



# DINNER GALLERY

Adrienne Elise Tarver

Born 1985 in New Jersey  
Lives and works in Brooklyn, NY

## BIO

Working in a variety of different mediums, Adrienne Elise Tarver questions the authenticity of the current environment which has dramatically changed over time to satisfy contemporary needs. Looking at the present through the lens of the past, Tarver recognizes how the complexities of world history have compounded into modern-day reality and affect how we address our future. Weaving together personal references, Afrofuturist imagery, and lush vegetation, Tarver denotes power and agency to a cast of Black subjects whose prompts may alter the course of tomorrow.

## EDUCATION

2011 MFA, School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL  
2007 BFA, Boston University, Boston, MA, Painting, Printmaking, Art History

## SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2023 Absorbing the Storm, Art Shack Gallery, Brooklyn, NY  
To Learn the Dark, Ochi Projects, Los Angeles, CA  
2022 Manifesting Paradise, Academy Art Museum, Easton, MD  
2021 The Sun, the Moon & the Truth, Aldrich Museum of Contemporary Art, Ridgefield, CT  
Underfoot, Atlanta Contemporary, Atlanta, GA  
Terra Incognita, Art-in-Buildings, New York, NY  
2020 Escape, Victori + Mo, New York, NY  
History Reclaimed, Hollis Taggart, New York, NY  
Handle with Care, Wedge Curatorial, Toronto, ON, CA  
2019 Veil, Gallery 310, Marietta College, Marietta, OH  
2018 Mirage, Ochi Projects, Los Angeles, CA  
Origin: Fictions of Belonging, Wave Hill, Sunroom Project Space, Bronx, NY  
2017 Secrets of Leaves, Victori+Mo, Brooklyn, NY  
2016 Stories of Shadows, Victori+Mo, Brooklyn, NY  
2016 Eavesdropping, BRIC Project Space, Brooklyn, NY  
2013 In the Eaves - A-M Gallery - Sydney, Australia  
2009 Paintings, Drawings & Installations – Art Matrix Gallery – Chicago, IL



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## SELECT GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2023 Reminisce, Hollis Taggart, New York, NY  
Faculty and Staff Show, Pratt Institute - Schafner Gallery, Brooklyn, NY
- 2022 Our Blue Planet, Seattle Art Museum, Seattle, WA  
"Figure, Character, Sign" - A Plus A Gallery, Venice, Italy  
"Arrangements in Black" - Phillips New York, New York, NY
- 2021 Group Chat - Julius Caesar, Chicago, IL  
On The Road: Chocolate Cities - Tone Gallery, Memphis, TN  
Stopgap - Massimo De Carlo Gallery, VSpace  
Becoming Buoyant - Ortega y Gasset Projects, Brooklyn, NY
- 2020 Abstract is not a Style - Hollis Taggart, Southport, CT  
Interiors: hello from the living room - 1969 Gallery, NY, NY  
Art on the Grid - Public Art Fund, New York  
The Pursuit of Aesthetics - Morgan Lehman, New York, NY  
Inside Art - Children's Museum of Manhattan, New York, NY
- 2019 These Times are Racing - Arisohn + Murphy, Highline 9, NY  
Plastic Garden, Asya Geisberg Gallery, New York, NY  
SPF 32, Brooklyn, NY  
Foliaform, Goucher College, Baltimore, MD  
Human Nature, Tiger Strikes Asteroid, Brooklyn, NY
- 2018 Pulse Projects & Collaborations, Pulse Art Fair, Miami, FL  
Art, Artists, and You - Children's Museum of Manhattan  
Mirrored By Nature, Welancora Gallery, Brooklyn, NY  
Queer Tropics, Pelican Bomb at Transformer, Washington, DC  
Indoor Outside, Spring Break Art Show, New York, NY  
Keepsake - Galleries Night, Bangkok, Thailand
- 2017 Queer Tropics, Pelican Bomb, New Orleans, LA  
Bronx Calling: Fourth AIM Biennial, Bronx Museum of the Arts, Bronx, NY  
The Secret Life of Plants, Freight+Volume, New York, NY  
Plant Patterns- Arsenal Gallery, New York, NY  
Threshold, Codify Art at Underdonk Gallery, Brooklyn, NY  
Parting and Together, Greenpoint Hill Gallery, Brooklyn, NY  
Duty Free, Ground Floor Gallery, Brooklyn, NY  
Summer in the City: The Brooklyn Show - Newburyport, MA
- 2016 Pulse/Trigger, Sine Gallery, Newark, NJ  
Plus One (+1) - Trestle Contemporary, Brooklyn, NY



