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SALMAN TOOR

Born 1983, Lahore, Pakistan Lives and works in New York, NY

EDUCATION

2009 MFA, Painting, Pratt Institute, Brooklyn, NY 2006 BFA with honors, Painting and Drawing, Ohio Wesleyan University, Delaware, OH

AWARDS AND HONORS

2019 Painters and Sculptors Grant, Joan Mitchell Foundation, New York, NY

SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2022-2024

Salman Toor: New Paintings and Drawings, M WOODS, Beijing, China Salman Toor: No Ordinary Love, Baltimore Museum of Art, Baltimore, MD; Tampa Museum of Art, Tampa, FL; Honolulu Museum of Art, Honolulu, HI; Rose Art Museum, Brandeis University, Waltham, MA*

2021-2022

Salman Toor: Music Room, Hayward Gallery Billboard, Queen Elizabeth Hall, London, England

2020-2021

How Will I Know, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, NY*

2019-2020

Salman Toor: I Know a Place, Nature Morte Gallery, New Delhi, India

2019

New Paintings, O Art Space, Lahore, Pakistan

2018

Time After Time, Aicon Gallery, New York, NY

2017

Short Stories, Canvas Gallery, Karachi, Pakistan*

* A catalogue was published with this exhibition.

2015

Salman Toor: Drawings from 'The Electrician', Honey Ramka, New York, NY Resident Alien, Aicon Gallery, New York, NY*

2014

Close Quarters, Canvas Gallery, Karachi, Pakistan*

2013

The Happy Servant, Aicon Gallery, New York, NY

2011

I ♥ Kitsch, Rohtas II Gallery, Lahore, Pakistan

2010

New Paintings, Canvas Gallery, Karachi, Pakistan

2009

Three Paintings, Kahlo Gallery, Lebrón-Wiggins-Pran Cultural Center, Hampshire College, Amherst, MA

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2025

Nightshade: The World in the Evening, Oakland University Art Gallery, Auburn Hills, MI

2024-2026

Shifting Landscapes, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, NY

2024-2025

Manzar: Art & Architecture from Pakistan 1940s to Today, National Museum of Qatar, Doha, Qatar Mirror of the Mind: Figuration in the Jorge M. Pérez Collection, El Espacio 23, Miami, FL Queer Histories, MASP Museu de Arte de São Paulo, São Paulo, Brazil Spirit House, Cantor Arts Center, Stanford University, Stanford, CA*

2024

Effetto Notte: Day for Night: New American Realsim, Aïshti Foundation at Palazzo Barberini, Rome, Italy Full Disclosure: Selections from the Thomas-Suwall Collection, Plains Art Museum, Fargo, ND Le monde comme il va/ The World As It Goes, Bourse de Commerce – Pinault Collection, Paris, France* Luhring Augustine x MASA, MASA, Mexico City, Mexico Mirror of the Mind: Figuration in the Jorge M. Pérez Collection, El Espacio 23, Miami, FL Stranieri Ovunque – Foreigners Everywhere, 60th Venice Biennale, Venice, Italy

When You See Me: Visibility in Contemporary Art, Dallas Museum of Art, Dallas, TX Yours Truly, Nahmad Contemporary, New York, NY

2023-2024

Capturing the Moment, Tate Modern, London, England*

Seven Rooms and a Garden: Rashid Johnson + Moderna Museet, Moderna Museet, Stockholm, Sweden This Is New York: 100 Years of the City in Art and Pop Culture, Museum of the City of New York, New York, NY

Togetherness: For Better or Worse, Green Family Art Foundation, Dallas, TX *The World That Belongs to Us*, New Art Gallery Walsall, Walsall, England

2023

Beautiful, Vivid, Self-Contained, Hill Art Foundation, New York, NY* Brave New World: 16 Painters for the 21st Century, Museum de Fundatie, Zwolle, The Netherlands* Close, GRIMM, London, England*

Very Small Feelings, Dhaka Art Summit, Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy, Dhaka, Bangladesh; Kiran Nadar Museum of Art, New Delhi, India

2022-2023

Dark Light: Realism in the Age of Post-Truths, Aïshti Foundation, Jal El Dib, Lebanon Manifesto of Fragility: The Many Lives and Deaths of Louise Brunet, 16e Biennale d'Art Contemporain Lyon, macLYON, Lyon, France* Manifesto of Fragility: A World of Engless Promise, 16e Biennale d'Art Contemporain Lyon, URDLA

Manifesto of Fragility: A World of Endless Promise, 16e Biennale d'Art Contemporain Lyon, URDLA, Villeurbane, France

2022

Based on a True Story, Museum of Contemporary Art Chicago, Chicago, IL Brave New World: 16 Painters for the 21st Century, Museum De Fundatie, Zwolle, The Netherlands Luncheon on the Grass, Jeffrey Deitch, Los Angeles, CA My Reflection of You, The Perimeter, London, England* Pictus Porrectus: Reconsidering the Full-Length Portrait, Art & Newport at Isaac Bell House and Salon at Rosecliff, The Preservation Society of Newport County, Newport, RI

2021-2022

Any Distance Between Us, RISD Museum, Providence, RI Living Histories: Queer Views and Old Masters, Frick Madison, New York, NY*

