

## 42 Artists Donate Works to Sotheby's Auction Benefitting the Studio Museum in Harlem

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Mark Bradford's *Speak, Birdman* (2018) will be auctioned at Sotheby's in a sale benefitting the Studio Museum in Harlem.  
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Sotheby's has revealed the 42 artists whose works will be on offer at its sale "Creating Space: Artists for The Studio Museum in Harlem: An Auction to Benefit the Museum's New Building." Among the pieces at auction will be paintings by Mark Bradford, Julie Mehretu, Lynette Yiadom-Boakye, Glenn Ligon, and Njideka Akunyili Crosby, all of which will hit the block during Sotheby's contemporary art evening sale and day sales in New York, on May 16 and 17, respectively.

The sale's proceeds will support the construction of the Studio Museum's new building on 125th Street, the first space specifically developed to meet the institution's needs. Designed by David Adjaye, of the firm Adjaye Associates, and Cooper Robertson, the new building will

provide both indoor and outdoor exhibition space, an education center geared toward deeper community engagement, a public hall, and a roof terrace.

“Artists are at the heart of everything the Studio Museum has done for the past fifty years—from our foundational Artist-in-Residence program to creating impactful exhibitions of artists of African descent at every stage in their careers,” Thelma Golden, the museum’s director and chief curator, said in a statement. “It means so much to have artists support us in creating this dynamic new building, where their work can engage the public even more deeply.”

A full list of the participating artists follows below.

Derrick Adams  
Kevin Beasley  
Sanford Biggers  
McArthur Binion  
Frank Bowling  
Mark Bradford  
Jordan Casteel  
Njideka Akunyili Crosby  
Stan Douglas  
Leonardo Drew  
Melvin Edwards  
Charles Gaines  
Theaster Gates  
Sam Gilliam  
Leslie Hewitt  
Steffani Jemison  
Rashid Johnson  
Isaac Julien  
Titus Kaphar  
Glenn Ligon  
Eric N. Mack  
Julie Mehretu  
Wardell Milan  
Oscar Murillo  
Wangechi Mutu  
Kori Newkirk  
Toyin Ojih Odutola  
Chris Ofili  
Adam Pendleton  
Robert Pruitt  
Yinka Shonibare MBE  
Gary Simmons  
Xaviera Simmons

Lorna Simpson

Shinique Smith

Hank Willis Thomas

William Villalongo

Nari Ward

Carrie Mae Weems

Stanley Whitney

Kehinde Wiley

Lynette Yiadom-Boakye