Michael C Thorpe

Born 1993 in New York

Education

2016 Emerson College, Boston, MA

Solo Exhibitions

- 2024 Fuller Craft Museum, Brockton, MA
- 2023 Nonsensical Formalist, Paul R. Jones Museum, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL
- 2022 14 Years Old, Forum Gallery, New York, NY

Behind The Art with Michael C. Thorpe, Soho House, New York, NY

Solid Space, Louis Buhl & Co., Detroit, MI

- 2021 Meandering Thoughts, LaiSun Keane Gallery, Boston, MA
- 2020 An Art Show, All Too Human, Boston, MA

Group Exhibitions

2023 Hoop Dreams, Everson Museum of Art, Syracuse, NY

The Textile Museum, The George Washington University Museum, Washington, D.C.

- 2022-23 *Storied Strings: The Guitar in American Art*, Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, Richmond, VA; Frist Art Museum, Nashville, TN
- 2021-22 Fabric of a Nation: American Quilt Stories, Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, MA; Skirball Cultural Center, Los Angeles, CA
- 2022 It Takes a Village, Library Street Collective, Detroit, MI

Stitch!, LaiSun Keane, Boston, MA

Residencies

Collections

Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, MA

Birmingham Museum of Art, Birmingham, AL

Fuller Craft Museum, Brockton, MA

Selected Articles & Reviews

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Hills, Megan C. "Quilty pleasure: Why your grandmother's quilt is today's luxury fashion staple," CNN Style, January 13, 2022.

Bowen, Jared and Delores Edwards. "These quilts weave together America's rich, complicated history," PBS, December 31, 2021.

"Nike x Michael C. Thorpe Collab NBA 75th Anniversary," NBA.com, November 11, 2021.

Kalnins, John. "In the Studio with Michael C. Thorpe," Corridor, November 5, 2021.

Reynolds, Pamela. "In two fall art exhibits, quilts offer more than just warmth," WBUR: Local Coverage, October 12, 2021.

"Fabric of a Nation American Quilt Stories," Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, October 10, 2021.

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"Editorial: Reebok Question Low "Green Toe" ft. Michael Thorpe," Bodega, May 12, 2021.

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McQuaid, Cate. "He Was an MVP Basketball Player. Now His Star Is Rising as an Art Quilter," The Boston Globe, April 15, 2021.

Lanks, Belinda. "Piecing Together a Legacy," Wolf-Gordon: Howl Magazine, April 15, 2021.

Ertischek, David. "Former Emerson Men's Basketball Star Becomes All-Star Quilter," Emerson Today, March 29, 2021.

"Dove Men+Care TV Commercial Featuring Artist Michael C. Thorpe," Dove Commit To C.A.R.E., March 17, 2021.

Makinde, Adeshola. "Tactile Language: Quilter Michael C. Thorpe Elevates the Mundane," Notre, November 12, 2020.

Chevrier, Tracy. "Former college basketball player turned himself into a quilting star," Pix 11, July 24, 2020.

Accardi, Naomi. "The American Artist Reclaiming the Centennial Tradition of Quilting," Miilkiina, July 18. 2020.

Forchheimer, Ronnie. "College Basketball Star Now Making Moves in the Art World," OnlyGood TV, July 8, 2020.

Kipp, Caroline. "Social Distancing Studio Visits: 8. Michael C. Thorpe, Newton, MA" CarolineKipp.com, June 30, 2020.

Thorpe, Michael C. "Pictorial Quilt," Art for This Moment: Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, June 3, 2020.

Pave, Marvin. "Michael Thorpe: an artist on and off the court." The Boston Globe, March 4, 2020.

Mason, Amelia. "His Mom Taught Him To Quilt. Black Artists Guided His Style," WBUR: Local Coverage, February 28, 2020.