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- BRIC Gala Auction - BRIC Arts Media, Brooklyn, NY  
Trestle Benefit Exhibition - Trestle Gallery, Brooklyn, NY  
Childhood Cancer Benefit - On Stellar Rays Gallery, New York, NY  
30 Under 30-ish, Victori+Mo, Brooklyn, NY  
In The Works, Unisex Salon, Brooklyn, NY  
2015 Fresh Catch - Fastnet, Brooklyn, NY  
Winter Benefit - Trestle Gallery, Brooklyn, NY  
PRIME - Trestle Gallery Pop-up Space, Brooklyn, NY  
Posse - Private Residence - Aspen, CO  
Summer Salon - Trestle Gallery - Brooklyn, NY  
2014 Convergence - 808 Gallery - Boston, MA  
Small Works - Trestle Gallery - Brooklyn, NY  
Art Now - NG Gallery - Sydney, Australia  
Randwick Prize Exhibition - Sydney, Australia  
2013 Tutor Exhibition - Art Est Gallery - Sydney, Australia  
2012 Tribute to the Triangle - SNO Centre - Sydney, Australia  
2011 Zodiac - Vermont Studio Center - Johnson, VT  
MFA Thesis Exhibition – Sullivan Galleries, SAIC – Chicago, IL  
2010 No People, Pets, or Flowers - Waddell Space – Chicago, IL  
On Painting – One Night Stand Exhibition, SAIC – Chicago, IL  
Midnite Snacks – 1366 Space – Chicago, IL  
2009 5th Annual Nat'l Self-Portrait Exhibit – 33 Collective – Chicago, IL  
Gallery Guichard – Works by Various Artists – Chicago, IL  
2008 The Commercial Woman – Woman Made Gallery – Chicago, IL  
2007 31st Annual Plaza Art Comp. – Beverly Arts Center – Chicago, IL  
New Art 2007 – MPG Contemporary, Nat'l Comp. – Boston, MA  
BFA Thesis Exhibition – Stone Gallery, CFA – Boston, MA  
Fifth Annual Arches Student Print Show – 808 Gallery - Boston, MA  
Cartography Portfolio Exhibit – S.G.C. Conference – Kansas City, MO  
2006 Fourth Annual Arches Print Show – 808 Gallery – Boston, MA  
President's House/ Sloan House – Boston University – Boston, MA  
Galleria Sottoportego - Scuola Int. di Grafica - Venice, Italy

## AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

- 2020 Google Artist-in-Residence and Commission  
2019-2021 MTA Arts & Design Mount Vernon Bridge Commission  
2019 Art Aspen Inaugural Artist Commission  
2017-2018 Lower East Side Printshop, Keyholder Residency  
2017 Bronx Museum of the Arts: AIM Program



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- 2016 Publication Fellowship - Peripheral Vision Arts  
2014 Distinguished Artist Scholarship-Vyt Residency, Art Students League of New York  
2011 Pavlis Full Fellowship Award – Vermont Studio Center  
Featured Photographer – Focus Project  
Kraus Family Foundation Award – World Studio AIGA Scholarship  
Carol Gluckman Scholarship; SAIC
- 2007 Beverly Arts Center Honorable Mention Award  
School of Visual Arts Purchase Award, Boston University  
Honorable Mention – New Art 2007: MPG Contemporary

