

NENGI OMUKU

b. 1987 in Nigeria
Lives and works in Lagos, Nigeria

EDUCATION

2012 MA, Slade School of Art, University College London
2010 BA, Slade School of Art, University College London

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2023 (Upcoming) Kristin Hjellegjerde Gallery, Palm Beach, Florida, USA
2022 (Upcoming) Pippy Houldsworth Gallery, London, UK
2021 *Chorus*, Kristin Hjellegjerde Gallery, Berlin
2020 *Gathering*, Kristin Hjellegjerde Gallery, London
2017 *Stages of Collapse*, September Gray, Atlanta
2016 *A State of Mind*, The Armory Show, New York
2015 *A State of Mind*, Omenka Gallery, Lagos
2011 *To Figure an Encounter*, Open The Gate, London

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2022 (Upcoming) *Chaos:Calm*, Bangkok Art Biennale, Bangkok, Thailand
(Upcoming) *Dissolving Realms*, Kasmin Gallery, New York, USA
(Upcoming) Tiwani Contemporary, Lagos, Nigeria
What Lies Beneath: Women, Politics, Textiles, New Hall Art Collection, Murray Edwards College, Cambridge, UK
2021 *Self-Addressed*, curated by Kehinde Wiley at Jeffrey Deitch, Los Angeles, USA
Ubuntu: I am because we are World Trade Organisation, Headquarters, Geneva, Switzerland
Dancing in Dark Times, Pippy Houldsworth Gallery, London, UK
Karim Kal & Nengi Omuku, La Galerie, Centre D'Art Contemporain de Noisy-Le-Sec
FACING THE SUN, Kristin Hjellegjerde Gallery at Schloss Görne, Germany
The Invincible Hands, Yemisi Shyllon Museum of Art, Lagos, Nigeria
2020 *All the Days and Nights*, Kristin Hjellegjerde Gallery (Wandsworth), London
Untitled Art San Francisco, with Kristin Hjellegjerde, San Francisco
2019 *1-54*, with Kristin Hjellegjerde Gallery, London
2018 *Hospital Rooms*, Griffin Gallery, London
At work, Arthouse, Lagos
2017 ARTX, Lagos
Commotion, 1:54, London
2015 *Mapping Histories*, Constructing Realities, ART15, London
2014 *The Next 50 Years*, Omenka Gallery, Lagos
2012 *Jerwood Drawing Prize Exhibition*, Jerwood Gallery, London
2011 *Deep Cuts Last Measures*, Stephen Lawrence Gallery, London

- Surplus to Requirements*, Slade Research Center, London
2010 *The Future of Contemporary Art*, Lloyd Gill Gallery, Bristol
Group Exhibition, Swiss Cottage Gallery, London
2009 *Group Exhibition*, Camden Art Gallery, London

AWARDS

- 2022 Henrike Grohs Art Award Nominee
2012 Prankerd Jones Memorial Prize
Awarded by University College London
2011 Nancy Balfour MA Scholarship
Awarded by University College London
2003 Winner- British Council CHOGM art competition
Awarded by Queen Elisabeth II

COMMISSIONS & RESIDENCES

- 2022 Kòbomojé Artist in Residence, Ibadan, Nigeria
2021 World Trade Organisation Residency organised by African Art Foundation,
Geneva
2018 Mural, family rooms, Eileen Skellern intensive care psychiatric ward, Maudsley
Hospital, London

COLLECTIONS

HSBC Art Collection
Beth Rudin DeWoody Collection
Loewe Art Collection
Monsoon Art Collection
Dawn Art Collection
Easton Capital collection
Azman Museum
Women's Art Collection, Murray Edwards College, Cambridge

PRESS

- 2021 *Karim Kal et Nengi Omuku*, Andréanne Beguin, Andréanne Béguin,
Zérodeux
Karim Kal et Nengi Omuku : À corps défendant, Étienne Hatt, Artpress
2020 Trebuchet Magazine: Painting the Collective: An Interview with Nengi Omuku
<https://www.trebuchet-magazine.com/nengi-omuku/>
FAD Magazine: 16 artists explore portraiture through their different mediums at
Kristin Hjellegjerde

- <https://fadmagazine.com/2020/02/25/16-artists-explore-portraiture-through-their-different-mediums-at-kristin-hjellegjerde/>
Artskop: A Race To Digitalize: African Art's New Playground
<https://www.artskop.com/artmedia/en/a-race-to-digitalize-african-contemporary-art-during-covid-19/>
The Sole Adventurer: Nengi Omuku Paints a Cartography of Collective Strife and Solidarity | By Hanou Amendah
<https://thesoleadventurer.com/nengi-omuku-paints-a-cartography-of-collective-strife-and-solidarity-by-hanou-amendah/>
- 2019 Forbes: What To See And Buy At The African 1-54 Art Fair In London
<https://www.forbes.com/sites/joanneshurvell/2019/10/04/what-to-see-and-buy-at-the-african-1-54-art-fair-in-london/?sh=6695c7d85a4b>
Harpers Bazaar Arabia: Why Do We Need An Art Fair Dedicated To African Art?
<https://www.harpersbazaararabia.com/art/fairs-and-events/154-contemporary-african-art-fair-answers-africas-call-to-be-seen>
- 2018 Chanel 4 News: Charity transforms Mental Health Units with Art
<https://www.channel4.com/news/charity-transforms-mental-health-units-with-art>
In Studio with Sharon
<https://soundcloud.com/instudiowithso/episode-11-nengi-omuku>
"Interview: Nengi Omuku"
http://showstudio.com/project/hospital_rooms/interview_nengi_omuku
"Nengi Omuku"
<https://sumofencounters.com/Nengi-Omuku>
- 2016 "Interview: Nengi Omuku with Emmanuel Iduma," Degree Critical.
<https://artwriting.sva.edu/journal/post/interviews-nengi-omuku-withemmanuel-iduma>
"Interview: Nengi Omuku with Paula-Anne Omiyi," She Leads Africa.
<https://sheleadsafrica.org/nengi-omuku-small-girl-large-canvas/>
"Inside the Armory Show's Game Changing African Focus," Okay Africa.
<http://www.okayafrica.com/armory-focus-african-perspectives-2016/>
"Always Emerging, Never Established: Africa's Presence at the 2016 Armory Show,"
<http://www.anotherafrica.net/art-culture/always-emerging-neverestablished-africas-presence-at-the-2016-armory-show>
- 2015 "African Artists On the Way Up," Financial Times.
<https://www.ft.com/content/32a89642-8797-11e5-90de-f44762bf9896>
"Nengi Omuku's State of Mind,"
<http://www.iam-africa.com/nengi-omukus-state-of-mind/>
"Tracing Emerging Contemporary Art in Nigeria," Another Africa.
<http://www.anotherafrica.net/art-culture/tracing-emerging-contemporaryart-practice-in-nigeria>