JULIE MEHRETU

Born: Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, 1970

Lives and works in New York City.

Education: MFA, honors, Rhode Island School of Design, 1997

BA, Kalamazoo College, 1992

University Cheik Anta Diop, Dakar, Senegal, 1990-91

Awards: Amref Artball, New York, 2023

Brandywine Honour and Print edition, 50th Anniversary/ Lifetime achievement awards

Gala, Phildelphia, 2022

Travel and Engagement, FRONT 2022, Cleveland Triennial, 2022

Storefront Art 40th Anniversary honoring JM, Angel Oresanz Foundation on LES, 2022 BWA's Lifetime Achievement Award for Artists, Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts,

Philadelphia, 2022

National Academician, National Academy of Design, 2021

Elected Member, American Academy of Arts and Sciences, 2021

Liberty Award for Artistic Leadership, New York US, 2018

Department of State Medal of Arts Award, 2015 Barnett and Annalee Newman Award, 2013

Berlin Prize, Guna S. Mundheim Fellowship, The American Academy in

Berlin, 2007

Joyce Award, 2007

Rhode Island School of Design Alumni Council Artistic Achievement Award, RI, 2006

MacArthur Fellow, 2005

American Art Award, Whitney Museum of Art, New York, 2005 Distinguished Alumni Achievement Award, Kalamazoo College,

Kalamazoo, Michigan, 2005

Artist-in-Residency, Walker Art Center, Minneapolis, 2003

Artist-in-Residency, Headlands Center for the Arts, Sausalito, California, 2003

Joan Mitchell Foundation Grant, 2003 Penny McCall Foundation Grant, 2002

The Louis Comfort Tiffany Foundation Grant, 2001

AIR Program at the Studio Museum in Harlem, New York, 2001

Pat Hearn Inaugural Award, 2001

CORE Program, Glassell School of Art, Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, 1997-98 Rhode Island School of Design Presidential Scholar Fall Tuition Award, 1995-97

SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2023 Julie Mehretu, White Cube, London, UK

2022 Julie Mehretu: With an Installation by Robin Coste Lewis, Galerie Marian Goodman,

Paris, France

2021 Julie Mehretu, Walker Art Center, Minneapolis, MN Julie Mehretu, Carlier I Gebauer, Berlin, Germany Julie Mehretu, Carlier I Gebauer, Madrid, Spain Julie Mehretu, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York 2020 about the space of half an hour, Marian Goodman Gallery, New York Julie Mehretu, High Museum of Art, Atlanta, GA 2019 Julie Mehretu, LACMA, Los Angeles, CA Julie Mehretu Drawings and Monotypes, Kettle's Yard, University of Cambridge, Cambridge, UK 2018 Julie Mehretu: Sextant, White Cube, London, UK Julie Mehretu: Excavations, University of Virginia Fralin Museum of Art, Charlottesville, Julie Mehretu/Tacita Dean, Galerie Marian Goodman, Paris, France Julie Mehretu: A Universal History of Everything and Nothing, Fundacion Botín, Santander, Spain 2017 HOWL, eon (I, II), San Francisco Museum of Modern Art commission, CA Julie Mehretu: A Universal History of Everything and Nothing, Serralves Museum of Contemporary Art, Porto, Portugal 2016 Julie Mehretu, Hoodnyx, Voodoo and Stelae, Marian Goodman Gallery, New York Julie Mehretu: The Addis Show, Gebre Kristos Desta Center – Modern Art Museu, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia Julie Mehretu | Epigraph, Damascus, Borch Gallery, Berlin, Germany 2014 Julie Mehretu, Myriads Only By Dark, Gemini G.E.L, at Joni Moisant Weyl, New York The Mathematics of Droves, White Cube, São Paulo, Brazil Julie Mehretu: Half a Shadow, Carlier I Gebauer, Berlin 2013 Excavations: The Prints of Julie Mehretu, School of Art + Design, Ohio University, Athens, Ohio Julie Mehretu: Liminal Squared, Marian Goodman Gallery, New York Julie Mehretu: Liminal Squared, White Cube, London Julie Mehretu: Mind Breath and Beat Drawings, Galerie Marian Goodman, Paris 2012 Excavations: The Prints of Julie Mehretu, The Frances Lehman Loeb Art Center, Vassar College, New York 2011 Excavations: The Prints of Julie Mehretu, Davison Art Center, Wesleyan University, Middletown 2010 Julie Mehretu: Notations After the Ring, The Arnold and Marie Schwartz Gallery Met, Metropolitan Opera House, Lincoln Center, New York Julie Mehretu: Grey Area, Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum, New York

