

Mr Brainh PRESS KIT



























Mr. Brainwash's first solo show, Life is Beautiful, opened in the summer of 2008. Mounted in a former T.V. studio in Hollywood, it was the perfect place for the arrival of the art scene's rambunctiousnewplayer. The showwas

so eagerly anticipated that it garnered the cover of LA Weekly, one of Los Angeles' most circulate publications. Life is Beautiful opened with a tremendous thunder, attracting thousands of people who lined the streets

around the block. Featuring a 20-foot robot, a pyramid made of 20,000 books and a life-size recreation of Edward Hopper's "Nighthawks," Life is Beautiful was an extremely successful debut. The show extended

for three months, attracting a total of 50,000 visitors, and went on to become one of the most memorable solo shows in LA's Art history. This was just the beginning.





Mr. Brainwash's signature style was soon garnering the attention of everyone from fine art critics to journalists and celebrities. In 2009, when Madonna was set to release her greatest hits compilation, "Celebration," she asked Mr.

Brainwash to design the cover. He designed 15 different covers for the wide release, singles, DVDs and special edition vinyl. Mr. Brainwash was now not just commenting on pop culture, he had become a part of it.

"MR BRAINWASH IS A FORCE OF NATURE, HE'S A PHENOMENON, AND I DON'T MEAN THAT IN A GOOD WAY." - BANKS

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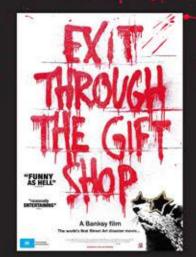
Miami Herald

"MAD SPINNING TOP OF A MOVIE"

Entertainment Weekly

"PERVERSELY BRILLIANT"

Time Out NY



The film not only became an instant cult classic but was also considered as one of the best movies of 2010, winning several awards and being nominated for an ACADEMY AWARD[®].

Winner 'Best Documentary' Independent Spirit Awards 2011
Winner 'Best Nonfiction Feature' Cinema Eye Awards 2011
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Winner 'Best Documentary' New York Film Critics Online Award 2010

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Winner 'Best Documentary' Austin Film Critics Association Awards 2010

Winner 'Best First Feature' LA Weekly/Village Voice Film Poll 2010

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"SUBVERSIVE, PROVOCATIVE & UNEXPECTED" Los Angeles Times

"RELENTLESSLY ENTERTAINING"

NY Times







2010 saw the release of one of the most talked-about documentaries in years, Exit Through the Gift Shop. Using footage shot by Mr. Brainwash himself, and directed by fellow street artist, Banksy, Exit Through the Gift Shop followed the evolution of street art, with Mr. Brainwash at the center of it all. The film was nominated for an Academy Award and received numerous prizes, including an Independent Spirit Award for 'Best Documentary.' The success of Exit Through the Gift Shop catapulted Mr. Brainwash to worldwide fame as he persisted in breaking down pop art's walls.









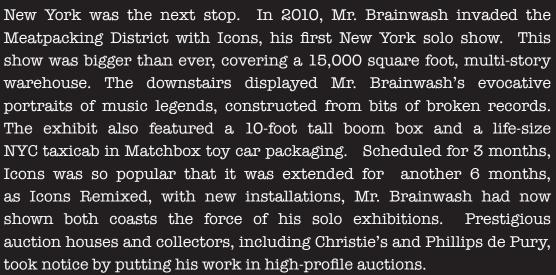






























Mr. Brainwash then set off to Miami for

one of the art world's most respected Art Fair, Art Basel. Without any

Brainwash took over a 25,000 square foot building in South Beach with a colorful pop up show entitled, Under Construction. The show was his trademark style, playful and positive, but on a huge scale. Once the show opened, it exploded, becoming the

announcement or notice,

must-see attraction at Art Basel.



























Mr. Brainwash continued to bring his art all over the world, making his Canadian debut at the Toronto International Film Festival in 2011. Mr. Brainwash's installations were placed all over the city. They included his signature 8-foot tall spray can sculptures, each one a different film genre, and life-size Canadian Mounties cutouts, armed with boom mics and cameras. In addition, he created all of the Street marketing material for the Grace Kelly TIFF exhibition: "Movie star to Princess". Everywhere Mr. Brainwash went, he was able to create a pop art conversation with the city he was creating for.

















