

Elliott Ross Stokes

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Elliott Stokes (B. 1990, New Orleans, LA.) After studying at Southeastern Louisiana University, he graduated in 2015 with a BA in Studio Art. During this time, he began researching and investigating the detritus of industry in southeastern Louisiana, locating his studio in a former oil distribution warehouse. He then spent time as a continuing graduate student, studying foreign policy and history across Europe. He is currently an MFA candidate with the University of Illinois in Urbana-Champaign, with a target graduation in May 2020. He has exhibited nationally, including *Wet Paint MFA Biennial* and *Visions of Venus* with Zhou B. Arts Center in Chicago and *Constructing the Break* at New Orleans Contemporary Arts Center.

EDUCATION:

2020

- MFA candidate (2020), University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

2015

- Bachelor of Arts, Art Major, Southeastern Louisiana University, Hammond, LA
- Political Science & History Survey, (Postgraduate Continuing Studies, Summer Session, Salzburg, Austria), Southeastern Louisiana University, Hammond, LA

SELECTED EXHIBITIONS:

2020

- *MFA Thesis Exhibition*, Krannert Art Museum, Urbana-Champaign, IL
- *Memory Exhibition* (MFA Group Show), Tube Factory Artspace/Big Car Collaborative, Indianapolis, IN

2019

- *Water Shapes*, Fed Galleries, Grand Rapids, MI
- *Fall 2019 Graduate Student Exhibition*, Link Gallery, Urbana-Champaign, IL
- *West of Wicked* (MFA Group Show), East Wall Gallery, Urbana-Champaign, IL
- *Art + Design Alumni Exhibition*, Southeastern Contemporary Art Gallery, Hammond, LA
- *2019 Emerging Illinois Artists*, McLean County Arts Center, Bloomington, IL
- *The COLOR Show*, Rogards Downtown Gallery, Champaign, IL
- *Magic // Dreams* (MFA Group Show), Bloc Gallery, Urbana-Champaign, IL

- *Paper Trail | Page 2*, 40 Point One, Consolidated Communications, Champaign, IL
- *8 to Create Alumni Show*, Krannert Art Museum, Urbana-Champaign, IL

2018

- *Fall 2018 Graduate Student Exhibition*, Link Gallery, Urbana-Champaign, IL
- *Constructing the Break*, Contemporary Arts Center New Orleans, New Orleans, LA
- *Visions of Venus/Venus' Vision*, Zhou B. Art Center, Chicago, IL
- *See[and]Saw*, Bloc Gallery, Urbana-Champaign, IL
- *8 to Create*, Link Gallery, Urbana-Champaign, IL
- *National Wet Paint MFA Biennial*, Zhou B. Art Center, Chicago, IL
- *The Deadly Ambiguity of Guns*, New Orleans Art Center, New Orleans, LA

2017

- *Relapse - Things on Canvas, Wood and Paper*, East Wall Gallery, Urbana-Champaign, IL
- *Press On - A Printmaking Exhibition*, Link Gallery, Urbana-Champaign, IL
- *Radical Optimism*, Baby Teeth Collective, Urbana, IL
- *Leaf All Wormies Behind*, One Love Community Art Space, New Orleans, LA
- *11th Annual Louisiana Fine Art Showcase*, SELU President's Residence, Hammond, LA
- *Lion Pride*, Hammond Regional Arts Center, Hammond, LA
- *Conversations with Abstraction*, St. Tammany Art Association, Covington, LA

2016

- *COPYCAT*, Hammond Regional Arts Center, Hammond, LA
- *Nuts & Bolts - A Changing Climate*, 7 Elements Fine Arts School & Gallery, Baton Rouge, LA
- *Dig Easy Compost Benefit Show and Fundraiser*, Rare Form, New Orleans, LA
- *Obsolescence*, Pennington Fine Art Gallery, New Orleans, LA

2015

- *9th Annual Louisiana Fine Art Showcase*, SELU President's Residence, Hammond, LA
- *Art + Design Senior Exhibitions*, Southeastern Contemporary Art Gallery, Hammond, LA
- *Disposability Exhibition*, Hyde Gallery, Hammond, LA
- *Motion Exhibition*, Seek Gallery, Hammond, LA
- *Lessons in Alchemy*, Hyde Gallery, Hammond, LA
- *Art + Design Student Juried Exhibition*, Southeastern Contemporary Art Gallery, Hammond, LA

SELECTED AWARDS AND GRANTS:

2017-20

- List of Professors Ranked Outstanding by their Students (every semester), University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, IL
- Graduate Travel Grant Recipient (every semester), School of Art and Design, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, IL

2017

- Art + Design Fellowship, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, IL

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

2020

- Graduate Teaching Assistant (Instructor of Record), Intermediate Painting (Special Topics: Large Scale Abstraction), University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, IL

2018-19

- Graduate Teaching Assistant (Instructor of Record), Painting for Non-Majors, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, IL

2017-19

- Graduate Teaching Assistant (Instructor of Record), Drawing for Non-Majors, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, IL

WORK EXPERIENCE:

2017-20

- Graduate Studio Lab Assistant, Noble Ink Lab, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, IL
- Graduate Studio Lab Assistant, 3-D Fabrications Lab, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, IL

WORKSHOPS:

2019

- *Wynter Wells Drawing School for Environmental Liberation w/ Torkwase Dyson*, participant/exhibitor, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, IL