philadelphia, PA; Cleveland Museum of Art, Cleveland, OH; Fine Arts Museum of San Francisco, San Francisco, CA; Yasuda Kasai Museum, Tokyo, Japan
1984	The Boise Gallery of Art, Boise, ID

1983	The Comic Art Show: Cartoons in Painting and Popular Culture, Whitney Museum of American Art, Downtown Branch, NY American Accents, The Gallery, Stratford, Canada; College Park, Toronto, Canada, Musée du Québec, Québec, Canada; Art Gallery of Nova Scotia, Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada; Art Gallery of Windsor, Windsor, Canada; The Edmonton Art Gallery, Edmonton, Canada; Vancouver Art Gallery, Vancouver, Canada; Glenbow Museum, Calgary, Calgary, Canada; Musée d'art contemporain, Montreal, Canada
1982	The Americans: The Collage, Contemporary Arts Museum, Houston, TX
1981	California: A Sense of Individualism: Part I, L.A. Louver, Venice, CA Pacific Coast States Collection from the Vice-President's House, National Museum of American Art, Washington, D.C.
1980	Mysterious and Magical Realism, The Aldrich Museum of Contemporary Art, Ridgefield, CT
	Aspects of the 70's: Mavericks, Rose Art Museum at Brandeis University, Waltham, MA
1979	Private Icon, The Bronx Museum of the Arts, New York, NY Works on Paper, Odyssia Gallery, New York, NY
1978	Narration, Institute of Contemporary Art, Boston, MA 8 Artists, Philadelphia Museum of Art, Philadelphia, PA
1977	Words at Liberty, Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago, IL Perceptions of The Spirit in Twentieth-Century American Art, Indianapolis Museum of Art, Indianapolis, IN; University Art Museum at the University of California, Berkeley, Berkeley, CA; Marion Koogler McNay Art Institute, San Antonio, TX; Columbus Gallery of Fine Arts, Columbus, OH
1976	Painting and Sculpture in California: The Modern Era, San Francisco Museum of Modern Art, San Francisco, CA
1975	Art as a Muscular Principle/Ten Artists and San Francisco 1950–1965, John and Norah Warbeke Gallery at Mount Holyoke College, South Hadley, MA
1974	Contemporary American Painting and Sculpture 1974, Krannert Art Museum, Champaign, IL Seventy-First American Exhibition, The Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL Poets of The Cities, 1974, Dallas Museum of Fine Arts, Dallas, TX; Southern Methodist University, Dallas, TX; San Francisco Museum of Modern Art, San Francisco, CA; Wadsworth Atheneum, Hartford, CT
1973	Extraordinary Realities, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, NY; Everson Museum of Art, Syracuse, NY; The Contemporary Arts Center, Cincinnati, OH
1972	Seventieth American Exhibition, The Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL
1970	American Painting 1970, Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, Richmond, VA A Century of California Painting 1870–1970, Crocker Citizens National Bank, San

Symbol and Vision, Gallery Reese Palley, San Francisco, CA 1969 Pop Art, Hayward Gallery, London, England The Spirit of the Comics, Institute of Contemporary Art, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA 1968 On Looking Back: Bay Area: 1945-1960, San Francisco Museum of Modern Art, San Francisco, CA Elevated Underground: The North Beach Period, Cellini Gallery, San Francisco, CA 1966 Los Angeles Now, Robet Fraser Gallery, London, England 1965 California Here, Macy's, New York, NY American Collages, State University College, Oswego, NY; Wells College, Aurora, NY; Art Gallery at Chatham College, Pittsburgh, PA; Allentown Art Museum, PA; The Museum of Modern Art, NY; Goucher College, Baltimore, MD; Kresge Art Center at Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI; Gordon Fennel Gallery and Marvin Cone Gallery at Coe College, Cedar Rapids, IA; Delaware Art Center, Wilmington, DE; State University of New York at Geneseo, Geneseo, NY 1964 Buzz Gallery, San Francisco, CA Selection of Recent Works, Rolf Nelson Gallery, Los Angeles, CA The Painter and the Photograph, Rose Art Museum at Brandeis University, Waltham, MA; Art Museum at Indiana University, Bloomington, IN; Museum of Art at University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA; University Art Museum at University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, NM; Santa Barbara Museum of Art, Santa Barbara, CA Pop Art U.S.A., Oakland Art Museum, Oakland, CA 1963 Lanyon Gallery, Palo Alto, CA Peacock Gallery, San Francisco, CA 1962 The Arts of San Francisco: Painting and Sculpture, San Francisco Museum of Art, San Francisco, CA Some Points of View, Stanford Art Gallery, Palo Alto, CA 1961 Pomona College Art Gallery, Pomona, CA The Art of Assemblage, The Museum of Modern Art, NY; The Dallas Museum for Contemporary Arts, Dallas, TX; San Francisco Museum of Art, San Francisco, CA 1960 Borregaard's Museum, San Francisco, CA 1953 The King Ubu Gallery (January, September, October), San Francisco, CA Harry Jacobs, Lynne Brown, Jess Collins, The King Ubu Gallery (May-June), San Francisco, CA

Students' Salon des Refusés, California School of Fine Arts, San Francisco, CA

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Albright-Knox Art Gallery, Buffalo, NY Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL The Crocker Art Museum, Sacramento, CA The Dallas Museum of Art, Dallas, TX Des Moines Art Center, Des Moines, IA Fine Arts Museums of San Francisco, The de Young, San Francisco, CA The Grand Rapids Art Museum, Grand Rapids, MI Hirshhorn Museum of Art, Washington, DC Krannert Art Museum, University of Illinois, Champaign, IL Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Los Angeles, CA Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, NY Modern Art Museum of Fort Worth, Fort Worth, TX The Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY The Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago, IL The National Gallery of Art, Washington, DC Nelson Atkins, Kansas City, KS Oakland Museum of California, Oakland, CA Philadelphia Museum of Art, Philadelphia, PA The Poetry Collection, University at Buffalo Libraries, Buffalo, NY San Francisco MoMA, San Francisco, CA University of California, Berkeley Art Museum, Berkeley, CA Wadsworth Athenaeum, Hartford, CT Walker Art Center, Minneapolis, MN Whitney Museum of Art, New York, NY

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2011	Cotter, Holland. "The Medicine Bag," <i>The New York Times</i> , July 28. Yau, John. "The Real and the Imaginary," Tibor de Nagy (catalogue).
2010	Geha, Katie. "The Assemblages of Jess: What does it mean to say a visual thing is poetic?," The Poetry Foundation, June 9.
2009	Duncan, Michael. "Engines of Genesis: Jess's Paste-Ups," Tibor de Nagy (catalogue)
2008	Carlin, T.J. "Jess: Paintings and Paste-ups," <i>Time Out New York</i> , June 19-25, pp. 33-36. Feinstein, Roni. "Jess," <i>Circa 1958: Breaking Ground in American Art</i> (catalogue), p. 40.

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