

THE ARTISTS CANVAS

Collective show

5 December - 30 January 2022



Isaac Emokpae, A King's Dilemma 2021, Gold/gilding paint on canvas, 52 x 40 inches.

Every canvas is a visual representation of the artists' mind. - Affinity Art Gallery, 2021

In celebration of her first anniversary, **Affinity Art Gallery** presents 'The Artists Canvas' a collective show presenting works of modern artists including Muraina Oyelami, Rufus Ogundele, Samuel Ovranti, Amos Odion, Emmanuel Ekong Ekefrey, mid-level career artists, Isaac Emokpae, Kelani Abass, Alex Nwokolo, Phillips Nzekwe, Ebong Ekwere, Akachukwu Emeka, Marshall Nwauwa, and contemporary artist Anne Adams.

This amalgamation of works exhibited creates a cross-section of generations that draws a bridge with the past and present, expressively incorporating raw materials, all with a solid foundation. The collective show references the lineage of African artists, attempting to evoke memories of culture and contemporary archives using layers of complex traditions solidified through years of artists' practice. This fragmented narrative tells a story of resilience and growth and suggests hidden worlds with the now-historical visual vocabulary of the artists.

Reflecting on a challenging first year due to the global health crisis, Olugbemiro Arinosa the director of the gallery said, "We have been on an exciting learning curve in the past year. So far, we have hosted four exhibitions featuring some of the very best emerging artistic minds Africa has to offer. This has been very much a team effort; our staff, artists, sponsors, partners, collectors, and the wider Art community have all been supportive as we continue to innovate and grow. The African art industry has changed so much in the last ten years, and we are proud to be contributing our part in its continued development and success".

For more information, visit www.affinityart.gallery

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Exhibition Opening Hours:

Tuesday –Saturday, 11 am –6 pm

Sundays are by appointment only.

Affinity Art Gallery,

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NOTES TO EDITORS

About Affinity Art Gallery

Affinity Art gallery is a Modern and Contemporary Gallery dedicated to the promotion and celebration of African artists who are passionately sharing the African narrative with their works.

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