JEFFREY GIBSON PEOPLE LIKE US



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SHOULD YOU **EVER FIND** YRSELE AT MT. RUSHMORE **OR THE LINCOLN** MEMORIAL **OR IN FRONT** OF A PORTRAIT **OF WASHINGTON** OR CUSTER **OR KIT CARSON OR LANDSCAPES** ROMANTICIZED THROUGH THE HUDSON RIVER SCHOOL

TAKE OUT YR CAMERA TAKE A PICTURE **OF YR BEAUTIFUL BROWN MIDDLE** FINGER EXTENDED DEFIANTLY EXPRESSING **YR RESISTANCE** TO SETTLER COLONIALISM AND **GENOCIDE AND** ERASURE THEN POST **YR PICTURE** TO THE INTERNET















































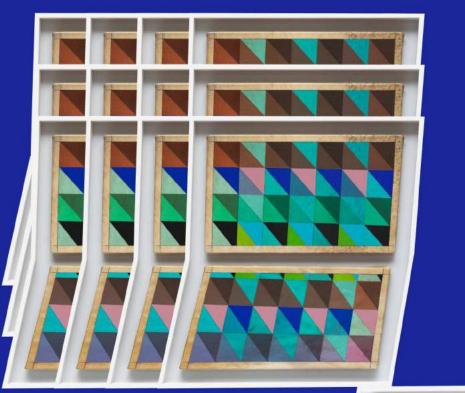






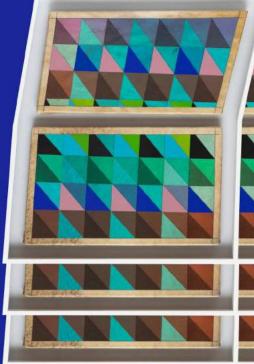






N A T I V E

WE ARE THE ARCHIVE WE ARE THE PAST PRESENT FUTURE HISTORICAL MOVEMENT



O R I G I N





RECLAIM OR ADAPT WE ARE COSMIC RESPIRATORS SPEECH AND WIND MYTHOLOGY

I WILL BE A BODY TO HOLD YR FEAR

i have Always been a Body to hold yr fear



PEOPLE LIKE US, 2018 Glass and plastic beads, tin, copper and gold-finished jingles, artificial sinew, quartz crystal, silver-coated copper wire, druzy crystal, nylon thread, nylon fringe, acrylic felt, acrylic paint, repurposed wool blanket, recycled jersey stuffing, rawhide, steel rods, wood block 60.5 x 24.5 x 14 in (153.7 x 62.2 x 35.6 cm)







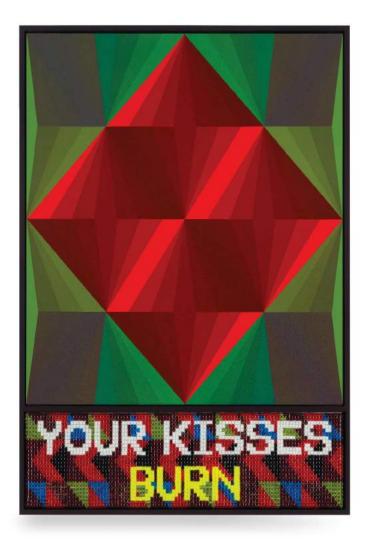
















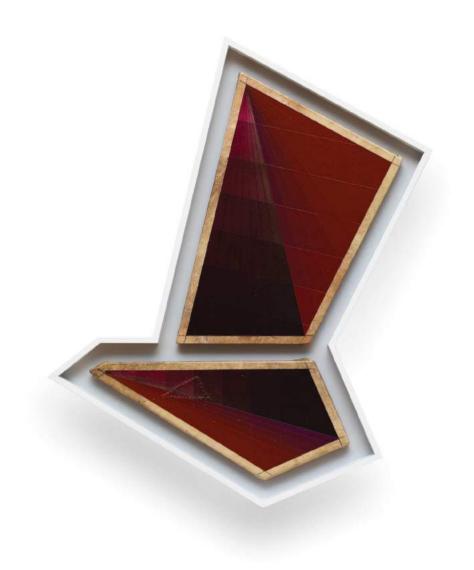
























Kiss Off, 2018 Acrylic and graphite on raw hide over wood panel inset into wood frame $20 \times 20 \times 1.75$ in (50.8 x 50.8 x 4.4 cm)









