



Van Der Plas Gallery is a contemporary NYC art gallery located on the Lower East Side of Manhattan specializing in Outsider and Street Art. With an emphasis on contemporary figuration and abstraction, the gallery represents artists whose work is born of an authentic vision. This Orchard Street gallery has the inside track to 1980's New York Street Art like no other in downtown New York City. In recent years, most of the real innovators and outdoor conceptual mavericks of the 1980's street art movement have begun to cluster around this exhibition space.

Adriaan Van der Plas has brought much of the lost history of street art during the 1980's East Village art scene back to life via the walls of his gallery in group and solo exhibition settings.

Van Der Plas represents artists such as Jean Michel Basquiat's partner in graffiti, Al Diaz; 1980's outdoor spray-paint installation artist and street art curator, Scot Borofsky; notorious downtown art-world scamp and Van Gogh of the East Village, Kevin Wendal aka "FA-Q" (1956-2011); subway-card collagist and Artista de la Calle Carlos Pintos; graffiti/street art/fine art fusionist, Will Power. The gallery has also occasionally exhibited work by the actual inventor of street art, Richard Hambleton (1952-2017); 1980's sign-pole artist, Bob Dombrowski; hammer and chisel carver of sidewalks, Ken Hiratsuka; and "COP-SHOT-DREAMS" street collagist, Steve Hagglund, along with early N.Y. Graffiti writers and artists from the "Rivington School". Other gallery artists include Argentinian art brute/neo-expressionist, Alejandro Caiazza, and the ever quirky and autobiographical Canadian multi-medium artist, Jason Mclean.

Austrian native, Adriaan Van Der Plas, opened his first gallery in Gramercy Park in 1986. In 1992, he opened his gallery "Adriaan," on the South Street Seaport, before moving to his current location in 2013. Located on historical Orchard Street in Manhattan's Lower East Side, Van Der Plas is within walking distance to Soho, Chinatown, Little Italy, and important cultural institutions such as the Tenement Museum and the New Museum. The gallery's operating hours are 12pm-5pm seven days a week. Van Der Plas is also open until 8pm every third Thursday of the month for the Lower East Side's "Gallery Walk."