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Education

BFA, Pratt Institute, Brooklyn, NY MFA in Painting and Printmaking, Yale University of Art, New Haven, CT Skowhegan School for Painting and Sculpture

Selected Solo Exhibitions

- 2024 TBA, Wave Hill Public Garden and Cultural Center, Bronx, NY (forthcoming) TBA, Halsey Institute of Contemporary Art Charleston, SC (forthcoming)
- 2023 When the Children Come Home, ICA Philadelphia, Philadelphia, PA so you are back again, you are here, and we are here with you, Galleria Poggiali, Milan, IT
- 2021 icutfromthemidaletogetabetterslice, moniquemeloche, Chicago, IL
- 2019 One Day I'll Turn the Corner and I'll Be Ready for it, moniquemeloche, Chicago, IL
- 2018 Wegivesomuchandyetgivenothing, paintings for Richard, Residency Arts, Los Angeles, CA Amillionlittlepieces, Ramapo College Gallery, Mahwah, NJ
- 2017 Butterfliesandvioletunicorns, Delaware County Collage Gallery, Media, PA
- 2016 For I Am—Or I Was, thereturnofthedirtyboys, Gateway Projects Spaces, Newark, NJ
- 2015 Alwaysagoodtime, Momenta Arts, Brooklyn, NY
- 2013 TAKEABITE, elduendealwaystravels...light, Taller Puertorriqueño, Philadelphia, PA

Selected Group Exhibitions

- 2025 TBA, Minneapolis Institute of Art, Minneapolis, MN (forthcoming)
- 2023 Togetherness, Green Family Foundation, Conshohocken, PA (forthcoming) Portrait as Place/Place as Portraiture, Tufts University Art Galleries, Medford, MA {Under}flow, Zuckerman Museum, Kennesaw, GA Something Beautiful: Reframing La Colección, El Museo del Barrio, New York, NY Queer is Love, Lehman College Art Gallery, Bronx, NY; La MaMa Galleria, New York, NY Felix Art Fair, Hollywood Roosevelt Hotel, Los Angeles, CA
- 2022 New England Triennial 2022, deCordova Sculpture Park and Museum, Lincoln, MA Elegies: Still Lifes in Contemporary Art, MoAD, San Francisco, CA; Telfair Museums, Savannah, GA
 - A Place for Me: Figurative Painting Now, ICA Boston, Boston, MA
- 2019 Nobody Promised You Tomorrow, Brooklyn Museum, Brooklyn, NY
 Perilous Bodies, Ford Foundation, New York, NY
 Transamerica/n: Painting, McNay Museum, San Antonio, TX
 The Outwin 2019: American Portraiture Today, Smithsonian National Portrait Gallery, Washington, D.C
- 2018 Mirror, Mirror, Rutgers University, Paul Robeson Gallery, Newark, NJ Oh, What a World! What a World! Visual Arts Center of New Jersey, Summit, NJ
- 2017 Crafted Stranger, Center for Craft, Creativity, and Design, Asheville, NC

Selected Group Exhibitions (cont.)

- 2016 Figure Form: New Acquisitions, El Museo Del Barrio, New York, NY Look Up Here: I'm in Heaven, BRIC, Brooklyn, NY
- 2015 Portraiture Now, National Hispanic Cultural Center in Albuquerque, Albuquerque, NM
- 2014 Portraiture Now, National Portrait Gallery, Smithsonian, Washington D.C
- 2012 La Placita, Islip Museum, Long Island, NY

Performances

- 2018 The Least Orthodox Goddess IV, Jenkin Johnson Gallery, Brooklyn, NY
- 2017 Meca: Green, how Iwantyou green, The Conservatory of Music of Puerto Rico, San Juan, Puerto Rico
- 2016 St. Croix Take Five: Green, howlwantyougreen, Caribbean Museum Center for the Arts, Frederiksted
 - Green, how Iwantyou green, Gateway Project Spaces, Newark, NJ How to Order a Chocolate Cake, BRIC, Brooklyn, NY
- 2015 How to Order a Chocolate Cake, The High Line Park of AiOP, New York, NY Green, howlwantyougreen, Snug Harbor Cultural Center and Botanical Garden, Staten Island, NY
- 2014 The Piano Piece, Longwood Gallery, Bronx, NY Peterpiperwentupthehill, AiOP, New York, NY
- 2013 The Opera, Performa 13, El Museo del Barrio, New York, NY

Grants & Fellowships

- 2018 Neubauer Faculty Fellowship, Boston, MA
- 2017-18 Queer Mentorship/Fellowship, New York, NY
- 2015-16 Skowhegan School of Painting/Sculpture Fellowship Grant Award, Madison, ME

Awards and Residencies

- 2018 Joan Mitchell Painting and Sculpture Award, New York, NY BRIC/Workspace Residency, Brooklyn, NY
- 2016 Gateway Project Spaces, Newark, NJ
- 2015-16 LMCC Workspace Residency Program, New York, NY
- 2006 Artist in the Marketplace, Bronx Museum of the Arts, NY

