

## KEN NWADIOGBU

b. 1994, Lagos, Nigeria

Lives and works in London, UK

### EDUCATION

2023 MA Painting, Royal College of Art, London, UK

2012 B.Sc. Civil and Environmental Engineering, The University of Lagos, Lagos, Nigeria

### SOLO EXHIBITIONS/ TWO PERSON SHOWS

2024 Salon, Kristin Hjellegjerde Gallery, West Palm Beach, USA  
I Belong Here, Kristin Hjellegjerde Gallery, Berlin, Germany  
Art Singapore, Retro Africa, Singapore

2023 Fragments of Reality, Kristin Hjellegjerde Gallery, London, UK

2022 A different Perspective, Retro Africa Gallery, Abuja, Nigeria

2021 Journey Mercies, Bomb Factory Art Foundation, London, UK  
UBUNTU, Thinkspace Projects, Los Angeles, USA

2019 CONTEMPOREALISM, BrickLane Gallery, London, UK

### SELECTED GROUP SHOWS

2024 *Salon Exhibition*, Kristin Hjellegjerde Gallery, London, UK  
*Absolut Warhol: The Other Half*, Saatchi Gallery, London, UK  
*Hospital Rooms Digital Art School*, Hauser & Wirth, London, UK  
*Art SG*, Retro Africa Gallery, Singapore, Singapore  
*NEW NOW: Part 2*, Guts Gallery, London, UK

2023 *Portrait of a Top Boy*, Embankment galleries, Somerset House, London, UK  
*RA Summer Exhibition*, Royal Academy of Arts, Burlington House, London, UK  
*Lucid Borders*, Art Exchange, University of Essex, London, UK  
*We Are Enough*, 193 Gallery, Paris, France

2022 *The Migrant*, Scope Miami Beach, curated by Roger Niyigena Karera, Miami Beach, USA  
*Across the Pond*, Espacio Gallery, London, UK  
Unity, Volery Gallery, Dubai, UAE  
*Freedom Protesters*, Thinkspace Projects, Los Angeles, USA

2021 *Real Life Is Fragile*, Thinkspace Projects, Los Angeles, USA  
*Ruth Borchard Self Portrait Collection*, Coventry Cathedral, Coventry, UK  
*POW! WOW! The First Decade: From Hawaii To The World*, Bishop Museum, Hawaii, USA  
1-54 African Art Fair, New York, presented by Retro Africa Gallery, USA

- 2020 Prizm International Art Fair, Miami, presented by Retro African Gallery, USA The *Cookout: Kinfolk and Other Intimacies*, Museum of Contemporary African Diasporan Art (MoCADA), New York, USA  
1-54 African Art Fair, New York, presented by Retro African Gallery, USA Art of Diversity, Yinka Shonibare CBE (RA) studio, London, UK
- 2019 *Monikr* International Art Fair, London, presented by Premier Art Solution ArtX Lagos, presented by Artyrama Gallery, Lagos, Nigeria  
LAX-LHR, Chelsea Sorting Office, London, presented by Thinkspace Project LAX-MSY, RedTruck Gallery, Louisiana, presented by Thinkspace Project LAX-SFO, *Heron Arts California*, presented by Thinkspace Project  
*In The Making*, Retro African Gallery, Abuja, Nigeria
- 2018 ArtX Lagos, presented by Artyrama Gallery, Lagos, Nigeria  
*Afriuture Exhibition*, Ramati Art Africa & the Commonwealth Africa Summit. Ontario Investment and Trade centre, Toronto, Canada  
*Anti-Trump Art Show*, Creative Debuts, London, UK  
*Moniker International Art Fair*, NYC, presented by Creative Debuts, London, UK  
*Generation Y*, Retro African Gallery, Abuja, Nigeria  
*Empowerment*, Creative Debuts, London, UK
- 2017 *Artyrama Art Exhibition*, Artyrama Gallery, Lagos, Nigeria  
*Finding Your Identity*, British Council, Abuja, Nigeria  
*It's Not Furniture*, Omenka Gallery, Lagos, Nigeria
- 2016 *Insanity*, Omenka Gallery, Lagos, Nigeria

## COMMISSIONS, ILLUSTRATIONS & PROJECTS

- 2023 *Unboxing Migration*, Workshop with Art Exchange, University of Essex, Essex, UK
- 2022 *Swift Ones*, animation with Martell, Paris, France  
Promise Boys, (book cover illustration) authored by Nick Brooks and published by Macmillan, New York, USA
- 2021 *Raising For Myanmar*, poster for *Migrate Art*, London, UK Art on Wheels, vehicle wrap of Flight Logistics, London, UK  
W1 Curates X Ken Nwadiogbu, public digital display for W1 Curates, London, UK

## AWARDS

- 2019 *The Future Awards Africa Prize for Art (Visual/ Applied)* Bridgeman Studio Award

## RESIDENCIES

- 2021 *Artist-in-Residence*, Bomb Factory Art Foundation, London, UK

## LECTURES, PANELS, AND PRESENTATIONS

- 2023 *Unboxing Migration: Art Workshop with Ken Nwadiogbu*, Art Exchange, University of Essex, London, UK (Lecture)



Kristin Hjellegjerde

2020 *Artists as Drivers of Social Change*, Kunle Adewale Day, Lagos, Nigeria (Speaker)  
*Basics of Contemporealism: How to Win with Art*, Mbari Uno Workshops & Artland  
Contemporary Limited (Speaker)