

## **PhenomenaLewis**

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### **RESIDENCIES**

2022

- Chateau Orquevaux Artist Residency for 4 weeks in November focusing on photography and drawing

### **EDUCATION**

- Class of 2019 from the School of Visual Arts, graduated with honors from the BFA Fine Arts program

### **ART COLLECTIONS**

2023

- *Virgin*, 2020 self portrait photograph, 10.8in x 18in, edition 1 of 5AP, featured on Saatchi Art's New This Week 05/29/2023 Collection curated by Rebecca Wilson, chief curator and VP, Art Advisory on the Saatchi Art home page

- *Evolved*, 2020 self portrait photograph, 16in x 20in, edition 1 of 7AP, featured in Saatchi Art's New This Week 03/20/2023 Collection curated by Rebecca Wilson, chief curator and VP, Art Advisory on the Saatchi Art home page

2022

- *The Lady and The Chair*, 2022 self portrait photograph still image film (page 14), 11.75in x 8.25in, edition 1 of 7AP, is part of the Chateau Orquevaux permanent collection in their main book

- *Memory Lens*, 2022 pastel on paper, 21.25in x 92.25in, is part of the Chateau Orquevaux permanent collection

- *Lethal*, 2020 black and white digital self portrait photograph, 21in x 38in, edition 1 of 5AP, is part of Arthur Lewis & Hau Nguyen's art collection

- *Pneuma*, 2020 self portrait photograph, 11.25in x 16.25in, edition 1 of 5AP, is part of Arthur Lewis & Hau Nguyen's collection

2021

- *Self Apologetic*, 2020 self portrait photograph, 14.7in x 22in, edition 1 of 5AP, is part of The Seavest Collection

### **SELECTED GROUP SHOW**

2022

- "Inner Dialogue: Solo Show Preview in New York, NY curated by The Honey Pump at the Home Gallery

- "Healing & Hope" in Harlem, NY curated by Dodji Gbedemah

2021

- "Groop Shø" in Brooklyn, NY curated by Raina Mehler

- "Juneteenth: A Celebration of Black Art, Identity, and Freedom," in Brooklyn, NY curated by We Roam Freely team

- "tHP: Beacon," in Brooklyn, NY curated by The Honey Pump art agency in collaboration with the Satellite Art Club

2020

- "Beyond Beauty: the ideal form," in Norwalk, CT curated by Lewis Derogene
- "Bathing in Blackness," in New York, NY curated by Kamra Hakim
- "LIC Live Art," in Long Island City, NY curated by Furusho von Puttkammer

2019

- "Veiled," in the TBG Gallery in New York, NY curated by Lewis Derogene, Anna Stallone and Soyoung Chang
- "Satellite Art Show," in the Pfizer Building in Brooklyn, NY curated by Brian Whiteley
- "GI Portal," on Governor's Island in New York, NY curated by 4 Heads

2018

- "Open Studios," in the School of Visual Arts in New York, NY curated by the BFA Fine Arts department
- "The Antithesis Project," (Fridge Art Fair) in the NU Hotel in Brooklyn, NY curated by Eric Ginsburg and Amanda Acosta

2017

- "ARE - WE - MORE," in the Living Gallery Outpost in New York, NY curated by Lewis Derogene, Steven Drake, Haley Peacock, and Vieno James
- "Salutation Vineyard," in the Powell State Building, New York, NY curated by Anthony Burton

2014

- "Street Seats," in Downtown Stamford, CT curated by Stamford Town

## **CURATORIAL WORK**

2023

- Assisted in the curation of the late Purvis Young's solo exhibition "This is The Life I See" at MoCA Westport with the executive director of the museum, Ruth Mannes.
- Co-curated "Kaleidoscope" with Erika McGhee, a group exhibition at MoCA Westport displaying artworks from MoCA Westport summer camp as well as their MoCA Gives Back partners like STAR (Darien, Norwalk, and New Canaan) and Norwalk Next Step.