Teaching

- 2022 Assistant Professor of Visual Arts, Columbia University School of the Arts, NY
- 2018 Assistant Professor of the Practice in Painting, School of the Museum of Fine Arts at Tufts University
- 2017-19 Adjunct Professor in Advance Painting and Drawing, Montclair State University
- 2017 Adjunct Professor in Advance Painting, Hunter College
- 2013-18 Adjunct Professor in Painting and Drawing, York CUNY College

Bibliography

- 2023 Le Breton, Ayesha. "When the Children Come Home to Philadelphia," Office. September 20 Baker, Brandon. "Duo of exhibitions showcase 'Moveables' and Portraiture," Penn Today. September 7
 - "Hyperallergics Fall 2023 New York Art Guide," Hyperallergic. September 1
 - "Penn's Institute of Contemporary Art Mounts Two New Exhibits This Fall," Almanac. August 15 Esposito, Veronica. "'They don't come with rules': David Antonio Cruz celebrates queer chosen families," the Guardian. August 15

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Dimambro, Angeline. "Assistant Professor David Antonio Cruz Stages First Solo Exhibition in Philadelphia," Columbia University School of the Arts. August 4

Sánchez-Vallejo, María Antonia. "New York's 'El Museo del Barrio' reinvents itself with new permanent collection," El País. May 23

Barragán, Carlos. "This is Who We Are: David Antonio Cruz," Columbia University School of the Arts. April 19

Bradley, Timothy E.; Carollo, Elisa; Wahi, Jasmine. "David Antonio Cruz: so you are back again, you are here, and we are here with you," Galleria Poggiali, Catalogue. April Belfiore, Caroline. "In Milan, the Premiere of American artist David Antonio Cruz: Between

Fashion, Art History, Gender and Racial Issues," ArtLife. March 16

2022 Woodcock, Victoria. "Diverse Voices: The Changing Face of Curating", Elephant. September Armstrong, Annie. "At the Armory Show, David Antonio Cruz's Painting of Chosen Families Sparked Joy—and hinted at Where the Market's Tastes Lie", Artnet News. September Saccoccia, Susan. "Eight Figurative painters explore friends, family, and self in 'A Place for Me' at ICA", The Bay State Banner. August 17

Williams, Lauren. "5 Things to do this weekend, including the return of the Gardner's hanging nasturtiums and a Salem arts pop-up", WBUR Local Coverage. March 31

Bouranova, Alene. "25 Things to See, Do, and Hear This Spring", Boston.

Whyte, Murray. "At the ICA, 'A Place for ME' breathes new life into an old art form", The Boston Globe. May 12

Dafoe, Taylor. "Figuration Is the Art of Our Era for a Simple Reason: Because Artists Are Painting 'What They Love'", Artnet News. April 12

Reynolds, Pamela. "13 Art exhibits to brighten up the darkness of winter", WBUR. January 10

- 2021 Moreira-Brown, Caira. "Filling the Void: A Review of David Antonio Cruz". December
- 2020 Elizondo, Jason. "Interview: David Antonio Cruz", The Brooklyn Rail. December
- 2019 Binlot, Ann. "David Antonio Cruz, the artist giving LGBTQ victims of violence a place in art history", Document Journal. October 18

Cowan, Katy. "David Antonio Cruz, timely paintings that explore the injustices against LGBTQ and BAME communities", Creative Boom. August 7

Vogel, Wendy. "Nobody Promised You Tomorrow: After 50 Years After Stonewall", Art in America. June

Zarly, David. "The Best Exhibition in Chicago this Weekend", Frieze. September Moreira-Brown, Caira. "Centering the Marginalized: A Review of David Antonio Cruz at Monique Meloche Gallery", New City Art. September

- 2017 McVoy, Kurt. "Take 5", Whitehot Magazine Hernandez, Jasmine. "Studio Visit", Gallery Girls
- 2016 Rodney, Seph. "Portraits of the Self as Tickets to Paradise", Hyperallergic Embusco, Rain. "16 Must See Summer Shows Featuring Queer Artists", Artnet McVoy, Kurt. "The Return of the Dirty Boys", Whitehot Magazine Embusco, Rain. "Editors' Picks: 12 Art Events to See This Week"
- 2015 Schwendender, Martha. "Portraiture Now", New York Times Dees, Sasha. "Portraiture Now", ARC Carrion, Kelly. "Latino Indentity Through the Self", NBC News
- 2014 Che, Jenny. "Portraits Through Our Faces", WSJ Dees, Sasha. "Alwaysagoodtime", ARC
- 2013 Monson, Lauren. "Hola, Art Lover", Journal USA Norman, Lee Ann. "Takeabite", Bomb
- 2012 "Studio Magazine", Studio Museum in Harlem
- 2011 Norman, Lee Ann. "Come Flybabyboyfly with Me", ArtSlant
- 2010 Cotter, Holland. "Art In Review", New York Times.

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Public Collections

Green Family Art Foundation, Dallas, TX El Museo De Barrio, New York, NY Institute of Contemporary Art, Boston, MA Pierce & Hill Harper Arts Foundation, Detroit, MI The Philbrook Museum of Art, Tulsa, OK 21c Museum Hotels, Louisville, KY