Excavations: The Prints of Julie Mehretu, Herbert F. Johnson Museum of Art, Cornell University, Ithaca

2009	Julie Mehretu: Grey Area, Deutsche Guggenheim Museum, Berlin Excavations: The Prints of Julie Mehretu, Highpoint Center for Printmaking, Minneapolis
2008	Julie Mehretu: Eye of the Storm, Carol Schlosberg Alumni Gallery, Montserrat College of Art, Beverly Julie Mehretu: City Sitings, Williams College Museum of Art, Williamstown Julie Mehretu: New Drawings, Kresge Museum of Art, East Lansing Julie Mehretu: City Sitings, North Carolina Museum of Art, Raleigh, NC
2007	Reflexive Drawings, Simon Fraser University Gallery, Burnaby, Canada Julie Mehretu: City Sitings, The Detroit Institute of Arts, Detroit Julie Mehretu: Black City, Louisiana Museum of Modern Art, Humlebaek, Denmark Julie Mehretu: Black City, Kunstverein Hannover, Hannover, Germany
2006	Julie Mehretu: Black City, MUSAC-Museo de Arte Contemporáneo de Castilla y León, Léon, Spain Julie Mehretu: Heavy Weather, Crown Point Press, San Francisco Julie Mehretu: Heavy Weather, The Print Center, Philadelphia
2005	Currents 95: Julie Mehretu, St. Louis Art Museum, St. Louis Julie Mehretu: Drawings, Projectile Gallery, New York
2004	Julie Mehretu: MATRIX 211, Manifestation, University of California, Berkeley Art Museum and Pacific Film Archive, Berkeley, California Landscape Allegories, Thomas Dane Gallery, London Julie Mehretu, Carlier I gebauer, Berlin
2003	Julie Mehretu: Drawing into Painting, Art Center, Minneapolis. Traveled to REDCAT, Los Angeles and Albright-Knox Art Gallery, Buffalo, New York
2002	Renegade Delirium, White Cube, London
2001	Artpace, San Antonio
2000	The Project, New York
1999	Material, Process, Memory, Project Row Houses, Houston
1998	Barbara Davis Gallery, Houston
1996	Paintings, Sol Koffler Gallery, Rhode Island School of Design, Providence
1995	Ancestral Reflections, Archive Gallery, New York. Traveled to Hampshire College Gallery, Amherst

