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MEDIA ADVISORY

McLean Project for the Arts to Host Spring Solos Virtual Artist Talk

McLean Project for the Arts (MPA) Curator and Artistic Director Nancy Sausser will host a Virtual Artist Talk on Wednesday, May 11, 2022 at 7pm. Artists Melanie Kehoss, Matt Pinney, and James Stephen Terrell will discuss the thoughts and processes behind their current exhibitions, *Labor and Leisure: Lightboxes* by Melanie Kehoss, *Where Do We Go From Here: New Paintings* by Matt Pinney, and *Collide of Scope: Paintings* by James Stephen Terrell.

The Virtual Artist Talk is FREE and open to the public. [RSVP to receive the Zoom link.](#)

WHAT: MPA Spring Solos Virtual Artist Talk

WHO: Artists Melanie Kehoss, Matt Pinney, and James Stephen Terrell

WHEN: Wednesday, May 11, 2022

WHERE: Zoom

HOW: Visit <https://tinyurl.com/zoomartisttalk> to receive the Zoom link

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About MPA

MPA Exhibits, Educates and Inspires

McLean Project for the Arts (MPA) is one of the mid-Atlantic region's most respected contemporary visual arts organizations, and celebrates its 60th anniversary in 2022. MPA provides high-quality art exhibitions showcasing the work of established and emerging artists, educational programs, art classes, MPAartfest, summer art camps, and ArtReach, an award-winning program serving students in grades K - 12, seniors, and individuals with special needs. For more information, visit www.mpaart.org.

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About Melanie Kehoss

Melanie Kehoss approaches her artwork methodically: Research, design, execute. This methodology was already apparent during her studies at Lawrence University in Appleton, WI, where she developed a pop-art style of digital portraiture. After graduating, Kehoss taught herself how to cut portraits out of construction paper, and has been cutting ever since. In 2008, Kehoss began displaying her papercuts as lightboxes, which remain her signature. Kehoss' work has appeared in over a hundred exhibits throughout the country, and has been featured in solo shows at venues such as Fred Schnider Gallery, Blackrock Center for the Arts, Hillyer Art Space, and Orange County Center for Contemporary Art. Melanie holds an MFA from University of Wisconsin-Madison. <https://www.kehoss.com/>

About Matt Pinney

Matt Pinney is a multi-media artist living and working in Washington D.C. He has a deep curiosity about nature and the bounty that it brings. An avid gardener, Pinney's investigative study of nature forms the basis of the relationship between material and art. The process of developing pigments, the basis of any painting, recognizes the chemical reactions that make colors possible. The translation of a pigment, from its primitive state, into a work of art is preceded by an understanding of both a chemical and an alchemical change. Pinney received his Masters of Fine Arts from the Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts and his Bachelors of Fine Arts from Indiana University in Bloomington, Indiana. His work has been shown nationally and internationally. <http://mattpinney.com/>

About James Stephen Terrell

James Stephen Terrell is a native Washingtonian who was reared in Ward 7. He received his high school diploma from Gonzaga College High School in Washington D.C. He received the Bachelor of Fine Art in 1999 from Howard University, Master of Fine Arts in 2002 from Parsons School of Design in New York City and the Master of Divinity Degree from the Union Theological Seminary in New York City with a concentration on Theology and the Fine Arts in 2006. While attending Union Theological Seminary, he pursued Fine Arts painting elective courses at Columbia University. Terrell has exhibited his work all over the country and had multiple solo shows including at museums. <https://www.terrellartsdcc.com/james-terrell>

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