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# Chubb Fellows Exhibition: Zachary Lank, Antionette Legnini, Audrey Rodriguez August 28 – September 20

New York, NY – August 9, 2023 -- The New York Academy of Art is pleased to announce the 2023 Chubb Fellows Exhibition, from August 28th to September 20th. The highest honor the New York Academy of Art bestows on its students, this year's Chubb Fellowship marks the program's 15th year combining intensive studio work, in-depth personal study, and peer-to-peer mentorship, so that Chubb Fellows can both grow as artists and foster growth in



the community of artists around them. Chubb fellows also receive studio accommodations, exhibition opportunities, and a stipend. In December 2023, the Chubb Fellows will also exhibit their work at Chubb's Lounge in the Art Basel Miami Beach Collector's Lounge.

Of this year's fellows, Audrey Rodriguez and Antoinette Legnini were selected for the Fellowship upon graduation in 2022, while Zachary Lank (MFA 2018) joined the fellowship via a recent initiative that opened candidacy to all Academy alumni. Each has enjoyed a strong entry into the world of gallery shows; Lank was recently featured at art central in Hong Kong through Gallery Ascend. Rodriguez had a solo show at McLennon Pen

Co. Gallery in Austin, TX and was the 1st Prize Winner of the AXA Art Prize. Legnini had a solo show titled "Bronx Faces" at the Casita Maria Center for Arts & Education and was recently featured in the group show "Order/Reorder" at the Hudson River Museum.



This year's show boasts variety and experimentation in dialogue with traditional elements. Lank's paintings bend the iconography of the American west into a tangle of shape and color that prods, jokes, and withers in one breath. Rodriguez, across both painting and sculpture, writes color into quiet and vice versa, highlighting incidence and vitality on and below the city street. Whether working in painting, sculpture, or mixed-media installation, Legnini presses her images from a world as simple as it is fantastic, finding texture and individualism in the disposable.

Founded in 1982 by artists, scholars, and patrons of the arts, including Andy Warhol, the New York Academy of Art is a cultural and educational institution that combines intensive technical training in the fine arts with active critical



discourse. The Academy believes that rigorously trained artists are best able to realize their artistic vision. Through major exhibitions, a lively speaker series, and an ambitious educational program, the Academy serves as a creative and intellectual center for all artists dedicated to highly skilled, conceptually aware figurative and representational art.

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Top:

Zachary Lank, *Long Road Home*, 2023 oil on canvas 54 x 54 inches

#### Middle:

Audrey Rodriguez, *DANGER - No Clearance*, 2023 oil on linen 30 x 24 inches

# Bottom:

Antoinette Legnini, Lessons in Shaping Space, 2023

pastel, graphite powder, charcoal, oil, acrylic, Q tips, wooden coffee stirrers, rubber bands, staples, composition notebook, glitter, Pokémon cards, Arizona iced tea can, headphones, plastic bag, pumice gel, plaster bandage, light modeling paste, watercolor paper, chipboard, cardboard, found wood 93 x 81 inches

## **Exhibition viewing:**

111 Franklin Street, New York NY 10013 Open daily 10am-6pm (Closed Labor Day, September 4). Website: nyaa.edu, Instagram: @newyorkacademyofart

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