Mr. Brainwash headed back to Miami for Art Basel in 2011 with a new show, Untitled. Occupying the same South Beach space, he constructed a vibrant world of fiberglass sculpture and mixed media canvases. Again, the show was a huge hit, attracting big collectors, worldwide galleries and celebrities, it defines Mr Brainwash as one of the most popular and relevant artist of today.





























As the year came to a close, Mr. Brainwash returned to the home of his first solo show, Los Angeles, with Art Show 2011. This show was his biggest yet, taking over an 80,000 square foot building in the center of the city. Each day, thousands of people flocked to see this thrilling monster of a show, which embraced Los Angeles, the epicenter of pop.



In addition to being able to attend the show, Mr. Brainwash also gave artists the opportunity to be a part of the show. For the exhibition, he donated over 20,000 square feet of space to showcase donated works from around the globe. Artists were invited to mail in their art or install the artworks themselves.































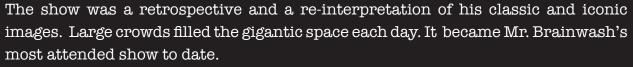








When the Summer Olympics arrived in 2012, and the whole world had its eye on London, Mr. Brainwash made his UK debut by invading The Old Sorting Post Office, a colossal space, steps from the British Museum. His love of British pop culture icons rang out through the streets, as Mr. Brainwash adorned the side of the Sorting Office with a 6 story tall Queen Elizabeth II, in her coronation attire, holding a Union Jack spray can .

























By 2013, Mr. Brainwash was truly one of the most in-demand artists, worldwide. He continued to play with pop culture and designed the décor for Seth McFarlane's exclusive Oscar Party. He adorned the party space with his Rockwell, Botero, and Degas re-imaginations, as well as playful, large-scale sculptures.

2013 also saw Mr. Brainwash's triumphant return to Art Basel. Taking up residency in Gale South Beach on Collins Avenue, a hotel on one of the most iconic streets in Miami, Mr. Brainwash staged a pop art takeover by installing large-scale oil paintings and sculptures, including a 3 story tall Mona Lisa with a Mohawk.

In addition to the art and film communities, Mr. Brainwash is also an in-demand name in the music industry. He has designed art for the album campaigns of some of the world's most influential artists: Red Hot Chili Peppers, The Black Keys, Rick Ross and Michael Jackson's posthume album Xscape to name a few. In 2012, to celebrate Mr. Brainwash's London art show, David Guetta played the opening night party. The show also featured a 12 foot tall portrait of David Guetta, done by Mr. Brainwash, which read, "Music is my art." David Guetta's music video for Metropolis, directed by Mr. Brainwash and co-produced by Nicky Romero, currently has over 12 million views on Youtube. In 2013, in collaboration with the Hard Rock Hotel, Mr. Brainwash attacked the pulse of the music industry: Coachella. He adorned the festival with towering murals, adding an additional element of surprise and wonder and solidifying his already strong connection to music.

Madonna approached him, again, and asked Mr. Brainwash to take part in another collaboration, this time the opening of her gym, Hard Candy Fitness in Toronto. The Hard Candy Fitness opening featured the live on-site creation of an 11 by 30-foot Madonna mural, designed by Mr. Brainwash.





















Mr. Brainwash continued to make his mark on the diverse art and music scenes in 2014, including a colorful, viral performance with pop sensation Rita Ora on "The Tonight Show with Jimmy Fallon." Mr. Brainwash also merged his passions for art, music, film and philanthropy by directing a video for "Divine Sorrow," by Wyclef Jean, featuring Avicii for Coca-Cola and the (RED) campaign, which aims to raise awareness and money for the Global Fund's efforts to virtually eliminate mother-to-child transmission of HIV.

Mr. Brainwash also collaborated with Mercedes-Benz for The Evolution Tour, 8 intimate concert experiences, across the country featuring artists such as Alabama Shakes and Mayer Hawthorne. At each stop of the Evolution Tour, Mr. Brainwash created a one-of-a-kind Mercedes-Benz 2015 GLA in his signature, splashy colorful style.

In honor of September 11, Mr. Brainwash wanted to show New York the love he had for this special city by creating the biggest mural installation he's ever attempted. A tribute to the victims of 9/11, the mural covered a full city block, facing the new One World Trade Center. The art piece provided native New Yorkers and tourists the chance to reflect on this tragedy and take pride in the people that make New York such a unique place.