2020

- Curated a two person art exhibition "Beyond Beauty: the ideal form" at The Mad Lab in Norwalk, CT featuring my own art and the art of Bathscheba Derogene.

2019

- Co-curated "Veiled," in the TBG Gallery in New York, NY with Anna Stallone and Soyoung Chang displaying photography, video art, and paintings from all three of us.

2017

- Co-curated "ARE - WE - MORE," in the Living Gallery Outpost in New York, NY with Steven Drake, Haley Peacock, and Vieno James displaying artworks from all of us including our classmates from the School of Visual Arts.

## **EXPERIENCES**

- 2023 - I'm an associate curator to the Executive Director of MoCA Westport. One of the exhibitions I assisted in was a solo exhibition of the late Pervis Young. I co-curated an exhibition with my peer Erika McGhee titled Kaleidoscope showcasing artwork from MoCA Give Back participants as well as the MoCA summer camp kids. I'm also a teaching artist where I teach kids as well as adults with disabilities.
- 2023 - Invited by SHOPIFY NYC team to do portrait drawings at their Build Black Event on 02/05/23.

- 2022 - Featured in Creative Habits visual podcast and they are based in Washington DC, MD.
- 2021 and 2022 - Represented by The Honey Pump agency in New York, NY.
- 2019 and 2022 –I worked with and for Jana Haimsohn in New York, NY. Jana Haimsohn is a performance artist who has performed with many known artists like Don Pullen, Don Cherry and more. As Jana's studio assistant I archived her performance videos, drawings, reviews, articles, and photographs documentation and updated her website.
- 2021 –I taught documentary filmmaking to young high school students with Girl Be Heard.
- 2020 - 2021 –I taught elementary school students in an after school program with St Nick's Alliance in Brooklyn, NY. That entails performance art, digital illustration, drawing, painting, sculpture and printmaking.

## **PUBLICATIONS**

- "Interview with Haitian Digital Photographer and Artist PhenomenaLewis," by Jephumba on African Digital Art site, April 2022: <https://www.africandigitalart.com/interview-with-haitian-digital-artist-phenomenal-lewis/>
- "Portraits of PhenomenaLewis: Reclaiming Africanity," by Mariyam Fatima on The Curator Mag site, May 2021: <https://thecuratormag.com/thp-phenomenalewis/>
- Culture Icon zine issue 1, April, 2021 : <https://shopcultureicon.com>
- "Interview: PhenomenaLewis," by Chunbum Park on the Emerging Artists Collective site, January 2021: <https://www.emergingartistscollective.com/post/interview-phenomenalewis>
- Artnet page with The Honey Pump: <https://www.artnet.com/galleries/the-honey-pump/artist-phenomenalewis/>
- Artsy page with The Honey Pump: <https://www.artsy.net/the-honey-pump/artist/phenomenalewis>
- "PhenomenaLewis" written and interviewed by Jana Astanov on CREATRIX, August 2020: <http://www.creatrixmag.com/phenomenalewis/>
- "20/20" SVA BFA Fine Arts, May 2019 (catalog)
- "Portal GI Press Release" Governor's Island, August 2019 (catalog)
- "Here's A Preview Of Portal: Governors Island, The Wild Art Fair Opening This Saturday On Colonels Row," by Scott Lynch on the Gothamist website, August 2019: <https://bit.ly/2Lg7qy9>
- "Sounds Like NYC Ep. #019 | Lewis Derogene," by David Lozada, May 22, 2018: <https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/sounds-like-nyc/id1360186293>
- "US: Emerging artists showcase their work at Fridge Art Fair in NY" May 2018: <https://bit.ly/2UseVVG>

## **SKILLS**

- Art Curation, Art Installation, Adobe Photoshop, Adobe Lightroom, Final Cut Pro X, 3D modeling (Nomad Sculpt), Photography, Cinematography, Creative Directing, Drawing, Painting, Archiving, Installation Art, Sculpture, Wood Work, Metal Work, Soft Sculpture, Textile Art, Directing, and 2D Animation