

Local black artists work on display at Flatbed Press



Austin artist Dawn Okoro

AUSTIN, TX - Two local black artists, Brent Pheto and Dawn Okoro, are part of the exhibition *Super Saturated*, on view now in the North Gallery at the Flatbed Press arts complex, 2830 E Martin Luther King Blvd. The show, which is sponsored by a Community Initiatives grant from the City of Austin Cultural Arts Division, features work by fifteen different artists from around the globe. The collection of works range from humorous to figurative, fantastical to abstract, but all have in common bold use of color.

The exhibition is anchored by Dawn Okoro's painting *Chassis*. Okoro was raised in Lubbock but has been in Austin for almost 20 years, moving here initially to attend UT. The artist was recently featured in a group exhibition along with the legendary Faith Ringgold at the Museum of Contemporary African Diasporan Arts in New York. Her bold figurative paintings are informed by the techniques of fashion photography, questioning the portrayal of black women and the lifestyle being marketed.

Okoro recently launched Life & Art, a webseries reporting on the day to day realities of life in creative fields.

After graduating from the the School of the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston in 2013, Brent Pheto got to Austin, "As quickly as I could." The artist, who has an upcoming solo exhibition at Flightpath, imbues narrative structure to his exploration of the spectrum of morality via cartoon aesthetics. Pheto's contribution to the show, *Dis-*

turbed/Disrupted, is both whimsical and ominous.

Super Saturated is presented by Flash Collective, an Austin based arts organization focused on curatorial equity and reducing or eliminating costs artists often incur in displaying their work. There will be a reception for the exhibition, with refreshments and opportunity to meet the artists, Friday, June 16th, from 6-8pm. The work is available for sale and will remain on view until June 30th.

CommUnityCare Health Centers Hires New CEO



Dr. Jaeson Fournier

AUSTIN, TX - The CommUnityCare Board of Directors has hired **Jaeson Fournier to be its next Chief Executive Officer (CEO).**

"After a long and very competitive selection process, our Board of Directors is confident Jaeson will be an exceptional leader for our growing organization and we warmly welcome him to our CommUnityCare family," said Christopher Rios, CommUnityCare Board Chair. "Jaeson's significant executive experience as CEO of Minnesota's largest Federally Qualified Health Center makes him the ideal person to take over leadership of CommUnityCare Health Centers, which currently serves over 90,000 patients in our 20 clinics." Fournier starts June 5, 2017. He replaces George Miller who retired from CommUnityCare after 3 years in February 2017.

Fournier currently serves as the CEO for West Side Community Health Services (WSCHS) in St. Paul, Minnesota, where he's responsible for the daily operations of WSCHS - Minnesota's largest Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC). WSCHS is a multi-site, multi-program FQHC organization that operates 17 health center locations.

With more than 15 years of experience as an FQHC executive, Fournier understands the political landscape and advocacy needs of communities that are historically underserved. Fournier brings vast financial experience and interpretation of data for the improvement of service delivery, operation efficiency, and effectiveness.

Fournier has also been involved in advocacy within and through the Primary Care Associations (PCA) of each state in which he has worked. While in Michigan, Fournier served as vice-chair and chair of the PCA Board of Directors. For the last five years, he has served as the Government Relations Committee chair for the Minnesota Association of Community Health Centers and, in conjunction with Association staff and colleagues,

has helped established the state FQHC legislative priorities each year.

"I am thrilled to be joining such a great organization." said Fournier. "And I am looking forward to partnering with the Board, staff, and the community in advancing an integrated system of care that comprehensively meets the needs of those we are so privileged to serve."

Fournier holds a Bachelor of Science in Zoology/Biology from the University of Toronto in Ontario, Canada, as well as a Bachelor of Science in Human Biology from The National College of Chiropractic in Lombard, Illinois. He earned his Masters of Public Health from the University of Illinois at Chicago and completed his Doctor of Chiropractic with the National College of Chiropractic.

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Celebrating 23 Years



AUSTIN, TX - The ROT Rally is celebrating its 23rd year and will take place June 8-11 at the Travis Co. Expo Center, and will arrive in downtown Austin Friday night for the annual Biker Parade June 9 at 7:45 p.m.

The Republic of Texas (ROT) Rally will celebrate its 22nd anniversary in 2017. For 23 years, the ROT Rally has brought bike riders and enthusiasts from all 50 states and international locations to Austin, Texas for the largest "turnstile" (paid ticketed attendees) motorcycle bike rally in the United States.

The ROT Rally is held at the Travis County Expo Center, and is widely known for its downtown Austin bike parade, which closes off more than 50 city blocks and ends on Congress Avenue in front of the Texas State Capitol. The ROT Rally attracts distinguished musical acts and entertainers from Willie Nelson, Sammy Hagar, Joan Jett, Hank Williams Jr. and Lynyrd Skynyrd.

For more information about the ROT Rally visit www.rotrally.com and on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

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JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION 2017

Mark Your Calendar!

June 10

7 am - 9 am: Green & Clean Neighborhood Project

4 pm: Scholarship Pageant

June 17

9:30 am - 2k Run/Walk

10 am Historical Parade

12 Noon - 8 pm: Park Festival

More Info: <http://www.juneteenthcentraltexas.com/>

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Juneteenth Celebration Activities

June 2017

La Grange, Texas 78945

We will celebrate Juneteenth a week before to be able to include more participation from the Tri-County area.

Theme: Unity in the Community

9 June, 2017	7:00pm	Gospel Explosion Contact Debra Stewart 979-525-8771
10 June, 2017	10:00am	Parade Starting Point on N. Jackson Street; the East side of HEB Contact Verlia Mosley for entry form 979-702-9441
10 June, 2017	11:30am	Lunch Lunch will be served at Randolph Rec. Ctr. 653 East Pearl Street
10 June, 2017	5:00pm	Juneteenth on the Square Plenty of fun for the kids and adults. DJ playing any and all types of music - if you don't hear it, request it.

There will be booths - Please contact Verlia Mosley if you wish to participate 979-702-9441

We are accepting interested persons to join us as members with new ideas to help promote this historical event in our community. Please contact kingssnooty64@gmail.com

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at Flatbed Press and Gallery
2830 E MLK Blvd ATX 78702

on view June 1st-June 30th
Reception June 16th 6-8pm

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the world!

