# KEN NWADIOGBU

b. 1994, Lagos, Nigeria Lives and works in London, UK

### **EDUCATION**

2021

- MA Painting, Royal College of Art, London, UK 2023
- 2012 B.Sc. Civil and Environmental Engineering, The University of Lagos, Lagos, Nigeria

# SOLO EXHIBITIONS/ TWO PERSON SHOWS

- 2024 Art Singapore, Retro Africa, Singapore
- 2023 Fragments of Reality, Kristin Hjellegjerde Gallery, London, UK
- 2022 A different Perspective, Retro Africa Gallery, Abuja, Nigeria
- Journey Mercies, Bomb Factory Art Foundation, London, UK 2021 UBUNTU, Thinkspace Projects, Los Angeles, USA
- 2019 CONTEMPOREALISM, BrickLane Gallery, London, UK

## SELECTED GROUP SHOWS

- 2024 NEW NOW: Part 2, Guts Gallery, London, UK
- RA Summer Exhibition, Royal Academy of Arts, Burlington House, London, UK 2023 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, Across the Pond, Espacio Gallery, London, UK

Unity, Volery Gallery, Dubai, UAE

Freedom Protesters, Thinkspace Projects, Los Angeles, USA

- 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
- Prizm International Art Fair, Miami, presented by Retro African Gallery, USA The Cookout: Kinfolk and Other Intimacies, Museum of Contemporary African 2020 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

- 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 2019 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, Toronoto, 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
- Insanity, Omenka Gallery, Lagos, Nigeria 2016

# 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 Macmillian, 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)
- 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)