Jeffrey Gibson Studio Hudson, New York

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DEMIAN DINÉYAZHI'

Demian DinéYazhi' (b. 1983) is an Indigenous Diné transdisciplinary artist born to the clans Naasht'ézhí Tábąąhá (Zuni Clan Water's Edge) & Tódích'íí'nii (Bitter Water). Growing up in the colonized border town of Gallup, New Mexico, the evolution of DinéYazhi's work has been influenced by their ancestral ties to traditional Diné culture and ceremony, matrilineal upbringing, the sacredness of land, and the importance of intergenerational knowledge. Through research, mining community archives, and social collaboration and activism, DinéYazhi' highlights the intersections of Radical Indigenous Queer Feminist identity and political ideology while challenging the white noise of the contemporary art movement. They have recently exhibited at Whitney Museum of American Art (2018), Henry Art Gallery (2018), Pioneer Works (2018), CANADA, NY (2017); and Cooley Gallery (2017).

DinéYazhi' is the founder of the Indigenous artist/activist initiative, R.I.S.E.: *Radical Indigenous Survivance & Empowerment*. DinéYazhi' also serves as co-editor of *Locusts: A Post-Queer Nation Zine*. They are the recipient of the Henry Art Museum's Brink Award (2017) and a Hallie Ford Fellow in the Visual Arts (2018) and Eiteljorg Fellow (2019).

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JEFFREY GIBSON

Jeffrey Gibson (b. 1972) grew up in major urban centers in the United States, Germany, Korea, England and elsewhere. He is a member of the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians and half Cherokee. This unique combination of global cultural influences converge in his multi-disciplinary practice of more than a decade since the completion of his Master of Arts degree from The Royal College of Art, London in 1998 and his Bachelor of Fine Arts degree from The School of the Art Institute of Chicago in 1995. Drawing influence from popular music, fashion, literature, cultural and critical theory, and his own individual heritage, Gibson's work recontextualizes the familiar to offer a succinct commentary on cultural hybridity and the assimilation of modernist artistic strategies within contemporary art.

Gibson's artworks are represented in the permanent collections of many major art museums, including the Whitney Museum of American Art, Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, Smithsonian's National Museum of The American Indian, National Gallery of Canada, Nasher Museum of Art, Nerman Museum, Newark Museum of Art, Crystal Bridges Museum of American Art, Seattle Art Museum, Speed Museum, and Denver Art Museum.

The Denver Art Museum organized and mounted **Jeffrey Gibson: LIKE A HAMMER**, a traveling mid-career survey in May 2018. The exhibition will travel to The Mississippi Museum of Contemporary Art, Jackson, MS; Seattle Art Museum, Seattle, WA; and Madison Museum of Contemporary Art, Madison. Concurrently, **Jeffrey Gibson: This is the Day** was organized by The Ruth and Elmer Wellin Museum of Art at Hamilton College, Clinton, NY. This exhibition will travel to The Blanton Museum of Art, Austin, TX, in 2019.

Upcoming projects and exhibitions include The New Museum, the Brooklyn Museum of Art, MASS MoCA, Institute of Contemporary Art in Boston, the Heard Museum, and the Museum of Contemporary Art, Denver. Recent museum solo exhibitions include The Savannah College of Art Design Museum, The National Academy Museum in New York, The Institute of Contemporary Art in Boston, and the Cornell Museum of Fine Art. Gibson has received grants and awards from The Creative Capital Foundation, The Joan Mitchell Foundation, Art Matters, and Harpo Foundation, is a 2012 TED Foundation Fellow, and is a Visiting Artist at Bard College.

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