In late 2014, Mr. Brainwash partnered with Swiss luxury watchmaker Hublot for a host of exciting fashion collaborations. To launch the opening of the new Hublot Galerie in Miami's Design District, Mr. Brainwash created a one-of-a-kind Big Bang Unico timepiece and watch box. Mr. Brainwash was also behind an exclusive installation at Hublot's Bal Harbour Boutique, in celebration of Miami's Contemporary Art Week, wrapping the store's façade in Mr. Brainwash's vibrant mix of pop art and street art.

















Mr. Brainwash's adventure into fashion continued, collaborating with Sunglass Hut for their Artist Series. The collection was comprised of 250 one-of-a-kind designs rendered on Ray-Ban's iconic Wayfarer, Clubmaster, Aviator and Round models. The sunglasses were packaged in a unique painted case placed in a custom-made spray can design in Mr. Brainwash's signature style. Sunglass Hut's flagship store, located at 496 Broadway in New York, was taken over by Mr. Brainwash, and featured a mock studio with some of his well-known works.

To celebrate LA Pride, Mr. Brainwash constructed a large heart, out of recycled books and wood and covered in a spectacular shade of bright pink. The sculpture stands over 6 feet tall and is currently on display through January 2016 inside the City of West Hollywood's public library. He also contributed one of his iconic Life is Beautiful sculptures in partnership with the Arts and Cultural Affairs Commission in the City of West Hollywood.

In Fall of 2015, Mr. Brainwash returned to New York City to create another September 11 memorial mural. The mural once again covered the wall of the Century 21 department store, facing One World Trade Center. This colorful and reflective piece proclaimed in giant pink letters "NEW YORK IS BEAUTIFUL," acting as a beacon for native New Yorkers and tourists alike.









During the Fall of 2015, Mr. Brainwash created an animated video, which occupied Coca-Cola's world-famous Times Square billboard space, below the Times Square ball. Mr. Brainwash will return to that Times Square space in December 2015, with a new animated video chronicling the company's rich and storied history with Santa Claus, which started in 1931.







Mr. Brainwash was also a judge for the #MashupCoke project which challenged artists, designers and illustrators around the world to recreate and reimagine the classic glass, contoured, Coca-Cola bottle. Select pieces were featured in The Coca-Cola Bottle: An American Icon at 100, an exhibit at the High Museum in Atlanta. During the exhibition's run, Mr. Brainwash collaborated with Coca-Cola's Global Design team and Speto Art to create a canvas 20-feet long, celebrating the bottle's impact on the history of design.

Mr. Brainwash has also worked closely with Coca-Cola's project (RED), whose mission is to end the transmission of HIV from moms to their babies, world-wide. Mr. Brainwash created a limited-edition screenprint, with proceeds going to (RED), which featured the iconic rock band, Queen. The print sold out in minutes. Mr. Brainwash collaborated with (RED) again, this time on a music video. "Divine Sorrow," by Wyclef Jean, featuring Avicii, which was directed by Mr. Brainwash and featured his trademark street art style, with a focus on the mission of (RED).











2016 was an exciting year for Mr. Brainwash. He collaborated with EDM star Kygo for the marketing campaign and album cover of his latest album, "Cloud 9." Of the many promotional materials created, one was a billboard created for Kygo's performance at the Barclays Center in New York City.

To celebrate International Women's Day, Mr. Brainwash unveiled a series of murals at Union Market in Washington, D.C. with First Lady Michelle Obama with the Let Girls Learn event. The Girls' Lounge, a female leadership group, was the event sponsor and commissioned the Let Girls Learn themed mural.

For Art Basel Hong Kong, Mr. Brainwash set up his own "Life is Beautiful" solo exhibit. MBW teamed up with Lan Kwai Fong, one of Hong Kong's biggest lifestyle company with investments in restaurants, bars and real estate, to host a cocktail party that ended with a live-painting performance.

Mr. Brainwash was one of 100 artists invited by The Brain Project, a program by the Baycrest Foundation in Toronto, to customize their brain sculpture as a way to raise awareness, support and research into aging and brain health, to be displayed in different venues across Toronto. The public was invited to vote for their favorite designs and the sculptures were sold at an auction with the proceeds going to Baycrest Health Sciences for funding.

