What Matters...

A Collection of Portraits and Stories from UM and TSU Art Departments

University of Michigan William Monroe Trotter Multicultural Center 428 South State Ann Arbor, MI 48109

Tennessee State University Hiram Van Gordon Gallery Elliott Hall / 1124 37th Ave N Nashville, TN 37209 Center Open October 1
Event Friday, October 4
Close November 15 2019

Open August 24 DIGITALLY Event Friday, September 1pm Close September 18 2020

What Matters...A Collection of Portraits and Stories from University of Michigan and Tennessee State University Art Departments brings the two schools together to look at new ways to build community. The show examines what each artists views as important and that through honoring differences, our contributions and histories individually make the best future for all.

What Matters... will start at University of Michigan opening October 1st through November 15th with a reception on October 4th, 2019; then move to Tennessee State University's Hiram Van Gordon Gallery DIGITALLY (https://bit.ly/2FyTzm3) displayed from August 24th through September 18th with an ONLINE Artist Talk on September 11th, 2020 at 1pm. Register for the Artist TALK (bit.ly/31ZFSUL).

What Matters... creates a representation of the diversity that we want our world to be made of. Students and Professors will use visuals, found materials and stories to create a judgement free way of hearing and seeing new cultures, people and experiences.

What Matters... gives us a chance to reflect not only on our identities and perceptions, but also on our world and our effect in it. Artists are able to tell their story, experience, stance; showing what defines them outside of the way they may be outwardly perceived.

What Matters... utilizes reuse elements. Can we look sustainably as we move forward in creating our just-world. Art school and school in general are a perfect time to demonstrate new paradigms of respecting the earth. Each movement is our future, what might truly result as each artist looks at resources differently.

What Matters...A Collection of Portraits and Stories from UM and TSU Art Departments ask the artists to share with the viewers from each university your community, as you get a chance to learn about theirs in return. This will create a collective, an exchange that gives you the ability to see and learn from your neighbor.

UM students and faculty; Lauren Mills, Kevin Moore Jr., Lia New, Seth St. Pierre, Marianetta Porter, Franc Nunoo-Quarcoo, Destini Riley, Lakyla Thomas, Taryn Wilcher, Abigail Williams TSU students and faculty; Nuveen Barwari, Cassie Bright, Floyd Ivy III, Carlyle Johnson, Courtney Adair Johnson, Michael McBride, Lakesha Moore, Caleb Wallace, Ranijah Wright.



