



# Gary Taxali Fine Art & Illustration

## ABOUT THE ARTIST

### GARY TAXALI

Gary Taxali is an award winning illustrator, artist, author and toy designer having won over 500 awards (including a recent 2009 Grammy nomination for the album artwork for Aimee Mann's recent album).

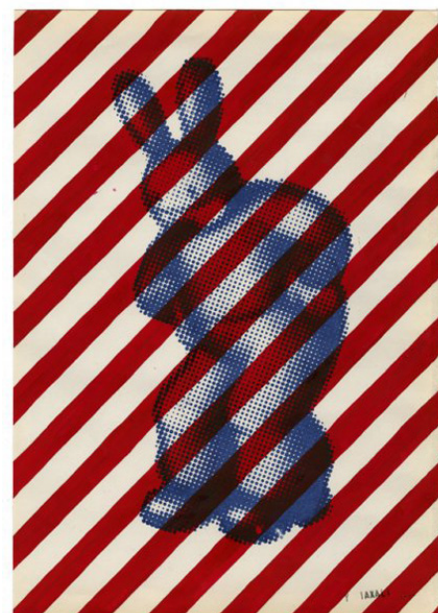
His work has appeared in many major magazines such as The New York Times, Newsweek, GQ and others.

He has exhibited and sold his merchandise in many galleries and museums throughout North America and Europe including The Jonathan Levine Gallery in New York. Some of these include The Andy Warhol Museum (Philadelphia), The Victoria Albert Museum (London), The Whitney Museum (NY) and Madre Museum of Naples.

In 2005, he launched his first vinyl toy, The Toy Monkey, which included a special edition along with a silkscreen print commissioned by The Whitney Museum of American Art in New York City. This led Gary to create his own toy company, Chump Toys, which recently saw the release of his OH NO and OH OH vinyl figures.

Aside from his gallery shows and illustration work, Gary also devotes a portion of his time teaching and lecturing at various arts organizations and schools such as OCAD University (Toronto, Canada), The Art Director's Club of Houston (Houston, USA), Dankmarks Designskole (Copenhagen, Denmark) and Istituto Europeo Di Design (Rome, Italy). He is a Founding Member of IPA (The Illustrators' Partnership of America) and sits on the Advisory Board of 3x3: The Magazine of Contemporary Illustration.

Gary has also juried many student and professional competitions including The Society of Illustrators, The National Magazine Awards, The Dallas Society of Visual Communications and 3x3: The Magazine of Contemporary Illustration. Gary created the cover art and inside illustrations for Aimee Mann's latest album @#%&\*! Smilers, which won a 2009 Grammy Award Nomination for Best Package Design. zine Awards, The Dallas Society of Visual Communications and 3x3: The Magazine of Contemporary Illustration. Gary created the cover art and inside illustrations for Aimee Mann's latest album @#%&\*! Smilers, which won a 2009 Grammy Award Nomination for Best Package Design. (Copenhagen, Denmark) and Istituto Europeo Di Design (Rome, Italy). He is a Founding Member of IPA (The Illustrators' Partnership of America) and sits on the Advisory Board of 3x3: The Magazine of Contemporary Illustration. album @#%&\*! Smilers, which won a 2009 Grammy Award Nomination for Best Package Design.



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