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2023 To Bend the Ear of the Outer World: Conversation on Contemporary Abstract Painting, Gagosian, London, UK The Story of Art as it's still being written, Victoria Miro, London UK 2022 The Story of Art as it's still being written, Victoria Miro, London UK The Story Of Art Without Men, Victoria and Albert Musuem, London, UK Espressioni. L'Epilogo, Castello di Rivoli Museo D'Art Contemporanea, Rivoli-Torino, Italy 2021 Consequences: A Parlor Game, The National Arts Clun, New York Writing is drawing, The Centre Pompidou-Metz, Metz, France Uncovered: The Artists of Arion Press, Arion Press Gallery, San Francisco, CA Vision & Spirit | African American Art Works from the Bank of America Collection, Harvey B. Gantt Center for African-American Arts + Culture, Charlotte, North Carolina 2020 RELATIONS: la diaspora et la peinture, Fondation Phi, Montréal, Canada When We First Arrived..., The Corner at Whitman-Walker, Washington, DC From Hand To Mind, Carlier Gebauer, Madrid, Spain yasiin bey: Negus, Brooklyn Museum of Art, Brooklyn, NY Relations: Diaspora and Painting, Phi Foundation for Contemporary Art, Montreal, QC, Canada 2019 May You Live in Interesting Times, 58th International Art Exhibition, La Biennale di Venezia 2019, Venice, Italy Artistic License: Six Takes on the Guggenheim Collection, Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum, New York, NY Luogo e segni, Punta della Dogana, Venice, Italy About Things Loved: Blackness and Belonging, Berkeley Art Museum and Pacific Film Archive (BAM/PFA), Berkeley, CA Black Refractions: Highlights from The Studio Museum in Harlem, Kalamazoo Institute of Arts, Kalamazoo, MI; Gibbes Museum of Art, Charleston, SC Visible Traces (Mountain Water Air), Levy Gorvy, New York, NY A History and a Moment: Works from the UBS Art Collection, UBS Art Gallery, New York After the End: Timing Socialism in Contemporary African Art, Miriam and Ira D. Wallach Art Gallery - Columbia University, New York, NY Where Ocean's Meet, Museum of Art and Design at Miami Dade College, Miami, FL Beyond the Club: Re-historicizing Women in Abstract Expressionism, Gund Gallery, Kenyon College, Gambier, OH The Notational Shift, MUSAC (Museo de Arte Contemporáneo de Castilla y León),

Witness: Themes of Social Justice in Contemporary Printmaking and Photography from the Collections of Jordan D. Schnitze, Hallie Ford Museum of Art, Salem, OR

Leon, Spain

Lydia Cabrera and Edouard Glissant: Trembling Thinking, Americas Society, New York,
NY

Selections from The Studio Museum in Harlem, Museum of the African Diaspora, San Francisco, CA

Actions: '...the image of the world can be different', Kettle's Yard, University of Cambridge, Cambridge, UK

2017 *never free to rest,* Kurimanzutto, Mexico, CA

Power, Spruth Magers, Los Angeles, CA

Lines of Thought: Drawing from Michelangelo to Now, The Brynmor Jones Library Art Gallery, University of Hull; Ulster Museum, Belfast; New Mexico Museum of Art, Santa Fe; RISD Museum, Providence, Rhode Island; Serralves Museum of Contemporary Art, Porto, Portugal

Gray Matters, Wexner Center for the Arts, Columbus, Ohio

Exhibition of Newly Elected Members and Recipients of Honors and Awards, American Academy of Arts and Letters, New York, NY

Age of Terror, IWM London, London

I am you, you are too, Walker Art Center, Minneapolis, MN

An Incomplete History of Protest: Selections from the Whitney's Collection, 1940–2017, The Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, NY

2016 Encounters Beyond Borders: Contemporary Artists from the Horn of Africa, Kennedy Museum of Art, Ohio University, Athens, OH

Come As You Are: Art of the 1990s, Blanton Museum of Art, University of Texas, Austin, TX

Shifting Views: People & Politics in Contemporary African Art, The Baltimore Museum of Art, Baltimore, MD

Julie Mehretu/Jessica Rankin, Museum Dhondt-Dhaenens, Belgium

The Serial Impulse at Gemini G.E.L., Los Angeles County Museum of Art (LACMA), Los Angeles, CA

L'Iris de Lucy, Musée départemental d'art contemporain de Rochechouart, France Lines of Thought: Drawing from Michelangelo to Now, Poole Museum, England

2015 Come As You Are: Art of the 1990s, Montclair Art Museum, Montclair, New Jersey;
Telfair Museums, Savannah, Georgia; University of Michigan Museum of Art,
Ann Arbor, MI

Sharjah Biennial 12: the past, the present, the possible, Sharjah, United Arab Emirates Fusion: Art of the 21st Century, Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, Richmond, Virginia Divine Comedy, National Museum of African Art at the Smithsonian, Washington, D.C. Liberated Subjects: Present Tense, Foundation De 11 Lijnen, Oudenburg, Belgium Drawing Now, Albertina Museum, Vienna, Austria; SMAK, Ghent From Above, Di Donna Gallery, New York

The Serial Impulse Gemini G.F.L. 50th Anniversary exhibition

The Serial Impulse, Gemini G.E.L. 50th Anniversary exhibition, National Gallery, Washington, D.C.

