

GALLERY WENDI NORRIS

LEONORA CARRINGTON CURRICULUM VITAE

Born 1917 Clayton-le-Woods, Lancashire, United Kingdom
Died 2011 Mexico City, Mexico

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2025-2026 *Leonora Carrington*, Palazzo Real, Milan, Italy; Musée de Luxembourg, Paris, France
- 2025 *Leonora Carrington: Mythopoesis*, Gallery Wendi Norris, San Francisco, CA
Leonora Carrington: Dream Weaver, Rose Art Museum, Waltham, MA
- 2024 *Leonora Carrington: Avatars and Alliances*, Firstsite, Colchester, UK
- 2022-2023 *Leonora Carrington*, ARKEN Museum of Modern Art, Ishøj, Denmark; Fundación Mapfre, Madrid, Spain
- 2019 *Leonora Carrington: The Story of the Last Egg*, Gallery Wendi Norris Offsite, New York, NY
- 2018 *Leonora Carrington: Magical Tales*, Museo de Arte Moderno, Mexico City, Mexico; Palacio de Bellas Artes, Mexico City, Mexico; Museo de Arte Contemporáneo de Monterrey, Monterrey, Mexico
- 2017 *Leonora Carrington: 100 años de una artista*, Biblioteca de México Ciudadela, Mexico City, Mexico
- 2015 *Leonora Carrington*, Tate Liverpool, Liverpool, United Kingdom
- 2014 *Leonora Carrington: The Celtic Surrealist*, Gallery Wendi Norris, San Francisco, CA
- 2013 *Leonora Carrington: The Celtic Surrealist*, Irish Museum of Modern Art, Dublin, Ireland
- 2008 *Leonora Carrington: The Talismanic Lens*, Frey Norris Contemporary and Modern, San Francisco, CA
Leonora Carrington: La mariée du vent, Maison de L'Amérique Latine, Paris, France
- 2007 *Leonora Carrington: What She Might Be*, Dallas Museum of Art, Dallas, TX
- 1997 *Leonora Carrington*, Tokyo Station Gallery, Tokyo, Japan; Daimaru Museum, Umeda-Osaka, Japan; Hida Takayama Museum of Art, Takayama, Japan; Mie Prefectural Art Museum, Tsu, Japan
- 1995 *Leonora Carrington: Una retrospectiva*, Museo de Arte Moderno de México, Mexico City, Mexico; Instituto Nacional de Bellas Artes, Mexico City, Mexico
- 1994 *Leonora Carrington: Una retrospectiva*, Museo de Arte Contemporáneo de Monterrey, Monterrey, Mexico; Museo de Arte Moderno de México - Instituto Nacional de Bellas Artes, Mexico City, Mexico
- 1991 *Aspectos del surrealismo en México*, Centro Cultural/Arte Contemporáneo, Mexico City, Mexico
Leonora Carrington, Galería del Arte del Aeropuerto Internacional de la Ciudad de México, Mexico City, Mexico
Leonora Carrington: Paintings, Drawings and Sculpture 1940-1990, Serpentine Gallery, London, United Kingdom; Harris Museum, Preston, United Kingdom
Leonora Carrington, Sainsbury, Norwich, United Kingdom; Arnolfini, Bristol, United Kingdom
Leonora Carrington: The Mexican Years 1943-1985, The Mexican Museum, San Francisco, CA
- 1990 *Leonora Carrington*, Art Company, Leeds, United Kingdom
Leonora Carrington, Brewster Gallery, New York, NY
- 1989 *Leonora Carrington*, Museo Nacional de la Estampa, Mexico City, Mexico
- 1987 *Leonora Carrington*, Alexander Iolas Gallery, New York, NY
Leonora Carrington, Center for Inter-American Relations, New York University Art Museum, New York, NY; University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX
Leonora Carrington, Brewster Gallery, New York, NY
Leonora Carrington, Art Space Mirage, Tokyo, Japan
- 1975 *Leonora Carrington: A Retrospective Exhibition*, The Center for Inter-American Relations, New York, NY
- 1969 *Leonora Carrington*, Galerie Pierre, Paris, France
Leonora Carrington, Instituto Nacional de Bellas Artes, Sala Nacional, Mexico City, Mexico
Leonora Carrington, Palacio de Bellas Artes, Mexico City Mexico
Leonora Carrington, Galería de Arte Mexicano/Flores, Mexico City, Mexico