During the 2016 Summer Olympics, Mr. Brainwash met with soccer superstar Pelé in Rio de Janeiro. Mr. Brainwash created a special print, for their meeting, depicting Pelé in the middle of one of his iconic bicycle kicks. Pelé, who is considered by many to be the best soccer player of all time, participated in this project with Mr. Brainwash to celebrate the Olympics in his home country. Pelé took the time to sign each print and and stamped his thumbprint on each print, adding an even more personal signature from the hand of a sports legend. He also joined MBW in one of his signature art styles by splattering paint on the artworks, creating this playful collaboration between athletics and art.



















Some of the highlights include a massive 15ft tall wooden AT-AT from the Star Wars movie franchise, a room full of hanging vintage cameras, and a white room splashed with pink paint. Large mixed media murals were also on display showcasing Mr. Brainwash's iconic artwork and larger then life scope.

Mr. Brainwash collaborated with musicians from the entertainment group YG, the label-home of K-Pop artists Big Bang and 2NE1 to name a couple, to create one of a kind artworks. PSY felt so inspired by Mr. Brainwash's art that he shot his music video for his latest single, "I Luv It", during the exhibition.

Families and people of all ages were encouraged to attend the free exhibit and experience Mr. Brainwash for the first time.



















THE SUNDAY TIMES

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Mr Brainwash (MBW) a guy that is quickly becoming one of our favorite emerging artists, just attacked this New York City shutter space with his iconographic imagery, and then added some daubs of paint (okay fine... maybe more than just a daub) for a colorful effect. Striking, no?



The latest Banksy hoax? A real artist

A movie by Banksy has transformed a French street artist into an art-world sensation. But is this a prank too far, asks Tom Shone

one said. 'He has the right connections Certainly, a walk around the 15,000sq f pace reveals plenty of red stickers beside are uniture, some are buying just in case

He waves to his helpers scurrying this way and that around big blow-up sculp-

A few weeks ago, on Valentine's Day, a new show of his work opened in the Meatpack-ing District in New York to a mosture of Tashn and art crowd sipping vodka drinks served by leggy models in Afro wigs. If the m was intended as a satire on the superficulity of the contemporary art scene, the gover the heads of the buy ers forking out \$50,000 to \$200,000 a canvas. "It doesn't matter if he is good or bad."

Michael Jackson, David Bowle, Bill Gutes and the like, priced from \$10,000 to \$40,000 One of the larger works - a giant English. "People want to know; am I real! Am I joking? Am I Banksy? Is it a whole joke by Banksy? But the more they see me

"A truck could hit me tomorrow," he says in me. Sanlov knew this. That is why he

'A truck could hit me But I am unstoppable

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An Interview with Mr. Brainwash I choose Mr. Brainwash like I would

choose something else, but I thought that everything is about brainwashing in a way, you know-every images. I think life is about brainwashing, like when you go somewhere, you drink a chocolate in the morning, your mother brings you this yellow box and you get brainwashed from it. I got brainwashed from what I see. I thought it was a cool name and I don't know, I just like the sound of it, and I guess it has a meaning with what I do... When I decided to fall back in the art world, I didn't

BlackBook

want to use my name, Thierry Guetta, because it was like we were in the 2000s, people use always something, like a brand, like a name, so you had to find a name, a brand. A name that we present to you, but not your personal name. And I just took the name from the past, Mr. Brainwash. I had it, it was there, I knew that one day I would do something with it, and it came alive.

-Ann Binlot, February 22, 2010

Artist MBW Is Selling the Mona Lisa

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Nothing says Christmas like bar codes and pastiche. In a possible nod to the rampant consumerism (and joy, or whatever) that the holidays bring, the Mona Lisa gets its own UPC symbol, courtesy of L.A.-based, Warholian street artist MBW. -Rachel Wolff



Gen Art, Black Eyed Peas' will.i.am A huge Picasso hangs over the entrance of the industrial space. No reference to the

A different, if fleeting, portrait of MLK

throw a stylish party for 'Worlds on Fire' exhibition in L.A.

"If you let it exist, it becomes art. People see it,

Mickey Mouse carrying a bucket of pink paint.