2014 Cartagena Biennale, Cartagena, Colombia

Divine Comedy, Museum Fur Moderne Kunst Frankfurt, Germany; SCAD Museum of Art, Savannah, Georgia

Highpoint Editions, Ascent Capital Management, Minneapolis, Minnesota Mind the Map, Punkt Ø, Oslo

Sweet Dew – Since 1980; Special Project for 20th Anniversary of Gwangju Biennale Love Story – The Anne & Wolfgang Titze Collection, 21er House and Winter Palace, Vienna, Austria

The Bearden Project, The University Galleries at Texas State University, San Marcos, Texas

Variations: Conversations in and around Abstract Painting, LACMA, Los Angeles Seeking New Genealogy – Art, Body, Performance, Museum of Contemporary Art, Tokyo

The Forever Now: Contemporary Painting in an Atemporal World, Museum of Modern Art, New York

2013 A Triple Tour: Works in the Pinault Collection, Conciergerie Paris

Turbulences II, Villa Empain, Boghossian Foundation, Brussels, Belgium

5th Moscow Biennale of Contemporary Art

Du Bois in Our Time, University Museum of Contemporary Art at UMASS Amherst

Yes, No, Maybe, National Gallery of Art, Washington D.C.

Collection Platform 4: Emotion and technology, Kiev, Ukraine

Una Posibilidad De Escape Para Asaltar El Estudio De La Realidad Y Volver A Grabar El Universo, EACC - Espai d'Art Contemporani de Castelló, Spain

Highpoint Editions: Decade One, Sherman Gallery, Boston University

The Gesture and the Sign, White Cube, Sao Paulo

2012 Documenta (13), Kassel, Germany

The Painting Factory, Museum of Contemporary Art, Los Angeles, CA
Tracing the Century: Drawing as a Catalyst for Change,
Tate Liverpool, Liverpool, England

2011 *Seeing/Knowing*, Graham Gund Gallery, Kenyon College, OH

Shift and Flow, Dorsky Gallery, Long Island City, New York

In Praise of Doubt, Punta della Dogana, Venice, Italy

Inside the Painter's Studio, Paine Gallery, Massachusetts College of Art and Design, Boston, MA

New Order: Political Gesture and Exchange, White Cube, London

Embodied: Black Identities in American Art from the Yale University Art Gallery, Yale

