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Education

Virginia Commonwealth University School of the Arts BFA Sculpture + Extended Media, 2011 BFA Painting and Printmaking, 2011

Solo Exhibitions

2015 Smart Objects, Los Angeles, CA (upcoming) *Late painter/new paint,* Retrospective, Hudson, NY *Emiter,* James Fuentes, New York, NY

2014

Mrs. Fibonacci's Traditional False Color Broccoli with Orange Sauce, Annarumma, Naples, Italy Incident Report Viewing Station, Hudson, NY

2013 *Diorama,* Mixed Greens, New York, NY *The Other Real*, Nudashank, Baltimore, MD

Selected Group Exhibitions

2015

826NYC Exhibition & Auction, David Zwirner, New York, NY Works on Paper, Leo XIII, Tilburg, Netherlands Unhide, Smart Objects, Los Angeles, CA <<<>>> (vol.2), Super Dakota, Brussels

2014

The Go Between: Works from the collection of Ernesto Esposito, Capodimonte Museum, Naples, Italy Evelyn Yard, London, England NEWD Art Fair, Brooklyn, NY Raster Raster, Aran Cravey, Los Angeles, CA Fruits/Flowers/Appliances, LVL3, Chicago, IL

2013

James Fuentes, New York, NY *F(re)e Play,* Stadium, New York, NY *Welcome to the Real*, {TEMP}/Nurtureart, New York, NY

2012

Brand Innovations for Ubiquitous Authorship, Higher Pictures, New York, NY Almost Famous, Reynolds Gallery, Richmond, VA VCU Police Presents: The Grand Closing of REFERENCE Art Gallery, REFERENCE, Richmond, VA The Untouchables, Saamlung, Hong Kong

Awards

- 2011 Andrew Gehr West Scholarship, VCU Department of Painting Faculty Award
- 2010 Dean's Scholarship, VCU Department of Sculpture Faculty Award
- 2009 Charles Renick Scholarship, VCU Sculpture Department Faculty Award Painting Honors, VCU Painting and Printmaking Department
- 2008 Tyler Binsted Scholarship, VCU Sculpture Department Faculty Award Outstanding Artist Award, VCU Art Foundation Faculty Award
- 2007 VCU Provost Scholarship

Bibliography

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