## RESIDENCIES

- 2023 Bed-Stuy Brooklyn, Art Shack Artist Residency  
2022 World Trade Center, Silver Art Projects Residency  
2018 Lower East Side Printshop, Keyholder Residency  
2017 Bronx Museum of the Arts: AIM Program  
2015 Brooklyn Art Space Studio Residency  
2014 The League Residency at Vyt - New York - Distinguished Artist Scholarship  
2011 Vermont Studio Center Residency – Pavlis Full Fellowship Recipient  
2008 Caversham Centre for Artists and Writers - South Africa

## PRESS & PUBLICATIONS

- 2022 Oxford American - "Weary As I can Be" - Fall 2022  
2021 Forbes - "In A New Body Of Work, Adrienne Elise Tarver Sets A \$21 Million Plantation On Fire" - October 28.  
2020 CFA Magazine - "Mining the past, Mirroring the Present" - Fall  
WhiteHot Magazine - "Best of Nov 2020: Interiors at 1969 Gallery" - November.  
Brooklyn Rail - "The Pursuit of Aesthetics" - July/Aug  
WhiteHot Magazine - "Highlights from Intersect Aspen Online" - July.  
Wide Walls - "History Reclaimed at Hollis Taggart" - June 8.  
ArtNet News - "Editor's Picks: 17 Things Not to Miss..." - March 2.  
New York Times - "What to see Right Now in New York Art Galleries" - February 20.  
New York Times - "Grown-up Art at a Children's Museum" - February 14.  
2019 Aspen Times - "Art Aspen commissioned artist Adrienne Elise Tarver on making 'In Fertile Shadows'" - August 1.  
Whitewall Magazine - "Art Aspen Awards Adrienne Elise Tarver with Inaugural



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- Artist Commission" - July 25.  
ArtNews.com - "Art Industry News" - July 30.
- 2018 Pour Over Magazine, Issue 3 - "Looking and Being Looked At" - June.  
ArtZealous.com-"Art Power Women Series: Adrienne Elise Tarver"-December 10.  
Ecotone Magazine - "On Eavesdropping" - Spring/Summer.
- 2017 Art Practical, "New Takes: Adrienne Elise Tarver", March 13.  
The Ingenue Magazine, Issue 5, "Great Women Artists".  
Hyperallergic, "Peeping Through a Painted, Sculpted Jungle", March 17.  
Whitewall Magazine, "Adrienne Elise Tarver on Secrets of Leaves at Victori+Mo",  
March 6.  
Brooklyn Magazine, "Assuming is Dangerous: Talking with Adrienne Elise  
Tarver", March.
- 2016 Bedford + Bowery, "Art Hearts...More art to see this week", February 13.  
ArtNet News, "14 Emerging Female Artists to Watch in 2017", December 21.  
ArtZealous.com, "Voyeurism & Stories of Shadows with Adrienne Elise Tarver",  
December 15.  
Blouin Art Info, "Adrienne Elise Tarver at Victori+ Mo Gallery, New York",  
December 8.  
Brooklyn Magazine, "Look Harder: Good Art Things to See this Week",  
December 7.  
ArtNet News, "Editor's Picks: 6 things to see in New York this week",  
December 5.  
Lisa Volpe. "The Numinous Artwork of Adrienne Elise Tarver." Peripheral Vision,  
no. 2.  
Frameworkmagazine.com, "Three Things to see: Gowanus Open Studios",  
October 14.  
Hyperallergic.com, "Your Concise Guide to Gowanus Open Studios 2016" -  
October 13.
- 2015 On-Verge.org, "In Conversation: Adrienne Tarver", May 13.  
Hyperallergic.com, "Favorites from Gowanus Open Studios 2015", October 20.
- 2013 Sydney Morning Herald, Spectrum, "Open Gallery - In The Eaves", June 22.
- 2009 Chicago Tribune, "A Mixed Bag of Contemporary Art...", May 22.  
Gapers Block: Online News, "Fresh Paint", November 9.
- 2006 BU Today, Boston University daily online newspaper, October.
- 2003 Chicago Daily Herald Newspaper, "Colors of Love...", May.