Mr. Brainwash

Mr Brainwash says in front of a 3 meter Art is to make it exist: the writing behind the Disney icon still looks fresh. Thierry Guetta's hands, aka Mr Brainwash are all sprayed with pink and blue. His 15000 square meters of

pays tribute to the undisputed queen of his Icons: Madonna.

"When her manager asked me to create the cover for her latest album, I started working

name of the gallery, just a brush stroke in

There are Woody Allen, the Kiss, Mick

Jagger, Salvador Dali, Kate Moss...

block capitals: Mr Brainwash Presents Icons.

A pop symposium which reminds of Andy

Warhol, where among rock stars and super-

models, actors and artists, Mr Brainwash

Mr. Brainwash Bombs L.A.

Afficionados of Los Angeles street art might recognize the now-familiar work of one "Mr. Brainwash," a.k.a. MBW. a.k.a. Thierry Guetta, a French filmmaker turned graffiti provocateur. Over the past few months, Mr. Brainwash images have become ubiquitous in greater Hollywood, evolving from the Banksy-style black-and-white stencils of a guy wielding a movie camera to repurposed reproductions of Elvis, Hendrix, Gandhi and other cultural icons, including the giant spray-paint can rebranded, à la Andy, as Campbell's Tomato Spray, These MBW specials are wheatpasted up and down the La Brea corridor, the Miracle Mile, Melrose, Fairfax . . . anyplace with an unadorned utility box or blank wall.

Now Guetta is about to unleash an art happening at Columbia Square so audacious in scale and ambition that it will either make him an instant art star or an object of derision, a high-profile lesson in the perils of the vanity DIY spectacle. Either way, the opening party is going to be fabu-

Shelley Leopold, Jun 12 2008

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Mr Brainwash makes UK show debt London

By Kev Geoghegan



LA-based artist Thierry Guetta, aka Mr Brainwash, made famous in the Banksy documentary Exit Through The Gift Shop, talks about putting on his first UK show in London.

When halfway through the documentary Exit Through The Gift Shop. British graffiti artist Banksy turned the camera on to amateur film-maker Thierry Guetta, an overnight star of the Los Angeles art scene was born.

Despite having no real artistic background, other than a cousin who happens to be a French street artist, the vintage clothing store manager held his first show under his new moniker Mr Brainwash

Mr. Brainwash Stages Exhibit in Miami

MIAMI - Pap artist Mr. Brainwash opened a major exhibition today introduc ing new work and subjects, as well as a more sophisticated approach to his moved-media "street art" portraits. Last week several outlets reported recr ing a press release indicating that Thierry Guetta, the French born, Los Anes-based artist known as "Mr. Brainwash," would stage a solo show during Art-Basel Miami Beach. The exhibition opened to the public at 5:00 p.m.

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MR. BRAINWASH - ART & CULTURE INTERVIEW

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The art of street art: Mr. Brainwash

MR. BRAINWASH: "IF I BELIEVE IT, IT'S ART FOR

Forbes

In The Studio With Mr. Brainwash



Much has been said about Thierry Guetta, aka pop artist Mr. Brainwash.

Guetta became famous through his association with vaunted street art creators Banksy and Shepard Fairey, a link which was chronicled in the 2010 documentary Exit Through The Gift Shop.

A diminutive Frenchman unmistakable in his fedora and beard, Guetta has lived in Los Angeles since he was 15, shortly after his mother died and his father moved the family stateside. Guetta worked as a club promoter and erstwhile vintage curator in a string of clothing shops during the 1990s. Along with his brothers - his father had died after returning to Franch - Guetta started fashioning new clothes out of the old ones. He also started filming everything in sight.

Details of his rapid ascent from filmmaker to street artist to commercial artist are well-known (if you haven't see the film, I highly recommend it). His art is characterized by bright colors and images familiar to popular culture: Andy Warhol's famous screens transposed over each other, repetitive shots of Madonna in full 1980s glory, Charlie Chaplin silhouetted against a graffiti-splayed wall.

In 2008, Guetta held his first show-Life is Beautiful-at CBS Studios on Sunset Boulevard. Along with the usual rainbow of paintings and posters, it featured fantastical sculptures like a 20-foot robot made of old televisions and a pyramid made from 20,000 books. It attracted more than 30,000 visitors over several months of

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Mr. Brainwash at Art Basel 2011 Recap

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"Mr Brainwash NY Opening" on BBC World News

To Watch:

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