University, New Haven, CT

Multiplicity, Smithsonian Museum, Washington DC

The Bearden Project, The Studio Museum in Harlem, New York

2010 *Immaterial,* Ballroom Marfa, Marfa, TX

On Line: Drawing Through the Twentieth Century, Museum of Modern Art, New York

Kupferstichkabinett: Between Thought and Action, White Cube, London

Picasso to Julie Mehretu: Modern Drawing in the Collection of the British

Museum, Stedelijk Museum Bureau Amsterdam

David C. Driskell Center, University of Maryland, College Park, MD

Keeping it Real, Act 2: Subversive Abstraction, Whitechapel Gallery, London

Subversive Abstraction, Whitechapel Gallery, London

2009 Automatic Cities, Museum of Contemporary Art, San Diego, CA

Signs of the Apocalypse/Rapture, Hyde Park Art Center, Chicago, IL

Untitled (History Painting): Painting and Public Life in the 21st Century, The

University of Michigan Museum of Art, Ann Arbor, MI

Extreme Frontiers, Urban Frontiers, Institute of Contemporary Art (IVAM),

Valencia, Spain

Der Schmerz sitzt tief, Stiftung Opelvillen Rüsselsheim, Germany

2008 *Prospect.1,* New Orleans Biennale, New Orleans, LA

The Lines of the Hand, MUCA, Mexico City, Mexico

I Bought the Brooklyn Bridge, Kupferstichkabinett, Berlin

Drawn to Detail, Decordova Museum and Sculpture Park, Lincoln, MA

The Cosmos: A Group Exhibition, Crown Point Press Gallery, San Francisco

Collection of Greenberg-Rohatyn, The Frances Lehman Loeb Art Center,

Vassar College, Poughkeepsie, NY

Vou-te contra uma história: Let me tell you a story, Porta 33, Madeira

2007 Multiplex: Directions in Art, 1970 to Now, Museum of Modern Art, New York

Collector's Choice III. Audacity in Art; Selected Works from Central Florida Collections,
Orlando Museum of Art, Orlando

African Art Today: An Unbounded Vista, Nelson Atkins Museum, Kansas City

Comic Abstraction, Museum of Modern Art, New York

New Directions in American Drawing, Columbus Art Museum, Columbus; Telfair Museum of Art, Savannah

Tapping Currents: Contemporary African Art and the Diaspora, Nelson Atkins Museum, Kansas City

Paper Trail: A Decade of Acquisitions, The Walker Art Center, Minneapolis; Figge Art Museum, Davenport

2006 Zones of Contact: The 15th Biennale of Sydney, Sydney

When Artist's Say We, Artists Space, New York

Remote Viewing: Invented Worlds in Recent Painting and Drawing, St. Louis Art

Museum, St. Louis

ARCO'06, Madrid

Mapping Space: Selections from the Collection, Miami Art Museum, Miami

Freeing the Line, Marian Goodman Gallery, New York

Belief & Doubt, Aspen Art Center, Aspen

Super Vision, The Institute of Contemporary Art, Boston

The Unhomely: Phantom Scenes in Global Society, Second International Biennial of

Contemporary Art of Seville, Fundación BIACS, Seville

Green Flame: New Crowned Hope Festival, Vienna

Visual Arts Jury Show, Fine Arts Work Center, Provincetown

Archpeinture: Painters Build Architecture, Camden Arts Centre, London

The Compulsive Line: Etching 1900 to Now, Museum of Modern Art,

New York

The Art of Etching at Crown Point Press, Bobbie Greenfield Gallery, Santa Monica

Distant Relatives/Relative Distance, Michael Stevenson Contemporary, Cape Town, South Africa

When Artist's Say We, Artists Space, New York

The Compulsive Line: Etching 1900 to Now, Museum of Modern Art, New York

2005 Collection in Context: Selections from the Permanent Collection, Studio Museum in Harlem, New York

Remote Viewing: Invented Worlds in Recent Painting and Drawing, Whitney Museum of American Art, NY

Baroque and Neobaroque, Domus Atrium, Salamanca

Prints into Drawings, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York

Mythologies, Walker Art Center, Minneapolis

On Line, Louisiana Museum of Contemporary Art, Humlebaek Arnolfini, Bristol, England

Insight, San Diego Museum of Art, San Diego

25: Twenty-five Years of the Deutsche Bank Collection, Deutsche Guggenheim, Berlin

SWARM, The Fabric Workshop and Museum, Philadelphia

Logical Conclusions, Pace Gallery, New York

Mapping Space: Selections from the Collection, Miami Art Museum, Miami

New Prints 2005/Autumn, International Print Center, New York

Susan Inglett Gallery, New York

2004 *Carnegie International*, Carnegie Museum of Art, Pittsburgh

São Paulo Biennal, São Paulo

Whitney Biennial, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York

Firewall, Ausstellungshalle Zeitgenössische Kunst, Münster

Africa Remix, Museum Kunst Palast, Düsseldorf. Traveled to Hayward Gallery, London; Centre Pompidou, Paris; Mori Art Museum, Tokyo