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- 1965 *Leonora Carrington*, Galería de Arte Mexicano, Mexico City, Mexico
Leonora Carrington, Instituto Cultural Anglo-Mexicano, Mexico City, Mexico
Leonora Carrington, Galería Clardecor, Mexico City, Mexico
- 1960 *Leonora Carrington*, Museo Nacional de Arte Moderno, INBA, Mexico City, Mexico
- 1957 *Leonora Carrington*, Galería Antonio Souza, Mexico City, Mexico
- 1956 *Leonora Carrington*, Galería de Arte Mexicano, Mexico City, Mexico
- 1952 *Leonora Carrington*, Galerie Pierre Loeb, Paris, France
- 1948 *Leonora Carrington*, Pierre Matisse Gallery, New York, NY
- 1942 *Leonora Carrington*, Pierre Matisse Gallery, New York, NY

SELECT GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2025-2026 *Surrealism*, Philadelphia Museum of Art, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
- 2025 *Rendezvous of Dreams*, Hamburger Kunsthalle, Hamburg, Germany
1924. Other Surrealisms, Fundación MAPFRE, Madrid, Spain
- 2024 *Imagine! 100 Years of Surrealism*, Royal Museum of Fine Arts of Belgium, Brussels, Belgium
Surréalisme, Centre Pompidou, Musée National d'Art Moderne, Paris France
31 Mujeres: una exposición de Peggy Guggenheim, Fundación MAPFRE Madrid, Spain
- 2022-2023 *Surrealism and Magic: Enchanted Modernity*, Peggy Guggenheim Collection, Venice, Italy; Museum Barberini, Potsdam, Germany
- 2022 59th Venice Biennale, *The Milk of Dreams*, Venice, Italy
- 2021-2022 *Surrealism Beyond Borders*, Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, NY; Tate Modern, London, United Kingdom
- 2021 *Alice: Curiouser and Curiouser*, Victoria and Albert Museum, London, United Kingdom
Surrealist Art: Masterpieces from Museum Boijmans Van Beuningen, Museum of New Zealand, Te Papa Tongarewa, New Zealand
- 2019-2021 *I Paint My Reality: Surrealism in Latin America*, NSU Art Museum, Fort Lauderdale, FL
- 2020 *Fantastic Women*, Schirn Kunsthalle, Frankfurt, Germany; Louisiana Museum of Modern Art, Humlebæk, Denmark
This is Surrealism! The Boijmans Masterpieces, Cobra Museum of Modern Art, Amstelveen, Netherlands
- 2019 *Surrealism in Mexico*, Di Donna Gallery, New York, New York
Encounters: Honoring the Animal in Ourselves, Palo Alto Art Center, Palo Alto, CA
- 2018 *Modern Couples*, Centre Pompidou-Metz, Lorraine, France; Barbican Art Gallery, London, United Kingdom
- 2016 *Chance Meeting on a Dissecting Table*, Weinstein Gallery, San Francisco, CA
Leonora Carrington/Lucy Skaer, Leeds College of Art, Leeds, United Kingdom
Artists and Lovers, Ordovas, New York, NY; Ordovas, London, United Kingdom
The Language of Birds, 80WSE Gallery, New York University, New York, NY
- 2014 *Arte Mexicano: Legacy of the Masters*, Crocker Art Museum, Sacramento, CA
- 2013 *Surrealism and the Dream*, Museo Thyssen-Bornemisza, Madrid, Spain
- 2012 *In Wonderland: The Surrealist Adventures of Women Artists in Mexico and the United States*, Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Los Angeles, CA; Musée National des Beaux-Arts du Québec, Ville de Québec, Canada; Museo de Arte Moderno, Mexico City, Mexico
- 2011 *Pangea: Art at the Forefront of Cultural Convergence*, Gallery Wendi Norris, San Francisco, CA
Exultation: Sex, Death & Madness in Eight Surrealist Masterworks, Frey Norris Contemporary and Modern, San Francisco, CA
The Colour of My Dreams: The Surrealist Revolution in Art, Vancouver Art Gallery, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada
Cosmopolitan Routes: Houston Collects Latin American Art, Museum of Fine Arts Houston, Houston, TX

