

## **Brian Brooks**

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## **Performances**

- 2017      Filming Time-Lapse Dances around my neighborhood, nightly April-, Oakland, CA**
- 2016      Plein Air painting around my neighborhood, nightly June-Dec, Oakland, CA**

## **Solo Exhibitions**

- 2016      Mermaids, U & I Liquors, Oakland, CA**
- 2015      Mixed Up, U & I Liquors, Oakland, CA**
- 2013      Now That Looks Like Fun, The Hive Gallery, Phoenix, AZ**
- 2011      *Dogs, Rock Paper Scissors*, Durham, NC**

## **Exhibitions**

- 2015      Hang Together, Brian Brooks & Edward Hermanson, Willo Gallery, Phoenix, AZ**
- 2014      Smokey's Tangle Takeover, Interface Gallery, Oakland, CA**
- 2012      Mutual Friends, Present Company, Brooklyn, New York**
- 2012      What May Happen Photo Booth, Smokey's Tangle, Oakland, CA**
- 2011      *Conceptual Pizza Party*, Smokey's Tangle, Oakland, CA**
- 2011      *April Fools May / Y Can't I Be U*, Smokey's Tangle, Oakland, CA**
- 2011      *Reflection Projection*, Smokey's Tangle, Oakland, CA**
- 2011      *Temescal Nightlights*, Smokey's Tangle, Oakland, CA**
- 2010      *Patriots Portraits*, Smokey's Tangle, Oakland, CA**
- 2010      *Imagination Graduation Photo Station*, Smokey's Tangle, Oakland, CA**
- 2010      *Mouse Party* Smokey's Tangle, Oakland, CA**
- 2010      *April Pools*, Smokey's Tangle, Oakland, CA**
- 2010      *Valentines Day*, Smokey's Tangle, Oakland, CA**
- 2009      *Santiña*, Smokey's Tangle, Oakland, CA**
- 2010      Love, group show As Is Ex, Oakland, CA**
- 2009      *Shopping Mall*, Smokey's Tangle, Oakland, CA**
- 2009      *Michael Jackson & The Seeds Memorial*, Smokey's Tangle, Oakland, CA**
- 2009      *Haunted Horse I - IV*, Smokey's Tangle, Oakland, CA**
- 2009      *Wild & Crazy Prairie*, Smokey's Tangle, Oakland, CA**
- 2009      *Beatlenuts '09*, Smokey's Tangle, Oakland, CA**
- 2009      *We All Live In Space*, Smokey's Tangle, Oakland, CA**

- 2009 *Imitation Zoo*, Smokey's Tangle, Oakland, CA
- 2007 *Strange Beasts*, 111 Minna, San Francisco, CA
- 2005 Tickle Attack Gallery, Oakland, CA
- 2005 Emily Strange Artists, Rite Spot, San Francisco, CA
- 1998 Televised Revolution, San Francisco, CA
- 1997 *Queezenart* Beerness Gallery, San Francisco CA
- 1997 6"x4" Four Walls Gallery San Francisco CA
- 1997 Diego Rivera Gallery, San Francisco Art Institute, CA
- 1995 Sobourn Gallery, Phoenix, AZ
- 1995 *Average Person*, performance Metropophobia, Phoenix, AZ

## Bibliography

- Cool Coloring Books* series 1-5, Smokey's Tangle, 2015
- What If ? Volume 3*, Smokey's Tangle 2015
- What If ? Volume 2*, Smokey's Tangle 2014
- Adventures Of Everything*, drawings, Smokey's Tangle 2013
- Radd/Badd Tattoos*, comic, Smokey's Tangle 2013
- Earth Messages*, 36 watercolor drawings, Smokey's Tangle 2012
- Rock n Roll Coloring Books [Anthology]*, Smokey's Tangle 2012
- We Like Bugs & Books Like That [Anthology]*, Smokey's Tangle 2012
- What If ? Volume 1*, Smokey's Tangle 2012
- DOGS*, painting by Brian Brooks, Smokey's Tangle 2011
- Smokey's Tangle Photo Booth #1, Smokey's Tangle 2010
- Oopsy Daisy's Bad Bad Day*, Chronicle Books, 2002

Emily the Strange with Cosmic Debris Etc., Inc.

Co-Writer, Co-Artist, credited as Brian Brooks and/or Cosmic Debris.

