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BIOGRAPHY

Buhle Nkalashe is a painter who incorporates mixed media like Oil & Acrylic paint, & Oil pastels. Nkalashe's work mainly consists of portraiture and abstract paintings. Fascinated by the idea of how patterns and color can be a symbol of identity, Buhle's art documents how African contemporary culture has evolved over the years to proudly incorporate traditional symbols that speak of its heritage.

Nkalashe studio is based at the Airport Industrial and he resides in Gordons Bay. He has been painting for nearly 10 years and had his debut solo, The New African, at Youngblood Africa Gallery (2018) He also participated in several group exhibitions in Cape Town & Johannesburg, to name a few, Home is Where the Art is, Zeitz MOCAA (2020), Turbine Art Fair (2019) with Red Room Contemporary Gallery. He has been featured in various Saatchi catalogues and collections. "Best Young Artists to Collect, Saatchi Art (September), Online. In 2019 collaborated with a menswear clothing brand, Fields Store (Cape Town). Nkalashe published four collection books and in 2021, completed the Zanele Muholi residency. He has an upcoming group show New Africa at Salon Mondial Freilager-Platz 10, 4142 Münchenstein, Switzerland. He has also recently participated in the Cape Town Digital Art Fair event, Art X Lagos and the Turbine Art Fair in 2021.

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EDUCATION

2018 Bachelor of Arts, Communication Design, Cape Town Creative Academy. Cape Town, South Africa.

2016 Graphic Design Certificate, Basics of Graphic Design, Learn to Earn. Cape Town, South Africa.

AWARDS

2017 Sanlam Potrait Top 100, Cape Town, South Africa.

PUBLICATIONS

2021 Leap of Faith – Stellenbosch Visio - Summer 2021/ 2022, pg. 2 (November 2021)

2021 Wie war's mal mit – Afrinova – In conversation with Keabetswe Boccomino, Online

2021 The Best Address – Buhle Nkalashe (ART), Online

2021 Viva Most Magazine – New Africa Exhibition, Online

2021 Artistic Impressions, The World of Interiors pg.174 (March 2021)

2020 Best Young Artists to Collect, Saatchi Art (September), Online.

2020 Navigating life through Art, Afrinovart, Online (3 May).

2020 Saatchi Art Fall Vol. 2 printed & digital catalogue.

2019 Artist to watch: Buhle Nkalashe, 2018 Sowetan Live, SA.

2018 The New African – Solo exhibition, Catalogue.

2018 The New African – A solo exhibition, Between 10 & 5, SA.

2018 Artist paints his way to greatness, Vukani Newspaper, SA.

2018 In Conversation with Buhle Nkalashe, ART TIMES Magazine, SA.

RESIDENCIES

2021 Zanele Muholi Residency. Johannesburg, SA (March).

COLLABORATIONS

2020 FW20 Menswear collection – FIELDS STORE, Cape Town, South Africa.

ART FAIRS

2021 Art X Lagos. WORLDART Gallery (Online).

2021 Turbine Art Fair. WORLDART Gallery (Sep).

2021 Cape Town Digital Art Fair. WORLDART Gallery, Online (17 - 19 Sep).

2020 Latitude Art Fair. ODA CT Gallery Online (29 June).

2020 AT THE ART FAIR. Outdoor art display, Greenpoint – Brooklyn, NYC (30 April – 3 MAY).

2019 Turbine Art Fair. Red Room Gallery (July).

GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2021 Through the window, Gallery 2, (November)

2021 Major Figures, Saatchi Online, (October)

2021 Winter '21, Daor Contemporary, Cape Town, SA

2021 in and of culmination, ArtistLab, Latitudes Online

2021 The New Africa, Salon Mondial Freilager-Platz 10, Munchenstein, Switzerland

2020 SA Unmasked – Chasing the rainbow again, Red Room Gallery, SA.

2020 Home Is Where The Art Is, Zeitz MOCAA, Cape Town, SA.

2020 Highlights From The Future, Lizamore and Associates, SA.

2019 Africa's Art Collective Seasons, Julie Miller Institute, SA.

2019 Palate, Plate, Palette, Rust en Vrede Gallery, SA.

2019 Sub 30, Woordfees, Stellenbosch University, SA.

2019 Artist Proof Studio & Red Room collaboration, Cape Town, SA.

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2018 Vuleka Competition Exhibition, Artb Gallery, Bellville, SA.

2018 Tuffo, Youngblood Africa, Cape Town, SA.

2018 Stories, Youngblood Africa, Cape Town, SA.

2018 Emerging Artist Exhibition, City of Cape Town, SA.

2017 Naked Art, Youngblood Africa, Cape Town, SA.

2017 Sanlam Portrait 100, University of Cape Town and Rust en Vrede Gallery, SA.

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2021 DOPAMINE, WORLDART Gallery, Cape Town, SA

2020 AUTHENTIC, Youngblood Africa, Cape Town, SA

2019 REAWAKENING, Youngblood Africa, Cape Town, SA.

2020 UNKNOWN, Gallery 2, Johannesburg,

2018 THE NEW AFRICAN, Youngblood Africa, Cape Town, SA.

COMMISSIONS

2021 Commissioned Artwork – National Museum Collection, Bloemfontein, South Africa.

2019 Commissioned Artwork for Credo – Johnson & Johnson, Johannesburg, South Africa.