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2024 @HOME Residency Artist — Melissa Dunn

Brooklyn, New York — studioELL is thrilled to announce the inclusion of Melissa Dunn to the @HOME Residency Program. Hailing from Memphis, Tennessee, Melissa will bring her unique creative vision to the 2024 residency offering an opportunity to explore the studio process along-side her discoveries, influences and research.

studioELL's @HOME Residency is a highly anticipated bi-annual artist residency offering artists a distinctive opportunity to immerse themselves in their own studio environment while receiving valuable critique and support from visiting artists and our studioELL team. The program also offers a glimpse into the artist studio as weekly progress is shared on studioELL's website — studioELL.org. The residency will culminate in a final exhibition and artist lecture during the early fall months, providing an intimate look into the artistic journey throughout Melissa's time in residence.

ABOUT THE ARTIST

Melissa Dunn's complex language of abstraction and ways of thinking and seeing has developed over a prolific and dedicated studio practice. The ease in which Melissa translates from sketchbook to painting and drawing is a peek into her dedication to finding, translating and honing a visual language based on the complexities of the everyday. Melissa's drawings and paintings are based in abstraction, telling the stories shapes and color carry, either over a lifetime or through a passing thought. Her work is a landing pad where stream of consciousness and intention meet.

Melissa has spent the last 25 years dedicated to exploring evolving forms inspired by everyday life, science, history and literature. Her work is celebrated for its ability to transform shapes through color, marks and composition, creating a captivating dialogue between imagination and the world.

In addition to her artistic endeavors, Melissa has shared her knowledge and passion for art as a teaching artist. Her influence extends to public art commissions, including a recent project at Memphis International Airport.

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ABOUT studioELL

studioELL is a NYC-based, hybrid learning space that offers courses and residencies — both in-person and online — devoted to studio art practice. Part critique and part studio visit, studioELL intentionally fuses elements of higher education and continuing education to reconsider the possibilities within learning and support found in community education. studioELL is most interested in re-imagining what fine art experiences in higher education look like.

studioELL LLC is an artist-run social enterprise. In April 2021, studioELL became fiscally sponsored through Fractured Atlas in the hopes of expanding our grant research and funding opportunities and becoming more financially sustainable. Since our inception in August 2015, studioELL has hosted 275 enrolled artists in over 45 courses, hosted numerous events throughout the United States and London, UK, partnered with 12 professors, invited 11 visiting artists and provided over 15,000\$ in scholarship funding. Our efforts to partner with other organizations have connected studioELL with over 135 additional artists. We continue to look for partnering community organizations and groups to provide further points of access and agency.

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