Graphic Design (sometimes credited as "Pillowgoat")

- Emily the Strange The Rock Issue*, Darkhorse Comics 2007
- Emily the Strange Lost Dark and Bored*, Darkhorse Comics
- Emily the Strange Seeing is Deceiving*, Chronicle Books 2006
- Emily the Strange Dark Issue*, Darkhorse Comics 2006 [The Dark Issue](#)
- Emily the Strange Boring Issue*, Darkhorse Comics 2005 [The Boring Issue](#)
- Emily the Strange Lost Issue*, Darkhorse Comics 2005 [The Lost Issue](#)
- Emily the Strange Good Nightmares*, Chronicle Books, 2004
- Emily the Strange Secret Book of Strange*, Chronicle Books, 2003

*Oopsy Daisy Trading Cards*, Chronicle Books 2003

*Emily the Strange*, [Emily the Strange](#), Chronicle Books, 2001

#### Comics appear in

LA RECORD	2013-current
Savage Henry magazine	2016-current

#### Artwork appears In

<i>Art of Emily the Strange II</i> ,	Darkhorse Books	2017
<i>Art of Emily the Strange</i> ,	Darkhorse Books	2010
Picture Perfect	RotoVision	2003
Pictoplasma 2	Die Gestalten Verlag	2003
Pictoplasma	Die Gestalten Verlag	2001

#### Animation

Boyz on Da Run

2005 (Shorty McShorts Series, Disney Channel)

Co-Creator [You Tube](#)

#### Filmography

Director, series of short films edited in camera.

*Close To Heaven* 12 min., 2008

*Trivial Affair* 16 min., 2008

*Old Tawny* 24 min., 2007

*The Glogger* 16 min., 2007

*The Celebritant* 22 min., 2007

*The Cruise* 23 min, 2005

*Whepatitis* 34 min, 2005

#### Appears in

*Jungle Jezebel* 49 min, George Kuchar, 1994

*Breakfast with Idiots* 37 min, Chris Byrd, 1992

#### Awards

2011 [Brian Brooks Appreciation Day](#) I & II, Deep Oldies Radio Station. Phoenix, AZ

2010 "Most Memorable News Release" Smokey's Tangle, Editors Pick, Oakland Magazine

1996 Bronze Roller Award, San Francisco Art Institute, San Francisco, CA  
1996 Works Under Pressure Award, San Francisco Art Institute, San Francisco, CA  
1995 Sobel Merit Award, San Francisco Art Institute, San Francisco, CA  
1995 Book Show Award, San Francisco Art Institute, San Francisco, CA  
1994 Spring Show Award, San Francisco Art Institute, San Francisco, CA  
1994 Book Show Award, for *Cute Things and Numbers*, San Francisco Art Institute  
1993 2nd Place 2-D design Phoenix Community College Spring Art Exhibition  
1990 Outstanding Artist, Central High School, San Francisco, CA  
1986 Best Sense of Humor, Male Recipient, Madison Meadows Middle School, San Francisco, CA  
1983 Ladmo Bag awarded for drawing of Gerald from Wallace & Ladmo, KPHO, San Francisco, CA

#### Other

2010 recorded *Deep Oldies* message airs on Deepoldies.com

#### Press

2009 Woo, Stu ["Oakland's Temescal Goes From Rundown to Reborn, How Local Merchants Found Success After Years of Work to Attract New Businesses and Reshape Their Neighborhood"](#) December 3, 2009.  
2007 Virella, Kelly. ["The Strange Drawings of Brian Brooks, The artist behind Emily the Strange attempts to exorcise his creation from his art."](#) Eastbay Express Feature, October 31, 2007.  
2004 Fader magazine, 23  
2001 Smith, Brian. ["Zine Buddha, Local artist Brian Brooks watches his work go from sticky barroom floors to flying off international clothing racks"](#). Phoenix New Times Feature, May 10 2001.  
2001 Searleman, Eric. [The It Girl: As Emily Flourishes, Millions Turn and Face The Strange.](#) Arizona Republic, March 29 2001.  
1999 Athitakis, Mark. ["Riff Raff, Morrissey Gets Colored Black on the Outside, Because Black Is How He Feels on the Inside"](#), SF Weekly, October 13 1999.  
1993 Baird, Robert. [New Releases From the Desert: Breakfast With Idiots S/T release](#), Phoenix New Times, September 1, 1993

#### Professional

2010-2015 *Co-Creator, Designer, Temescal First Friday, Temescal Art Hop, Oakland, CA*

**2009-2010**      *Gallery Member, Oakland Art Murmur, Oakland, CA*  
**2009-current**    *Co-Owner, with Emily Wick, Smokey's Tangle Studio & Gallery, Oakland, CA*  
**2003-2006**      *Art Director, Cosmic Debris Etc., Inc., San Francisco, Oakland, CA*  
**1999-2006**      *Artist, Writer, Development, Cosmic Debris Etc., Inc., Oakland, CA*

**Education**

**1996**              **BFA Printmaking, San Francisco Art Institute, San Francisco, CA**  
**1990-1993**      **Phoenix Community College, Phoenix, AZ**