Back to Paint, C&M Arts, New York

2003 *Poetic Justice*, 8th International Istanbul Biennial, Istanbul

Lazarus Effect, Prague Biennial 1, Prague

The Moderns, Castello di Rivoli Museum of Contemporary Art, Turin

GNS, Palais de Tokyo, Paris

Outlook, International Art Exhibition, Athens

Splat Boom Pow! The Influence of Comics in Contemporary Art, 1970-

2000, Contemporary Arts Museum, Houston. Traveled to Institute of Contemporary Art, Boston; Wexner Center for the Arts, Columbus

Ethiopian Passages: Dialogues in the Diaspora, National Museum for African Art, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D.C.

Metascape, Museum of Contemporary Art, Cleveland

Social Strategies: Redefining Social Realism, University Art Museum, University of California, Santa Barbara

2002 *Drawing Now: Eight Propositions,* The Museum of Modern Art, New York *Stalder-Mehretu-Solakov*, Kunstmuseum Thun, Thun, Switzerland

Out of Site, New Museum of Contemporary Art, New York

NEW YORK PARIS LOS ANGELES

Centre of Attraction, The 8th Baltic Triennal of International Art, Vilnius, Lithuania Busan Biennale 2002, Busan Metropolitan Museum, Busan, Korea Wallow, The Project, New York

Terra Incognita: Contemporary Artists' Maps and Other Visual Organizing Systems, Contemporary Art Museum, St. Louis

2001 *Urgent Painting,* Musée d'Art Moderne de la Ville de Paris, Paris

The Americans, Barbican Art Gallery, London

Painting at the Edge of the World, Walker Art Center, Minneapolis

Freestyle, Studio Museum in Harlem, New York

Casino 2001, Stedelijk Museum voor Actuele Kunst, Gent

For the Record, Studio Museum Harlem, New York

2000 Selections Fall 2000, The Drawing Center, New York

Five Continents and One City, Museo de la Ciudad de Mexico, Mexico City

Greater New York, P.S. 1 Contemporary Art Center, New York

Translations, The Center for Curatorial Studies, Bard College, Annandale-on-

Hudson, New York

Glenn Brown, Julie Mehretu, Peter Rostovsky, The Project, New York

Architecture and Memory, Lawrence Rubin Greenberg Van Doren Fine Art, New York

Architecture and Memory, CRG, New York

1999 *Material, Process, Memory,* Jones Center for Contemporary Art, Austin

The Stroke, Exit Art, New York

Texas Draws, Contemporary Arts Museum, Houston

Hot Spots: Houston, Miami and Los Angeles, Weatherspoon Art Museum,

Greensboro, North Carolina

Core 1999, Glassell School of Art, Museum of Fine Arts, Houston

Artistic Centers in Texas: Houston-Galveston, University of North Texas Art

Gallery, Denton, Texas

Sheer Abstraction, Barbara Davies Gallery, Houston

Association Galveston, San Angelo, El Paso, Austin, Tyler

1998 Text and Territory: Navigating through Immigration and Dislocation,

University Galleries, Illinois State University, Normal

Core 1998, Glassell School of Art, Museum of Fine Arts, Houston

Millennium Fever, Diverse Works, Houston

Universal Pictures, Rudolph Puissant Gallery, Houston

1997 Annual Graduate Student Exhibition, The Museum of the Rhode Island

School of Design, Providence

1996 The Bombastic Righteous Passively Become Apparent Absurdities, (collaborative

installation with Benjamin Edwards), Sol Koffler Gallery, Rhode Island School

of Design, Providence

1995 A Woman's View, The World Bank International Women's Exhibition, The World Bank

Art Program, Washington D.C.

Yewenshet, Three Ethiopian Painters, Brooklyn Public Library, Brooklyn