

## MICHELLE Y WILLIAMS

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Michelle Y Williams is a Houston based creator, explorer, humanitarian, and artist. The imagination of her work is evoked through multiple channels, including canvas, wood, metal, plexiglas and clay. Yet, it is an absence of negativity and cynicism, which sustain the heart of her creations: a mélange of interwoven spirit and gratitude.

Inside her studio is where she can always be found, cloistered in, as if a closet in the wall of the world she scarcely leaves, unassuming of her successes, ensconced in her appetite to create, to expose herself only in her art, which can be displayed as a proxy, as our closest impersonator of her innermost self.

Michelle's privacy within her studio walls should not mark reclusion, but illuminate the independence with which she works, conquering the materials at her disposal as opposed to the materials of the everyday that fail to incite change, to bring about a bettering in people.

Much of michelle's methods gain influence from the worldview wabi-sabi, a japanese aesthetic that embraces the transient self. That is to say, rather than disregarding one's weaknesses, or thinking of such imperfections from a state of confrontation, Michelle, as put forth in her work, seeks to embody these reputed flaws.

In accepting the process of life, of its misshapen ways and understated moments, one can maintain a fuller sense of self, and approach once challenging faults with gratification, with thankfulness. In a stain, we find understanding; in a dent, our ability to heal; in a blemish, an unchained beauty. Michelle's art is a diligent offering of this ideal, of the concerted outlook we must bring into others, and into our own lives.

### EXHIBITIONS

2018

AAF London Hampstead, New York, Hong Kong, Brussels  
ART UP Lille France  
LA Art Show  
Scope Art Schow Miami Beach  
CONTEXT Art Miami  
Art Market Hampton

2017

"Janos Huszti, Michelle y Williams - New York", Aberson Exhibits, Tulsa, USA  
AAF Stockholm  
AFF New York  
AAF Bruxelles  
Scope Art Schow Miami Beach  
CONTEXT Art Miami  
LA Art Show  
Art Market Hampton

2016

Los Angeles art show  
Scope Miami  
Art central, Hong Kong  
Context New York  
Art Wynwood, Miami  
AAF Brussels, Hong Kong, Singapore, London, New York, Hamburg  
Envie d Art gallery, Paris VIII  
K+Y gallery, Paris VIII

2015

AAF Brussels, Singapore, Haburg, London, Seoul, New York, Hong Kong  
Art Wynwood, Miami  
Art Palm Beach  
Los Angeles Art Show  
Scope Basel  
Scope Miami  
Cologne art fair  
Art southampton  
Art hamptons  
K+Y gallery, Paris VIII

2014

Art hamptons  
Scope Miami  
Scope Basel  
Cologne art fair  
Los Angeles art show  
Spectrum Miami  
Art San Diego  
AAF New York, London  
Art Toronto

Love Art Toronto  
K+Y gallery, Paris VIII

2013  
Red Dot Miami  
AAF Seattle  
Addison gallery, Delray Beach, Florida  
Matthews gallery, Santa Fe  
K+Y gallery, Paris VIII

2012  
AAF New York, Seattle  
Aberson exhibition, Tulsa  
Kaller fine art, Bethesda

2011  
"Headlock", Michelle y Williams gallery, Houston, TX  
"Interact", Kaller Fine Arts, Bethesda, MD  
"Canvas", Aberson Exhibits, Tulsa, OK

2010  
"Dialectic", Michelle y Williams gallery, Houston, TX  
"Project A5", Artamo Gallery, Santa Barbara, CA

2009  
"Fire & Ice", Michelle y Williams gallery, New Orleans, LA

2008  
"Divergent Abstractions", Deloney Newkirk, Santa Fe, NM  
"artWorks", Laura Rathe Fine Art, Houston, TX  
"New Works", Gallery IMA, Seattle, WA

2007  
"Texas Connection", Artamo Gallery, Santa Barbara, CA  
"Abstraction-Three Points of View", Deloney Newkirk, Santa Fe, NM  
"Paintings & Sculpture", AnArte Gallery, San Antonio, TX  
"Lightness", Artamo Gallery, Santa Barbara, CA  
"Recent Works, Grand Contemporary, Lafayette, LA  
"Pulse", Laura Rathe Fine Art, Houston, TX

2006  
"Cross Currents: American Paintings", Kevin Barry, Los Angeles, CA  
"Urban Series", Mind Puddles Gallery, Houston, TX

2005  
"Urban Series NY", Phoenix Fine Art, Nyack, NY  
"New Paintings", Grand Contemporary, Lafayette, LA  
"Recent Paintings", Mind Puddles Gallery, Houston, TX  
"Third Anniversary Show", Mind Puddles Gallery, Houston, TX

2004  
MAC Fine Art, Ft. Lauderdale, FL  
Bering James Gallery, Houston, TX  
"1000 Words", Mind Puddles Gallery, Houston, TX  
Swanson Reed Galleries, Louisville, KY

2003  
"Recent Works", Mind Puddles Gallery, Houston, TX  
"Recent Paintings", Phoenix Fine Art, New York, NY  
"Williams - Betz", Betz Gallery, Houston, TX

2002  
"Natural Selection", Dragon Gallery, Hamptons, NY