

BIOGRAPHY /// DAVID L. JOHNSON

BORN

1993 in New York, NY
Lives and works in New York, NY

EDUCATION

2022 Whitney Independent Study Program, New York, NY
2020 University of Pennsylvania, MFA, Philadelphia, PA
2015 The Cooper Union, BFA, New York, NY

GRANTS, AWARDS AND RESIDENCIES

2026 New York City Artadia Award, NY
2020 Charles Addams Memorial Prize, University of Pennsylvania,
Philadelphia, PA
Artist in Residence, Center for Public Art and Space, Philadelphia, PA
2019 Extended Studio Teaching Program, University of Pennsylvania,
Philadelphia, PA
2018 Full Tuition Dean's Diversity Scholarship, University of Pennsylvania,
Philadelphia, PA
2015 Elliot Lash Memorial Prize for Excellence in Sculpture, The Cooper Union,
New York, NY
Summer School Marfa, TAAK, Marfa, TX
2011 Full Tuition Scholarship, The Cooper Union, New York, NY

SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2027 Theta, New York, NY
2026 *Nachtruhe*, Galerie Thomas Schulte, Berlin, Germany
CAN Centre d'art Neuchâtel, CH
2025 *Rule*, Fanta-MLN, Milan, Italy
2024 *From the Street I Can See the Moon*, The Shop, Sadie Coles HQ, London, UK
2023 *Semantic Drift* (with fields harrington), Galerie Thomas Schulte, Berlin, Germany
CAT, Galerie Noah Klink, Berlin, Germany
Community Garden, Art Lot, Brooklyn, NY
2021 *Revocable Consents*, Theta, New York, NY
2015 *A Road Show*, The Cooper Union, New York, NY
2014 *From the Street I Can See the Moon*, Hosting Projects, New York, NY

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2026 Whitney Biennial 2026, The Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, NY
as a matter a fact/de hecho y de materia, Third Born, Mexico City, Mexico
New Encounters: Reframing the Contemporary Collection, Columbus Museum of Art, Columbus, OH
Mulberry Bend, Storefront for Ideas, New York, NY
- 2025 *No Returns*, Emmelines, New York, NY
Vulnerable objectives in a garden of delights and horrors, Servais Family Collection: The Loft, Brussels, Belgium
- 2024 *Prologue*, The Columbus Museum of Art, Columbus, GA
Everything that excites me no longer functions in its own time, Cherry Hill, Cologne, Germany
Debt, Salzburger Kunstverein, Salzburg, Austria
Does Anyone Still Wear a Hat?, Hans Goodrich, Chicago, IL
Scupper, François Ghebaly, Los Angeles, CA
Barrier, ArtYard, Frenchtown, NJ
Chapter II: Refusal, Gianni Manhattan, Vienna, Austria
plus one (part II), Ensemble, New York, NY
I like a view but I like to sit with my back turned to it, Fanta-MLN, Milan, Italy
The Apple Stretching, Helena Anrather, New York, NY
- 2023 *This is a Rehearsal*, The Chicago Architecture Biennial, Chicago, IL
La morsure des termites, Palais de Tokyo, Paris, France
Tomorrow is the Question, Kurimanzutto, New York, NY
Circadian Gardens, Eyes Never Sleep, New York, NY
David L. Johnson, Rebecca R. Peel, 522w37, New York, NY
- 2022 *Life Between Buildings*, MoMA PS1, New York, NY
Everything is Common, Artists Space, New York, NY
A Place to Live, Tiger Strikes Astroid, Philadelphia, PA
- 2021 *Wants & Needs*, Elizabeth Foundation for the Arts, New York, NY
- 2020 *Double Feature*, Icebox Projects Space, Philadelphia, PA
Rear Window, Pilot Projects, Philadelphia, PA
- 2019 *Arch/Road*, Philomathean Gallery, Philadelphia, PA
Nectar, Meyerson Hall Galleries, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA
- 2017 *Scared Crows*, WOMP Projects, Brooklyn, NY
- 2016 *City And City*, The Arnold and Sheila Aronson Galleries, New School, New York, NY
- 2015 *On Taking Photographs*, 1828 Troutman St (Bushwick Open Studios), Brooklyn, NY
CheckPoint to the Stars, Hotel Paisano, Marfa, TX
- 2013 *TAP DAT CAPITAL!*, La Mama Galleria, New York, NY

PUBLIC PROJECTS

- 2027 Storefront for Art and Architecture (Public Commission), New York, NY
- 2023 *Community Garden*, Art Lot, Brooklyn, NY
Neighborhood, 522w37, New York, NY

2019 *Philadelphia Negro*, Center for Public Art and Space + Monument Lab, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA

SELECTED ARTIST TALKS, SCREENINGS AND PRESENTATIONS

- 2025 Artist Talk, Rutgers University, MFA Program, New Brunswick, NJ
Artist Talk, Bard College, MFA Program, Hudson, NY
David L. Johnson and Faye Raquel Gleisser conversation at the Columbus Museum of Art, Columbus, OH
- 2024 *Parallel Walks*, Creative Time, New York, NY
Artist Talk, *These Seasons | On the Production of Space with David L. Johnson, Emilio Martinez Poppe, Niloufar Emamifar*, Swiss Institute, New York, NY
Artists on Artists, The Studio Museum in Harlem, New York, NY
Found Refined Refound (film screening), Weiss Falk + Galerie Eva Presenhuber, New York, NY
Open Sessions, Storefront for Art and Architecture, New York, NY
Artist Talk, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA Artist Talk, Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY
- 2022 Artist Talk, CU @ Lunch, The Cooper Union, New York, NY

TEACHING

- 2024– Part-time Lecturer, Parsons School of Design, Fine Arts MFA 2025 Visiting Artist, Bard College, MFA Program
2025 Adjunct Professor, The Cooper Union, School of Architecture
2024–25 Adjunct Professor, The Cooper Union, Sculpture Department
2022–24 Part-time Lecturer, The New School, Eugene Lang
2023 Adjunct Professor, University of Pennsylvania, Sculpture Department
2020 Adjunct Professor, University of Pennsylvania, Sculpture Department

WORKS IN PUBLIC COLLECTIONS

The Studio Museum in Harlem, New York, NY
The Columbus Museum of Art, Columbus, OH
The Whitney Museum of American Art, NY