

# Tanya Leighton

## ESTEBAN JEFFERSON

Born in 1989 in New York  
Lives and works in New York

### Education

2019 MFA, Visual Art, Columbia University, New York  
2011 BA, Visual Art, Columbia University, New York

### Solo Exhibitions

2024 *On Value*, Tanya Leighton, Berlin  
2023 *May 25th, 2020*, Goldsmiths Centre for Contemporary Art, London  
*May 25, 2020*, 303 Gallery, New York  
2021 *Petit Palais (Drawings)*, Tanya Leighton, Los Angeles  
2020 *Petit Palais*, Tanya Leighton, Berlin  
2019 *Petit Palais*, White Columns, New York

### Group Exhibitions

2024 Centraal Museum, Utrecht  
2023 *Heaven is a Different Thing*, Uncle Brother, Hancock, New York  
*Get That Old Thing Back*, Sugar Hill Children's Museum of Art & Storytelling, New York  
*A Gauzy Flame*, Herald St, London  
2022 *Fire Figure Fantasy*, ICA – Institute of Contemporary Art, Miami  
2021 *Exhibition as Image*, 80WSE, New York  
*New Old Histories*, Kasmin Gallery, New York  
*Open Call*, The Shed, New York  
*ESTAMOS BIEN*, La Trienal, Museo del Barrio, New York  
2020 *Art on the Grid*, Public Art Fund, New York  
2019 *Vernacular Interior*, curated by Adeze Wilford, Hales Gallery, New York  
*MFA Thesis Exhibition*, Wallach Art Gallery, New York  
*1989-2019*, curated by Maximillian Piras, Chinatown Soup, New York  
2018 *Feel That Other Day Flowing Underneath This One*, Times Square Space, New York  
*Material Witness Witness Material*, curated by Alessandra Gomez, Knockdown Center, New York  
*Black Blooded*, curated by Jessica Moss, The New Gallery, Charlotte  
*First-Year MFA Exhibition*, curated by Natalie Bell, Wallach Art Gallery, New York  
2016 *SIP Summer Fellowship Show*, Elizabeth Foundation for the Arts, New York  
2011 *D:FANG – Disambiguation for a New Generation*, Salomon Arts, New York  
*Senior Thesis Exhibition*, LeRoy Neiman Center Gallery, New York  
2009 *Drawing Into Print*, LeRoy Neiman Center Gallery, New York

### Awards and Scholarships

- 2018 XL Catlin Art Prize USA, shortlisted
- 2016 Lower Manhattan Community Council Workspace Program
- 2015 Robert Blackburn Printmaking Workshop's S.I.P. Residency
- 2011 Recipient of the Nicholas F. and Frances N. Artuso Fund Scholarship
- 2006 Recipient of the Stanley R. & Robert E. Wright Foundation for the Arts National Scholarship

#### Publications

- 2018 *And Here*, collaborative book with Katie Giritlian, published by Nicole Kaack and Mira Diya
- 2016 *Thoughts on the Residency at McDonald's, Studio Practice, and Public Space*, artist book
- 2014 *One Week Book*, editions: 2015, 2016, 2017

#### Selected Bibliography

- 2024 Tom Denman, "Esteban Jefferson: May 25, 2020", *Art Monthly*, January 2024
- 2023 M. Z. Adnan, "Esteban Jefferson's tableaux of murder, protest and power", *Plaster Magazine*, October 2023  
 "Interview: Esteban Jefferson Examines The Detritus Of Protest", *Something Curated*, October 2023  
 Keli Maksud, "Esteban Jefferson: MAY 25th 2020", *e-Flux Podcasts*, February 2023  
 Travis Diehl, "Art Gallery Shows to See in February", *The New York Times*, February 2023  
 Martin Herbert, "Future Greats 2023: Esteban Jefferson", *ArtReview*, February 2023  
 Linda Yablonsky, "Manhattan favourite 303 gallery stays relevant by staying small", *The Art Newspaper*, February 2023  
 Rebecca Schiffman, "Esteban Jefferson: May 25, 2020", *The Brooklyn Rail*, January 2023
- 2021 Anny Shaw, "Frieze London's new section Unworlding hoped to bring young artists exposure—but it brought sales too", *The Art Newspaper*, October 2021  
 "The museum is erased in the ghostly works of Esteban Jefferson", *The Spaces*, October 2021  
 Gareth Harris, "Unworlding: the Frieze section examining collapse and rebirth", *Financial Times*, October 2021  
 Terence Trouillot, "What to See During Los Angeles Gallery Weekend", *Frieze*, July 2021  
 Beatriz Colón, "At El Museo del Barrio Triennial, Five Latinx Painters to Watch", *Cultured Magazine*, June 2021  
 Precious Adesina, "Esteban Jefferson", *Art in America*, May/June 2021  
 Martin Herbert, "Esteban Jefferson", *Artforum*, March 2021  
 Lucy Rees and Jacqueline Terrebone, "Next Big Things", *Galerie*, March 2021

- 2020 Miki Kanai, "Esteban Jefferson", *Bijutsu Techo*, December 2020  
 Miki Kanai, "Esteban Jefferson – When Painting Turns into  
 Documentary: Depicting the 'Bizarre' Real World", *Talking About Art*,  
 December 2020
- 2019 Johanna Fateman, "Wider Alison/Esteban Jefferson", *The New Yorker*,  
 December 2019  
 Drew Zeiba, "Vernacular Interior", *Artforum*, July 2019
- 2018 Taylor Fish, "An Inbox Full of Screenshots: An Interview with Katie  
 Giritlian and Esteban Jefferson", *Columbia Journal*, October 2018  
 Nicole Miller, "Material Witness Witness Material", *The Brooklyn Rail*,  
 April 2018

#### Public Collections

Hessel Museum of Art, Bard College, New York  
 ICA – Institute of Contemporary Art, Miami  
 The Montreal Museum of Fine Arts, Quebec  
 Pérez Art Museum, Miami  
 Speed Art Museum, Louisville