

# 'NOW Introducing' 2023

16 NOVEMBER – 14 DECEMBER 2023

An exhibition of Shortlisted Artists from the annual  
STUDIO WEST 'NOW Introducing' Open Call + Art Prize

Anastazie Anderson

Rachel Bungey

Ji Won Cha

Hyunjun Cho

Candice Dehnavi

Elizabeth Dimitroff

Kasia Garapich

Henry Gibbs

Lily Hargreaves

Callum Harvey

Xingxin Hu

Hilda Kortei

Yuma Radne

Emma Sheehy

Katherine Qiyu Su

Valentino Vannini

Jake Walker

Freya Fang Wang

Jack Whitelock

Minjing Yang

Since inception, STUDIO WEST has been committed to platforming early career artists and helping them to build successful professional careers. In 2022, we established the 'NOW Introducing' Open Call Exhibition + Art Prize in line with this core principle.

Inviting applications from any artist currently studying on, or recently graduated from, a London based BA, MA or alternative study programme, the 'NOW Introducing' Open Call Exhibition + Art Prize intends to support art students and new graduates as they transition between arts education and the art industry, while spotlighting some of the next generations' most exciting talents. For this year's edition, we received over 500 applications, from which we have shortlisted 20 artists whose work will feature in our 'NOW Introducing' exhibition.

The 'NOW Introducing' 2023 award-winning artists will be selected with the help of our esteemed selection panel, including Founder of the All About Art Podcast, Alexandra Steinacker-Clark; Artist and previous 'NOW Introducing' prize-winner, Andras Nagy-Sandor; Curator and Arts Journalist, Bella Bonner-Evans; Collector and Founder of The Social Art Agency, Cassandra Bowes; Artist and Educator, Jerome Ince and STUDIO WEST Founder and Director, Caroline Boseley. The winner and two runners-up will each receive a cash prize and a year of one-on-one mentoring with the STUDIO WEST gallery team.

Alongside the exhibition run and into 2024, STUDIO WEST will continue our informative and educational 'NOW Introducing' talks series. These informal sessions, led by industry experts, are designed to breakdown the invisible barriers of the art world, while offering emerging and early-career artists the skills and knowledge needed to build and further their professional careers.

The 'NOW Introducing' Open Call Exhibition and associated talks series are a central tenant of STUDIO WEST's annual programming, allowing us to showcase the student and graduate artists that we believe will shape the future of contemporary art in the UK, while nurturing their growth and empowering them to navigate the art industry with confidence. Each year, the Open Call Exhibition marks a vital moment for us to educate, uplift, celebrate and connect the next generation of artistic talent with London's wider arts ecology.

#### ABOUT STUDIO WEST

STUDIO WEST is an art gallery in Notting Hill founded in 2021 by curator Caroline Boseley. Its annual exhibition and events programme features the work of the UK's most exciting emerging and newly established artists. It endeavours to fully support the artists it works with through mentorship, hosting opportunities, network building and knowledge sharing, nurturing their growth and helping them to build sustained professional careers without requiring exclusive representation. For collectors, it offers the opportunity to learn more about London's vibrant emerging art scene and purchase artwork made by incredibly promising talents.

Since inception, STUDIO WEST's values have remained the same. It aims to engage fully and authentically with the local community, create a comfortable and welcoming space for all visitors, encourage investment in contemporary art created by emerging and newly established artists and, most importantly, always prioritise the needs of the artists' it works with.

STUDIO WEST is becoming known for thoughtful concept-driven exhibitions, authentic community engagement, and offering comprehensive support to London's emerging artists.

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