

Donavan Lyons Artist

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Artist Statement:

My work challenges our thinking by surpassing the realm of equality and evolving our thought; daring to believe in the essence of equity. Through the lens of empowerment, wisdom, empathy, and grace, its achievement is attained. Throughout our lineage and pedagogy, it has been sung, preached, and messaged that everyone deserves the time of day; no one person more than the next. To truly capture this, we must first come into a moment of awareness, acknowledgement and acceptance of what was...what is...and what shall be to come.

Education:

• 1999-2005, The University of North Carolina at Charlotte, BA in Art with concentration in Painting and Graphics Design

Exhibitions:

- 2022, "Celebrating Black Artists", FCCA, Fredericksburg, VA
 2021, "Gospel Cafe Virtual", The ANSWER COGIC, Fredericksburg, VA
 2021, "Great Outdoors", Gallery 5, Stafford, VA
 2021, "Imagined Realities", FCCA, Fredericksburg, VA

- · 2020, "Hello World", Stafford, VA
- 2020, "National Juried Show", Libertytown, Fredericksburg, VA
- 2019, "Gospel Cafe", The ANSWER COGIC, Fredericksburg, VA 2018, "Gospel Cafe", The ANSWER COGIC, Fredericksburg, VA • 2017, "Gospel Cafe", The ANSWER COGIC, Fredericksburg, VA • 2015, "Nothing like Home", Washington, D.C.
- 2015, "Gospel Cafe", The ANSWER COGIC, Fredericksburg, VA 2014, "LCD art in your Home", State Street Chicago, IL
- 2014, "Blackrock Juried Show ",Germantown, MD
 2012, "Via-Colori", Sophia Street, Fredericksburg, VA
- 2012, "Us Helping Us Celebration", Arena Stage, Washington, D.C.
- · 2012, "Make a Difference Day", The Pediatric Connection, Richmond, VA
- 2012, "Us Helping Us Celebration", Arena Stage, Washington, D.C.
- 2012, "LCD Art Solo Show", Backdoor Art Gallery, Fredericksburg, VA 2012, "Artscape", Comcast Center, Fredericksburg, VA
- 2012, "Freddie Mac Art Show", Freddie Mac, Tysons Corner, VA
- 2011, "Young Artists", Libertytown, Fredericksburg, VA
- · 2010, "Gallery Spaces", Amber Tree Gallery, National Harbor, MD