

Vanitas Contemporary proudly introduces:

'PHORIA' New Portraits by Ferris Martinez

PHORIA: n. (pho·ria | \ pfō-rē-ah \) any of various tendencies of the lines of vision to deviate from the normal when binocular fusion of the retinal images is prevented

Stemming from a childhood love of Renaissance art and graphic novels, the work of Ferris Martinez focuses largely around the representational, with particular emphasis given to portraiture and the human figure.

Recently this approach has shifted towards the incorporation of more abstract elements and less reliance on static reference materials, undergirded by a larger technical investigation into color and more intuitive mark making as seen through the prism of using figures from pop culture and friends as models.

This is part of a lifelong process of trying to describe the internal state, the vibrant impressions and forces - whether for better or worse - that rule us, that govern our perception of ourselves and outward expression. And while all art is - by its nature - at least somewhat reflexively descriptive of the individual maker, what is far more exciting is trying to externalize the intimate and the hidden of not just the artist, but of others as well.

> To all things, there is a vibrant hidden experience, an inner form that renders and guides much of our ordered life.

This new body of work then seeks to remove some of the all-too-familiar polish, and to examine those kaleidoscopic eddies waiting just below the surface.

> Opening reception 10/9 5-8pm On view 10/9-11/2

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1. Anything/Everything

Ferris Martinez, 2019 24" width x 24" height Oil on canvas

Price: \$850.00

2. The New Normal

Ferris Martinez, 2021 11" width x 14" height Oil on canvas

Price: \$600.00

3. Brundlefly

Ferris Martinez, 2019 8" width x 10" height Oil on canvas

Price: \$500.00

4. The Cultivar

Ferris Martinez, 2021 11" width x 14" height Oil on canvas

Price: \$600.00

5. The Oneiric / Stay

Ferris Martinez, 2019 20" width x 20" height Oil on canvas

Price: \$850.00

6. How Do You Feel.

Ferris Martinez, 2021 10" width x 8" height Oil on canvas

Price: \$800.00

7. Don't be Fatuous, Jeffery

Ferris Martinez, 2021 11" width x 14" height Oil on canvas

Price: \$600.00

8. Phoria

Ferris Martinez, 2021 8" width x 10" height Oil on canvas

Price: \$500.00

9. Baby I've Been Breaking Glass, in Your Room Again, Listen

Ferris Martinez, 2019 12" width x 16" height Oil on canvas

Price: \$650.00

10. Wolves

Ferris Martinez, 2019 16" width x 20" height Oil on canvas

Price: \$800.00

11. Aphantasia Production

Ferris Martinez, 2019 20" width x 24" height

Oil on canvas Price: \$850.00

12. Hamartia

Ferris Martinez, 2019 16" width x 20" height Oil on canvas

Price: \$800.00

13. Oh Leland, Look What You've Done

Ferris Martinez, 2019 16" width x 20" height Oil on canvas

Price: \$800.00

14. Untitled

Ferris Martinez, 2021 x" width x x" height Oil on canvas

Price: \$xxx.00

15. Covet

Ferris Martinez, 2019 48" width x 36" height

Oil on canvas Price: \$1500.00

16. You Wouldn't Get It

Ferris Martinez, 2019 11" width x 14" height

Oil on canvas **Price: \$600.00**