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- 2010 *Surreal Friends: Leonora Carrington, Remedios Varo and Kati Horna*, Pallant House Gallery, Chichester, UK
Angels of Anarchy: Women Artists and Surrealism, Manchester City Art Gallery, Manchester, United Kingdom
- 2009 *North Looks South: Building the Latin American Art Collection*, Museum of Fine Arts Houston, Houston, TX
- 2007 *Surrealism: Dreams on Canvas*, Nassau County Museum of Art, Roslyn Harbor, NY
- 2002 *Max Ernst e i suoi amici surrealisti*, Museo del Corso, Rome, Italy
- 2001 *Leonor Fini and Her Contemporaries: Surrealism Through the Eyes of Women Artists*, Weinstein Gallery, San Francisco, CA
Surrealism: Desire Unbound, Tate Modern, London, United Kingdom; The Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, NY
- 2000 *Frida Kahlo, Diego Rivera, and Twentieth-Century Mexican Art: The Jacques and Natasha Gelman Collection*, Museum of Contemporary Art, San Diego, CA; National Museum of Mexican Art, Chicago, IL
- 1999 *Surrealism: Two Private Eyes/The Nesuhi Ertegun and Daniel Filipacchi Collections*, Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum, New York, NY
Lés surréalistes en exil et les débuts de l'école de New York, Musée d'Art Moderne et Contemporain, Strasbourg, France; Museo Nacional de Arte Reina Sofía, Madrid, Spain
Women in Mexico, National Academy of Design, New York, NY
Mirror Images: Women, Surrealism and Self-Representation, The Museum of Modern Art, San Francisco, CA
- 1998 *Beyond Belief: Modern Art and the Religious Imagination*, National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne, Australia
- 1997 *Art of this Century: The Women*, Pollock-Krasner House and Study Center, East Hampton, NY; The Peggy Guggenheim Collection, Venice, Italy
- 1995 *Latin American Women Artists 1915-1995*, Milwaukee Art Museum, Milwaukee, WI; Phoenix Art Museum, Phoenix, AZ
- 1993 *Regards des femmes*, Musée d'Art Moderne, Liège, Belgium
Sujeto-Objeto, Museo Regional de Guanajuato, Guanajuato, Mexico; Museo de Monterrey, Monterrey, Mexico
- 1991 *La mujer en México*, Centro Cultural/Arte Contemporáneo, Mexico City, Mexico
El surrealismo entre viejo y nuevo mundo, Centro Atlántico de Arte Moderno, Las Palmas de Gran Canaria, Spain
Surreal Friends: Leonora Carrington, Remedios Varo and Kati Horna, Sainsbury, Norwich, United Kingdom
The Earth Itself, Parallel Project Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
- 1989 *Latin American Masters: Works on Paper and Sculpture*, Brewster Gallery, New York, NY
Art in Latin America, Hayward Gallery, London, United Kingdom
Women in Mexico, National Academy of Design, New York, NY
Mexican Painting 1950-1980, IBM Gallery, New York, NY
I Surrealisti, Palazzo Reale, Milan, Italy
- 1988 *Selections from the Ellen and Jerome Westheimer Collection*, Oklahoma Art Center, Oklahoma City, OK
- 1987 *Selections from the Permanent Collection*, the National Museum of Women in the Arts, Washington, D.C.
La femme et le surréalisme, Musée Cantonal des Beaux-Arts, Laussane, Switzerland
- 1986 *Art and Science*, Venice Biennale, Venice, Italy
La planète affolée: surréalisme, dispersion et influences 1938-1947, Musée de Marseille, Marseille, France
Los surrealistas en México, Museo Nacional de Arte, Mexico City, Mexico
L'aventure surréaliste autour d'André Breton, Galerie Artcurial, Paris, France
Women Artists of the Surrealist Movement, Baruch College Gallery, New York, NY
- 1981 *Künstlerinnen aus Mexiko*, Künstlerhaus Bethanien, Berlin, Germany
Latin American Masters, Brewster Gallery, New York, NY
Paris-Paris, 1937-1957, Centre Georges Pompidou, Paris, France
- 1980 *Mexique, peintres contemporains*, Musée Picasso, Antibes, France
- 1977 *Paris-New York*, Centre Georges Pompidou, Paris, France
René Magritte and Leonora Carrington, Surrealist Painting from the Edward James Collection, Chichester Centre of Arts, Chichester, United Kingdom