2021

and I will wear you in my heart of heart, FLAG Art Foundation, New York, NY Breakfast Under the Tree, Carl Freedman Gallery, Margate, England Drawing Biennial 2021, Drawing Room, London, England Equal Affections, GRIMM, Amsterdam, The Netherlands* The Pleasure Pavilion: A Series of Installations, Luhring Augustine Bushwick, Brooklyn, NY Plus One, Luhring Augustine, New York, NY

2020-2021

Relations: Diaspora and Painting, PHI Foundation for Contemporary Art, Montréal, Canada; Esker Foundation, Calgary, Canada*

2020

Art on the Grid: 50 Artists' Reflections on the Pandemic, Public Art Fund, various locations, New York, NY Duro Olowu: Seeing Chicago, Museum of Contemporary Art Chicago, Chicago, IL Form & Figure: Bodies of Art, Grosvenor Gallery, London, England Myselves, Kohn Gallery, Los Angeles, CA Xenia: Crossroads in Portrait Painting, Marianne Boesky, New York, NY

2019

Home Is Not a Place, Anat Ebgi Gallery, Los Angeles, CA *Likeness of Being: Portraiture in the Selfie Age*, Aicon Gallery, New York, NY *Them*, Galerie Perrotin, New York, NY

2018

Are You Here?, Lahore Biennale 2018, Lahore, Pakistan

2016

Go Figure, Aicon Gallery, New York, NY Kochi-Muziris Biennale, Kochi, India

2014

Wrech, Honey Ranka, New York, NY

2013

Cinephiliac: Art Transcending Technology and Motion, Twelve Gates Art Gallery, Philadelphia, PA *Return of the Native*, Rohtas II Gallery, Lahore, Pakistan

2012

Letters to Taseer II, Drawing Room Gallery, Lahore, Pakistan Stop, Play, Pause, Repeat, Lawrie Shabibi Gallery, Dubai, United Arab Emirates

2010

All About Us, Canvas Gallery, Karachi, Pakistan

2009

Exchange Show, Montclair University MFA Gallery, Montclair, NJ I Think the Word Is Dignity, Lumenhouse Gallery, Brooklyn, NY Pratt MFA Thesis Show, Stueben Gallery, Brooklyn, NY Skin Deep, Kips Gallery, New York, NY Wound, Aicon Gallery, London, England

2008

Pratt in Lucca, Piazza del Anfiteatro, Lucca, Italy

SELECTED BIBLIOGRAPHY: MONOGRAPHS AND ARTIST'S BOOKS

2024

Salman Toor: New Paintings and Drawings. Perth: Art Gallery of Western Australia, 2024.

2022

Salman Toor: No Ordinary Love, exh. cat. Baltimore: Baltimore Museum of Art, 2022.

2020

Salman Toor: How Will I Know?, exh. cat. New York: Whitney Museum of American Art, 2020.

2017

Salman Toor: Short Stories, exh. cat. Karachi: Canvas Gallery, 2017.

2015

Salman Toor: Resident Alien, exh. cat. New York: Aicon Gallery, 2015.

2014

Salman Toor: Close Quarters, exh. cat. Karachi: Canvas Gallery, 2014.

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2024

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Rolls-Bentley, Gemma. Queer Art: From Canvas to Club, and the Spaces Between, 44-45. London: Frances Lincoln, 2024.

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2023

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Ng, Aimee, et al. *Living Histories: Queer Views and Old Masters*, exh. cat., 78-91. New York: The Frick Collection, 2023.

Salle, David. Beautiful, Vivid, Self-contained, exh. cat. New York: Hill Art Foundation, 2023.

Tovey, Russell. Close, exh. cat., 109-116. London: GRIMM, 2023.

2022

Amor Mundi: The Collection of Marguerite Steed Hoffman, 799. London: Ridinghouse, 2022.

Dark Light: Realism in the Age of Post-Truths, exh. cat., 519. Milan: Skira, 2023.

The Many Lives and Deaths of Louise Brunet, exh. cat. Milan: Silvana, 2022.

My Reflection of You, exh. cat. London: The Perimeter, 2022.

Prime: Art's Next Generation, 412-415. London: Phaidon, 2022.

Why I Make Art: Contemporary Artists' Stories About Life and Work, 299-311. Los Angeles: Atelier Editions, 2022.

2021

Equal Affections, exh. cat., 49-51. Amsterdam: GRIMM, 2021.

Ghosh, Amitav. Jungle Nama: A Story of the Sundarban. New Delhi: Fourth Estate, 2021.

Tovey, Russell, and Robert Diament. Talk Art, 118-119, 123. San Francisco: Chronicle, 2021.

Young, Edith. Color Scheme: An Irreverent History of Art and Pop Culture in Color Palettes, 37-38. Hudson: Princeton Architectural Press, 2021.

2020

Relations: Diaspora and Painting, exh. cat., 184-188. Munich: Hirmer, 2020.

2016

Koller, Andreas (ed.). "Salman Toor and Hasan Mujtaba." In *Forming in the Pupil of an Eye*, exh. cat., 353-355. Fort Kochi, India: Kochi Biennale Foundation, 2016.

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