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MEDIA ALERT



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WHITNEY TO PRESENT PROGRAMS IN CELEBRATION OF STONEWALL 50

NEW YORK, NY, MAY 24, 2019 – On the occasion of the fiftieth anniversary of the Stonewall Riots, and in honor of 2019 WorldPride, the Whitney will present two free programs celebrating the queer history of the Museum's neighborhood.

“The Museum's location at the intersection of the Meatpacking District, Chelsea, and Greenwich Village—a short distance from where the Stonewall Riots took place and in close proximity to the Hudson River piers—uniquely positions us to engage with and celebrate LGBTQ+ history, art, and artists,” remarked Sasha Wortzel, Director of Access and Community Programs.

Queer History Walks

Fridays May 31; June 7, 14, 21, and 28; July 26; August 30; September 27
6 pm

Join a teaching fellow for a free walking tour that explores the rich queer history of the neighborhood surrounding the Whitney Museum. This sunset walk looks to the past to reflect on the present by bringing visitors to select sites marked by queer history and culture. From the Hudson River piers to the clubs, visitors are invited to consider their connection to the changing landscape of the neighborhood that the Whitney now occupies as well as to the history of the city. This event is free with [registration](#).

Stonewall 50 Celebration with Tiona Nekkia McClodden

June 13, 2019
7:30 PM – 9:30 PM

In collaboration with 2019 Whitney Biennial artist Tiona Nekkia McClodden and inspired by the Meatpacking District's queer club culture, the Whitney celebrates the fiftieth anniversary of the Stonewall Riots with a free after-hours event featuring DJ SHYBOI and a viewing of the 2019 Whitney Biennial. The festivities will include drinks, music, and performances by McClodden and other guest artists.

This event is for visitors age 21 and over and is free with registration.

About the Whitney

The core of the Whitney's mission is to collect, preserve, interpret, and exhibit American art of our time and serve a wide variety of audiences in celebration of the complexity and diversity of art and culture in the United States. Through this mission and a steadfast commitment to artists themselves, the Whitney has long been a powerful force in support of modern and contemporary art and continues to help define what is innovative and influential in American art today.

Current and Upcoming Exhibitions at the Whitney Museum of American Art

Where We Are: Selections from the Whitney's Collection 1900–1960	April 28, 2017 – June 2, 2019
Spilling Over: Painting Color in the 1960s	March 29 – August 2019
2019 Whitney Biennial	Through September 22, 2019
The Whitney's Collection: Selections from 1900 to 1965	Opens June 28, 2019
Jason Moran	September 20, 2019 – January 5, 2020
Rachel Harrison Life Hack	October 25, 2019 – January 12, 2020
Alan Michelson: Wolf Nation	October 25, 2019 – January 12, 2020
Pope.L: Instigation, Aspiration, Perspiration	Opens October 2019
Vida Americana: Mexican Muralists Remake American Art, 1925–1945	February-May 2020
Agnes Pelton: Desert Transcendentalist	Opens Spring 2020
Julie Mehretu	June 26 – September 20, 2020
David Hammons: Day's End	2020
Jasper Johns	Opens Fall 2020

The Whitney Museum of American Art is located at 99 Gansevoort Street between Washington and West Streets, New York City. Museum hours are: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Sunday from 10:30 am to 6 pm; Friday and Saturday from 10:30 am to 10 pm. Closed Tuesday except in July and August. Adults: \$25. Full-time students, visitors 65 & over, and visitors with disabilities: \$18. Visitors 18 years & under and Whitney members: FREE. Admission is pay-what-you-wish on Fridays, 7–10 pm. For general information, please call (212) 570-3600 or visit whitney.org.

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