

Frivolous

a group art show
opening april 9

Callanwolde Fine Arts Center
980 Briarcliff Rd NE,
Atlanta, GA 30306



Embracing the Frivolous

reexamines the ways women's choices, emotions, and art have been devalued. Historically, when women spent on beauty, fashion, or gifts, it was criticized as wasteful, while men's leisure purchases were rarely questioned. The same logic applies to expression: women's emotions outside caregiving roles are often minimized, and art that centers beauty is dismissed as superficial. This exhibition gathers women artists who reclaim those narratives and reframe the so-called frivolous as worthy of attention.

Here, beauty is not an afterthought, it is the point. The works on view revel in color, pattern, and joy, pushing against the pressure for art to always carry grave meaning in order to matter. Together, these artists insist that what has long been dismissed as trivial is in fact essential: a radical affirmation of self, an embrace of pleasure, and a celebration of humanity.

Panel Discussion April 19th 1pm-4pm
Open Studio & Closing May 21st 6pm-9pm




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featured artist

Alice Stone-Collins
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Alice Stone-Collins is an artist living in Atlanta, GA where she is a faculty member at Georgia Gwinnett College.

Alice earned her MFA in studio art from the University of Tennessee and has exhibited her work regionally and nationally. She has been a resident artist at KMAC (Kentucky Museum of Art and Craft) based out of Louisville, Kentucky and the David and Julia White Artist Colony in Ciudad Colon, Costa Rica. Alice has been featured on Studio Break and The Artists Mother Podcast and her work published as the cover art for Aurora, The Allegory Ridge Poetry Anthology and The Red Branch Review. She was also a finalist for the Jean-Claude Reynal Scholarship among other honors and awards.



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Domonique Stanford
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Domonique Stanford is an Atlanta based multidisciplinary artist whose work often bridges the natural world and the human form and their relationships to each other. She draws inspiration from the rhythms of nature and the complexity of femininity; often exploring themes of growth, light, stillness, and transformation inviting viewers to see the beauty in the hidden and the evolving.



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Artsy Elaine
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Artsy Elaine (Elaine Stephenson) is an Atlanta artist and muralist creating bright and colorful art with positive messages to uplift and inspire. Born in Atlanta, she studied graphic design at the University of Georgia, which ignited her love for typography and bold design. After a 10 year design career she started her art and mural business, combining both her strategic design skills and artistic voice to create vibrant art that enhances spaces. Since beginning her mural journey in 2018, she has painted over 50 murals throughout Georgia, from Blue Ridge to Athens. Elaine is very involved in public art and has several large murals around Atlanta, such as a bridge underpass in the West End and a parking garage entrance at Atlantic Station.



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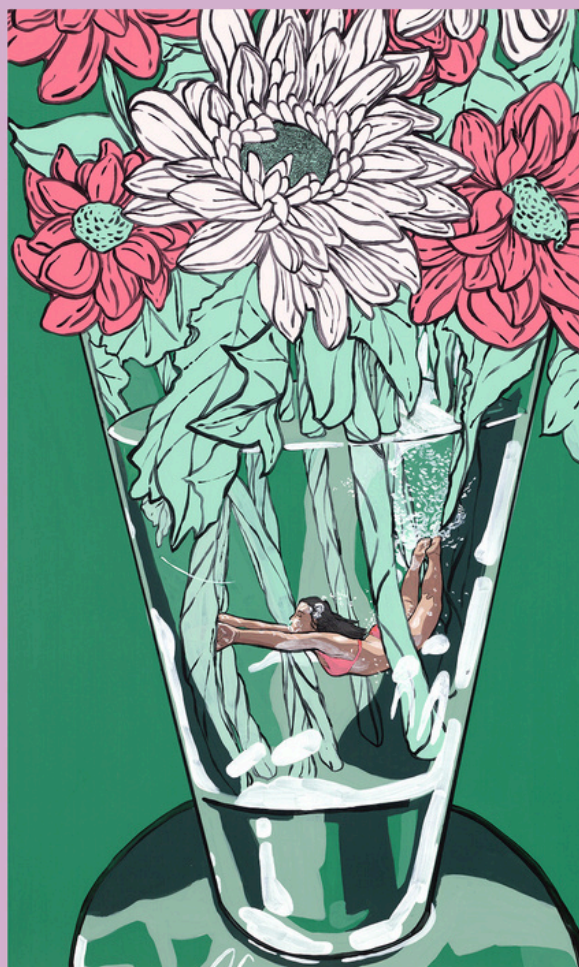
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Gabi Anderson
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Gabi Anderson is an Atlanta-based artist and creative director whose art practice centers on finding beauty in the everyday—whether it's local wildflowers or tchotchkes around her house, she celebrates life's small, overlooked moments. Through playful, surrealist depictions of ordinary objects, she aims to spark wonder and inspire creativity in those who engage with her work. Recently, she's delved into themes of womanhood, aging, and the joy of embracing a sense of play at any stage of life. Through her work, she explores her unconventional path of being a Southern woman in her mid-30s, challenging traditional timelines and celebrating individuality.