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- 1975 *La mujer como creadora y tema del arte*, Museo de Arte Moderno, Mexico City, Mexico
Britain in Mexico, Aniversario del Instituto Anglo-Mexicano de Cultura, Mexico City, Mexico
Surrealism in Art, Knoedler Gallery, New York, NY
- 1974 *Contemporary Mexican Art*, National Museum of Art, Tokyo, Japan; National Museum of Modern Art, Kyoto, Japan
- 1970 *Impressionism to Surrealism*, Worthing Art Museum and Gallery, Sussex, United Kingdom
- 1969 *The Surrealists*, Byron Gallery, New York, NY
- 1968 *Artistas británicos en México 1800-1968*, Instituto Anglo-Mexicano de Cultura, Mexico City, Mexico
- 1967 *IX Bienal de Pintura*, São Paulo, Brazil
- 1966 *Surrealismo y arte fantástico en México*, Galería Universitaria, Aristos, Mexico
Surrealism: A State of Mind, University of California, Santa Barbara, CA
- 1964 *The Peggy Guggenheim Collection*, The Tate Gallery, London, United Kingdom
- 1963 *Paintings from the Collection of Edward James*, Worthing Art Gallery, Worthing, England
- 1961 *El retrato mexicano contemporáneo*, Museo de Arte Moderno, Mexico City, Mexico
- 1960 *Exposición retrospectiva de pinturas y tapices de Leonora Carrington*, Instituto Nacional de Bellas Artes, Museo de Arte Moderno, Mexico City, Mexico
- 1959 *L'exposition internationale du surréalisme (EROS)*, Galerie Daniel Cordier, Paris, France
- 1958 *The Disquieting Muse: Surrealism*, Contemporary Art Museum, Houston, TX
- 1950 *Leonora Carrington*, Galería Clardecor, Mexico City, Mexico
- 1948 *Painting in the United States*, Carnegie Institute, Pittsburgh, PA
- 1947 *International Exhibition of Surrealism*, Pierre Matisse Gallery, New York, NY; San Francisco Museum of Modern Art, San Francisco, CA
- 1946 *Bel Ami International Competition and Exhibition of New Paintings by Eleven American and European Artists*, American Federation for the Arts, Knoedler Gallery, Washington, D.C.
- 1943 *20th Century Portraits*, Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY
First Papers of Surrealism, Madison Avenue Gallery, New York, NY
Exhibition of 31 Women Artists, Art of This Century, New York, NY
- 1938 *Exposition internationale du surréalisme*, Galerie Beaux-Arts, Paris, France
Exposition du surréalisme, Galerie Robert, Amsterdam, Netherlands

SELECT FILMS

- Female Human Animal*, directed by Josh Appignanesi, Minotaur Film, 2018
The Lost Surrealist, directed by Teresa Griffiths, New Docs with the BBC, 2017

SELECT EVENTS

- 2019 Symposium in conjunction with *Leonora Carrington: The Story of the Last Egg*, Gallery Wendi Norris Offsite, New York, NY

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The Talismanic Lens, (exh. cat.), Gallery Wendi Norris, San Francisco, CA, essays by Ara H. Merjian and Gabriel Weisz Carrington, 7 February – March 30, 2008

