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## CEDRIC MICHAEL COX Opens the SPRING SEASON at EISELE GALLERY



Opening Reception: Friday, May  $3^{rd}$ , 6-9 p.m. Exhibition continues through Saturday, June  $1^{st}$ 

Rhythm & Bloom Draws from the Artist's Past with a Promising Look to the Future.



Cedric Michael Cox (left to right): Vivid Village No. 2 24"x 19", His Infinite Light from Which We Grow 36" x 48", Evening Passage 24 x 24", 2024, acrylic on canvas

Cincinnati, OH—Artist Cedric Michael Cox inaugurates the spring season at Eisele Gallery in Mariemont, Ohio, with a solo show of new, deeply introspective paintings drawing upon some of his earliest memories and experiences. *Rhythm & Bloom*, a collection of 18 new canvases, features paintings of various influences and genres unified under Cox's vivid visual language. From futurist-inspired cityscapes to narrative still-life paintings that testify to his upbringing and his renowned arrangements of shapes and patterns that reference musical compositions, Cox creates a continual visual climax of monuments in motion for all to enjoy.

"One of my fondest memories of my father was his appreciation for interior design, which included his arranging of wall art and ceramic vases filled with floral arrangements that vividly accented the corners and tables of our home. The shapes and patterns surrounding my life forged an appreciation of different aspects of art and design and began to take form in my earliest drawings. The Still Life pieces in the exhibition are a tribute to my father," said Cox. The Northern Star quilt pattern is the through line that conceptually and visually "symbolizes destination and hope," he added.

The Eisele Gallery, new to Mariemont's town center, is familiar territory for Cox. An indemand art educator, he has held numerous artist residencies on Cincinnati's East Side, including Mariemont Elementary and Terrace Park Elementary, where he has murals and works in their permanent collections. David Smith, owner and director of Eisele Gallery, is excited about the new show and said, "The Eisele Gallery is thrilled to host this series of new work by Cedric Michael Cox. He has brought his signature style and bold new directions to this landmark show."



Cedric M. Cox: Looking Forward, 2024, acrylic on canvas, 28" x 65"

#### **ARTIST BIO**

Cedric Michael Cox is best known for his paintings and drawings that merge surrealism and representational abstraction. As a student at the University of Cincinnati's College of Design, Architecture, Art, and Planning (DAAP), Cox was awarded a fellowship to study at the Glasgow School of Art in Scotland. After receiving his Bachelor of Fine Arts in Painting in 1999, he began to exhibit regionally and nationally. Working under several influences, including architecture and art history, Cox's work ranges from cubist-inspired geometric compositions to cityscapes, landscapes, and curvilinear floral-like forms, all dancing within surrealistic environments.

### Cedric Michael Cox's website: https://cedricmichaelcox.com



# **New Paintings by Cedric Michael Cox**

May 3 – June 1, 2024



Eisele Gallery

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Website: www.eiselefineart.com

Location: Village of Mariemont

6936 Madisonville Road, Cincinnati, OH 45227

Admission: Eisele Gallery is free and open to the public.

Parking: Free parking in rear of building

#### **Gallery Hours**:

Tuesday – Friday: 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Saturday: 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Monday: By appointment