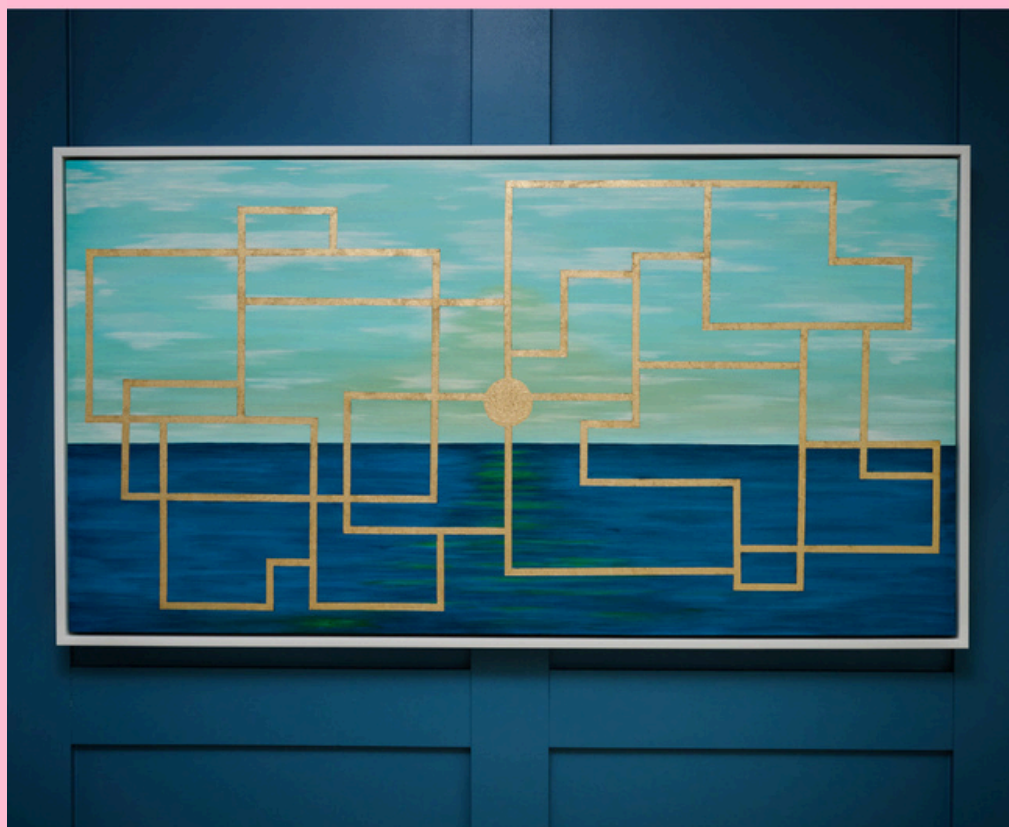
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Hannah-Rose Broom
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Hannah-Rose Broom is an actor, artist, filmmaker, and yoga teacher. She finds joy in creative problem solving and has a passion for learning new processes, letting the needs of an individual piece dictate their given format. This has led her to create a body of work exploring everything from resin sculpture to analog botanical cyanotype to full-body movement pieces combining mixed-media painting and yogic practices. Whatever the medium, her work is rooted in meditation and mindfulness, exploring themes of the physical manifestations of emotion in the body as well as contemplations of the natural world.



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Jane Collins
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Jane Collins is a Painter and Illustrator based in Decatur, Georgia. Nature, color, creatures, and whimsy are the main themes of her art. She has been creating for as long as she can remember, but recently has been loving painting murals and larger pieces as well as collaborating with other artists.



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Kiera Rahming-Reed
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Kiera Rahming-Reed, a self-taught wood artist and educator working in metro-Atlanta, is celebrated for her vibrant, textured portraits of Black women and Black queer individuals. Her passion for woodworking ignited during the 2020 COVID-19 lockdown, blending over a decade of teaching experience with her art. She meticulously hand-cuts wood, embedding it beneath paint that mimics clay, symbolizing the hidden depths of identity. Inspired by the Black experience, her work invites reflection and empowerment. Emphasizing sustainability, she often uses repurposed wood, telling stories of resilience and identity, quickly gaining attention for her meaningful themes.



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I'm a **mixed-media fiber artist** creating bold works for confident and colorful spaces. I grew up in a home filled with art and surrounded by family who encouraged every creative endeavor I took on. I currently utilize my graphic design background to digitally illustrate my subjects before translating them into dimensional tufted works. With yarn as my primary medium I'm able to create either juxtaposition or harmony between the piece's form and subject matter. My work often touches on the facets and intersections of femininity, the female experience and nostalgia.



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Vanna Black

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Atlanta native **Vanna Black** is an illustrator, painter, and muralist who bridges the gap between fine art and graphic design in her paintings. After earning her BFA from Georgia State University, Vanna developed a signature style that fuses inspired African motifs with the serene landscapes and floral aesthetics of vintage Japanese illustrations. Her work is defined by vibrancy, motion-filled patterns, and stimulating titles for ruminative thinking. Through a deliberate use of color and scale, Vanna invites viewers to reflect on their own place in the world and the diverse perspectives of others.

Vanna has collaborated with prominent partners including Hermès, Canada Goose, LivingWalls, and the City of Atlanta. She also serves her local creative community as a social media volunteer for CreativeMornings ATL.



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