



CADE TOMPKINS PROJECTS

**NAFIS M. WHITE**

American, b. 1977

**Education**

2018 MFA Printmaking, RISD, Providence, Rhode Island

2015 BFA, RISD, Providence, Rhode Island

**Solo Exhibitions**

2024 *Paint the Town Red*, Cade Tompkins Projects, Providence, RI

*Softer Landings*, Washington Pavilion, Sioux Falls, SD

2023 *Freedom in My Favorite Position*, Central Contemporary Arts, Providence, RI

2021 *InSights*, SPACES, Cleveland, OH

2020 *Between the Hawk and the Buzzard*, City Hall, Providence, RI

**Selected Group Exhibitions**

2024 *On Her Terms: Feminine Power Embodied*, Fitchburg Art Museum, Fitchburg, MA

*(Re)Work It! Women Artists on Women's Labor*, Mattatuck Museum, Waterbury, CT

*Entwined: Freedom, Sovereignty and the Sea*, Mystic Seaport, Mystic, CT

*How It Started, How It's Going*, Cade Tompkins Projects, Providence, RI

*Black Creativity Lab: Improvisation & Performance*, Duke University, Durham, NC

*Unruly Navigations*, Museum of the African Diaspora (MoAD), San Francisco, CA

2023 *INK Miami Art Fair*, Cade Tompkins Projects, Miami Beach, FL

2022 *New England Triennial 2022 Exhibition*, deCordova Sculpture Park and Museum,  
Lincoln, MA

*Us, Them We - Race, Ethnicity, Identity*, Worcester Art Museum, Worcester, MA

2021 *Textures: The History and Art of Black Hair*, Kent State University Museum, Kent, OH

*(Re)location*, Bristol Art Museum, Bristol, RI

*Hair Stories*, Newport Art Museum, Newport, RI

*Black Lives Matter Mural Project PVD*, Providence, RI

*New England Now*, Shelburne Museum, Shelburne, VT

2020 *Artists In Presidents: Fireside Chats for 2020*, Los Angeles, CA

*Case Rising*, Jamestown Art Center, Jamestown, RI

*State of Urgency*, Brown University Granoff Gallery, Providence, RI

*Collisions and Encounters*, Aborn Gallery, Providence, RI

*Power and Display*, Hans Weiss Newspace Gallery, Manchester, CT

*Good Morning Revolution*, AS220 Mercantile Gallery, Providence, RI

*Roots and Roads*, Franklin Street Works, Stamford, CT

2019 *Atlas of Dreams*, Sutton Street Gallery, Providence, RI

*Portrait*, Axis Gallery, Sacramento, CA



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**Selected Group Exhibitions (continued)**

- 2019 *How About The Weather*, AS220 Mercantile Gallery, Providence, RI  
*New Voices, New Visions*, St. Botolph Foundation, Boston, MA  
*Colorism: The Spectrum of Internalized Bias*, Root Division, San Francisco, CA  
*Unbound: Contemporary Rope Art*, Falmouth, MA  
*Amalgam*, New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park, New Bedford, MA  
*Strand*, RISD Museum, Providence RI  
*RISCA Fellowship Exhibition*, Warwick Center for the Arts, Warwick, RI
- 2018 *New Contemporaries*, RISD Museum Gelman Gallery, Providence, RI  
*Museum of Broken Windows*, New York, NY  
*RISD Grad Thesis Exhibition*, RI Convention Center, Providence, RI  
*Reimagining Gender: Voices, Power, Action*, University of Rhode Island, Kingston, RI  
*Adaptations*, Duo Show with García Sinclair, Providence, RI  
*Voices, Power, Action: RI Artists Re-imagining Gender*, Hera Gallery, Wakefield, RI  
*We Thought of You*, RISD Museum Gelman Gallery, Providence, RI  
*One Gun Gone*, Knight Campus Gallery, CCRI, Warwick, RI  
*Sweeter the Juice*, RISD Black Artists and Designers, Benson Gallery, Providence, RI

**Grants, Awards and Residencies**

- 2023 *MacColl Johnson Fellowship*, Providence, RI  
*RISD Serves Award* for outstanding Community Activism  
*Joan Mitchell Award* - Finalist
- 2022 *Yaddo Residency*, Saratoga Springs, NY  
*Black Space Residency*, San Francisco, CA  
*Loophole of Retreat at the Venice Biennale*, Venice, Italy
- 2021 *The Iris Project Residency* - California
- 2020 *Brown Arts Initiative* - Protest Art Micro Grant, Brown University  
*Interlace COVID Relief Grant* - Andy Warhol Foundation for the Visual Arts
- 2019 *MASS MoCA Studios*, Artist in Residency, North Adams, MA - Fall 2019  
*St. Botolph Club Foundation Emerging Artist Grant* - Summer 2019  
*Art New England Emerging Artist Award* - Spring 2019  
*RISCA (Rhode Island State Council on the Arts) Fellowship* - New Genres  
*PVD Fest* - Finalist for site specific installation in downtown Providence  
*New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park* - Artist in Residence  
*Boston Society of Arts and Craft* - Artist in Residence  
*Vermont Studio Center* - Artist in Residence
- 2018 *RISD Fellowship* - Graduate Studies  
*RISD Campus Mentorship Award*  
*Warren Family Social Engagement Award* - Finalist



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**Grants, Awards and Residencies (continued)**

2018 *RISD Scholarship* - Academic Excellence

2017 *RISD Fellowship* - Graduate Studies

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**Collections**

*Fitchburg Art Museum*, Fitchburg, MA

*Newport Art Museum*, Newport, RI

*RISD Museum*, Providence, RI

*The University of New Mexico Art Museum*, Albuquerque, NM