

Lewis Center for the Arts at Princeton announces five Hodder Fellows for 2021-2022



Mark Thomas Gibson's personal lens on American culture stems from his multipartite viewpoint as an artist, as a Black male, a professor, and an American history buff. These myriad and often colliding perspectives fuel his exploration of contemporary culture through languages of painting and drawing, revealing a vision of a dystopic America where every viewer is implicated as a potential character within the story. Gibson received his B.F.A. from The Cooper Union in 2002 and his M.F.A. from Yale School of Art in 2013. He is represented by Fredericks & Freiser in New York, M+B in Los Angeles and Loyal in Stockholm. In 2016 he co-curated the travelling exhibition Black Pulp! with William Villalongo. He has released two books, Some Monsters Loom Large (2016) and Early Retirement (2017). Gibson is currently an assistant professor at Tyler School of Art and Architecture at Temple University and lives and works in Philadelphia. He plans to use his time as a Hodder Fellow to explore the aftermath of the 2020 presidential election through drawing, painting, and printmaking, while working toward the completion of a new artist's book.