Angels of Anarchy: Women Artists and Surrealism (exh. cat.), Manchester Art Gallery, essays by Patricia Allmer, Mary Ann Caws, Roger Cardinal, Katherine Conley, Alyce Mahon, Georgina M. M. Colville, and Donna Roberts, 26 September 2009 – 10 January 2010

Ades, Dawn (curator), *The Color of My Dreams: The Surrealist Revolution in Art* (exh. cat.), Vancouver: Vancouver Art Gallery, 28 May – 25 September, 2011, with essays by Dawn Ades, Quentin Bajac, Timothy Baum, Colin Browne, Whitney Chadwick, Robert Houle, Sharon-Michi Kusunoki, Yves Le Fur, David Lomas, Marie Mauzé, Andreas Neufert, Michael Richardson, Kurt Seligmann, Anthony Shelton, and Anne Umland

Jones, Leslie, *Drawing Surrealism*, (exh. cat.), Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Los Angeles, CA, 21 October 2012 – 6 January 2013

Fort, Ilene Susan and Tere Arcq (ed.), *In Wonderland: Surrealist Adventures of Women Artists in Mexico and the United States*, (exh. cat.), Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Los Angeles, CA, 29 January – May 6, 2012; Musée National des Beaux-Arts du Québec, Quebec City, Québec 7 June – 3 September 2012; Museo de Arte Moderno, Mexico City, Mexico, 27 September 2012 – 13 January 2013

Leonora Carrington (exh. cat.), Dublin: Irish Museum of Modern Art, 18 September 2013 – 26 January 2014, foreword by Sarah Glennie, introduction by Seán Kissane, essays by Gabriel Weisz Carrington, Teresa Arcq, Seán Kissane, Giulia Ingarao, Dawn Ades, Alyce Mahon, and interview with the artist by Hans-Ulrich Obrist

Arte Mexicano: Legacy of the Masters (exh. cat.), Crocker Art Museum, Sacramento, CA, 12 October 2014 – 1 February 2015

Surrealist Women and their Connection with Catalonia, Mayoral Gallery, Barcelona, Spain, 12 January 2017 – 1 April 2017

Leonora Carrington: Magical Tales, Museo Del Palacio De Bellas Artes, Museo De Arte Moderno 2018, with essays by Stefan van Raay, Whitney Chadwick, Salomon Grimberg, Jaime Moreno Villarreal, Marisol Argüelles, Stefan van Raay, Tere Arcq, Terri Geis, Susan L. Aberth, Gabriel Weisz Carrington, Marina Warner, Francisco Peredo Castro, Joanne Pottlitzer, Gloria Orenstein, and Arturo López Rodríguez

Fantastic Women. Surreal Worlds from Meret Oppenheim to Frida Kahlo (exh. cat.), Schirn Kunsthalle, Frankfurt, Germany, 13 February – 24 May 2020; Louisiana Museum of Modern Art, Humlebæk, Denmark, 25 July – 8 November 2020, edited by Ingrid Pfeiffer

Surrealism Beyond Borders (exh. cat.), Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, NY, 4 October 2021 – 30 January 2022; Tate Modern, London, United Kingdom, 25 February – 20 August 2022, edited by Stephanie D'Alessandro and Matthew Gale

59th International Art Exhibition, *The Milk of Dreams*, La Biennale di Venezia (exh. cat.), curator Cecilia Alemani, 23 April – 27 November 2022

Surrealism and Magic: Enchanted Modernity (exh. cat.), Peggy Guggenheim Collection, Venice, Italy, 9 April – 26 September 2022; Museum Barberini, Potsdam, Germany, 22 October 2022 – 29 January 2023, exhibition and catalog by Gražina Subelytė and Daniel Zamani

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Surréalisme (exh. cat.), Centre Pompidou, Musée National d'Art Moderne, Paris, France, 4 September 2024 - 13 January 2025, edited by Didier Ottinger and Marie Sarré, scientific direction of "Changer le monde" section by Katia Sowels

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