Eye to Eye
Featuring the collection of Jonathan Travis and Wolf Hill
January 19 – March 5, 2023
Opening Reception: February 1, 2023, 6 – 8 PM

New York, NY, January 18, 2023 – The New York Academy of Art is pleased to present its renowned exhibition series “Eye to Eye,” featuring the collection of New York realtor Jonathan Travis and Wolf Hill. The exhibition will showcase works by Academy student artists selected by Travis, paired with pieces from a selection of artists including Caroline Absher, Daniel Correa Mejia, Blake Daniels, Madjeen Isaac, Yoora Lee, Igor Moritz, Michelle Uckotter, and Nadia Waheed.

Now in its fourth iteration, “Eye to Eye” asks a prominent collector to select works by Academy MFA students, which are then exhibited side by side with pieces from the patron’s own collection, selected by the student artists themselves. In previous years, the series has featured the collections of Laura Skoler and John L. Thomson and exhibited artists ranging from Louise Bourgeois to Marlene Dumas alongside student works. The exhibition acts as a reflection of the collector’s eye and a commentary on artistic influence and relative value in the contemporary art world.

Jonathan Travis has over 200 artworks in his collection with a strong focus on young figurative painters. The collection has an emphasis on works that depict the role human psychology and unique personal experience play in each artist’s depiction of life’s many narratives and relationships. Notable artists in the collection include Anna Weyant, Tunji Adeniyi-Jones, Jenna Gribbon, Sasha Gordon and many more. In 2021, Travis founded Wolf Hill, a residency program with the mission to amplify less-represented voices in the art community. Jonathan Travis has been working with galleries like Casey Kaplan, P.P.O.W., Canada, and James Cohan for over ten years to find suitable spaces for the programs. Travis can be attributed to the migration of New York dealers from Chelsea to Tribeca.
The exhibition will be on view daily from January 19 through March 5, 2023, from 10 am – 6 pm. The opening reception will take place on February 1, 2023, from 6 - 8 pm.

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