

# KELECHI NWANERI

Born in 1994 in Nigeria.

Lives and works in Lagos

## EDUCATION

2015 Bachelor's degree in Agricultural extension from the University of Nigeria.

## SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2024 Kristin Hjellegjerde Gallery, London, UK
- 2023 Red, Kristin Hjellegjerde Gallery, Berlin, Germany
- 2022 Finding Balance, Kristin Hjellegjerde Gallery, London, UK
- 2021 Myths, Kristin Hjellegjerde Gallery, Berlin, Germany  
Through My Eyes at AKKA Project, Venice, Italy
- 2020 Modern Marks, Ebony Curated, South Africa

## GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2025 (Upcoming) *Group Exhibition*, Kristin Hjellegjerde Gallery, London, UK  
Undersea, Hastings Contemporary, Hastings, UK
- 2023 Where the Wild Roses Grow, Kristin Hjellegjerde Gallery, Schloss Görne, Germany  
Les Enchantées, curated by Nicola E. Petek & Stephan Klee, HAUNT Gallery, Berlin, Germany
- 2022 *The Black Ghost*, Primo Marella Gallery, Milan, Italy  
*African Contemporary Art Fair Paris*, AKKA Project, Paris, France

*Untitled Miami Beach*, with Kristin Hjellegjerde Gallery, Miami, USA

*Enter Art Fair*, Kristin Hjellegjerde Gallery, Denmark

*Art Dubai*, AKKA Project, Dubai, United Arab Emirates

2021 *1-54 New York*, New York, USA

*Untitled Miami*, Kristin Hjellegjerde Gallery

*Facing The Sun*, Schloss Goerne, Germany

*Untitled Miami 2021*, Kristin Hjellegjerde Gallery

*Stop. Listen* at CFHILL Gallery, Stockholm, Sweden

*Art X Lagos*, SMO Contemporary Art

2020 *All the Days and Nights*, Kristin Hjellegjerde Gallery, London

*Doors, eyes and tribal marks*, AKAA Project, Dubai, United Arab Emirates

Latitude Art fair online, Ebony Curated

1:54, New York

2019 *STASIS*, SMO Contemporary Art Gallery, Temple Muse, Victoria Island Lagos, Nigeria

*SECRET GARDEN*, ODA gallery, Fransccheok, Western Cape, South Africa.

2018 *Ode to mankind*, Artyrama Gallery, CFAO building, Victoria Island, Lagos, Nigeria  
Spanish Festivals and traditional celebrations, Thought Pyramids Gallery, Maitama, Abuja, Nigeria

2016 Exploring the Goldmine Inherent in Nigerian Creative Industries, National Festival for Art and Culture (NAFEST), Ibom hall, Uyo, Nigeria

## RESIDENCES

2020 AKKA Project, Oct - Dec, Venice, Italy

## **COLLECTIONS**

The Birmingham Museum of Art, USA

The Bunker Artspace Museum, USA

Susan Goodman Collection, USA

Arthur Lewis Collection, USA

Africa First Collection, Tel Aviv, Israel Easton Capital Collection, USA

Embassy of Spain Abuja, Nigeria

CC Pounder Collection, Senegal

Dee Kerrison Collection, USA

## **PRESS**

2022 Kelechi Nwaneri: Using Cultural Symbols to Tell Stories, Njideka Agbo, Guardian  
Nigeria Kelechi Nwaneri's Contemporary Surrealism, Paul Laster, White Hot  
Magazine of Contemporary Art

2021 Black portraiture and the gaze: 'Everything was beautiful and nothing hurt',  
Nkgopoleng Moloi, Mail&Guardian  
Kelechi Nwaneri: West African Iconography, Psychology, Environmental Issues,  
Tulika Bahadur, On Art and Aesthetics

2020 Dreams That Money Can Buy: An Interview with Kelechi Nwaneri, Paul Laster,  
Art&Object News  
Now's the Time : Eight African Painters, White Hot Magazine of Contemporary  
Art

The 1-54 Studio visit series : Kelechi Nwaneri , 154

15 African Artists on the rise, Wabwire Joseph Ian, Artsy