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Basil Kincaid (b. 1986, St. Louis, Missouri) is an American artist who honors and evolves traditional practices through quilting, collaging, photography, installation and performance. Implementing materials vested with emotional and memorial content, Kincaid allows these mediums to function as spiritual technology that forward various wisdoms born from Kincaid's greatest values: family, imagination, rest, and experience.

Kincaid studied drawing and painting at Colorado College, graduating in 2010. Kincaid has exhibited works with Hauser & Wirth, Mindy Solomon, Kravets Wehby, Kavi Gupta, Carl Kostyal and others. In 2019, Kincaid debuted a first museum performance, "The Release," at the Pulitzer Arts Foundation in St. Louis MO. In 2020 Kincaid received the Regional Arts Commission Fellowship. In 2021, Kincaid became a United States Artist Fellow and joined the Collection of the Smithsonian American Art Museum. In 2022, Kincaid exhibited new quilt works in both the Legacy Russell-curated show, "The New Bend" at Hauser & Wirth's New York and Los Angeles locations, and the Ekow Eshun-curated exhibition, "New African Portraiture" at the Kunsthalle Krems in Austria. Kincaid also produced a ceremonial installation at Laumeier Sculpture Park in St. Louis, wrapping a Manuel Neri figure in a quilt entitled "Take Me Home" just days after Neri's passing. Kincaid opened 2023 with "Dancing the Wind Walk", a semi-permanent fabric monument during Frieze LA, and later debuted his installation at Rock Center as part of 'Art in Focus', both in collaboration with the Art Production Fund. He then debuted a new quilt as part of "The Threads We Follow" at SECCA, North Carolina Museum of Art, before closing 2023 with his solo exhibition, "Spirit in the Gift", at the Rubell Museum, where he was the 2023 Artist in Residence. Basil Kincaid has been awarded the Great Rivers Biennial Prize and will have a solo exhibition at the Contemporary Art Museum St. Louis in September 2024.

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## EDUCATION

**2010** BA Studio Art, Colorado College, Colorado Springs, CO

## SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS

**2025** *Positive Obsession: 100 Drawings by Basil Kincaid*, Nerman Museum of Contemporary Art, Overland Park, KS (Forthcoming)

*Inward Cartography: Self of Selves*, Library Street Collective, Detroit, MI (Forthcoming)  
Great Rivers Biennial, CAM STL, St. Louis, MO

**2024** *Spirit in the Gift*, Rubell Museum, Miami, FL

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**2022** *River, Frog and Crescent Moon*, Venus over Manhattan, New York, NY  
*All in One Feeling*, Mindy Solomon Gallery, Miami, FL

**2021** *A Restful Place*, Leyendecker Gallery, Tenerife, Canary Islands

**2019** *Get It How You Live*, Carl Kostyal, Mayfair London United Kingdom  
*Shamans Death*, Part 2 Gallery, Oakland, CA

**2018** *Gates*, University of Missouri St Louis, St. Louis, MO  
*Interstices*, Missouri Valley College, Marshal, MO

**2017** *Portraits, Projects + Gallery*, St. Louis, MO

**2016** *Reclamation 2: Ghana: A Call Home*, The Luminary, St. Louis, MO

## SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

**2025** *Warp and Weft*, the Shepherd, Library Street Collective, Detroit, MI  
*When the Mountains Dance with the Ocean*, Bode Gallery, Berlin, Germany

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- 2024** *Sacred Masses*, Library Street Collective, Detroit, MI
- 2023** *The Threads We Follow*, North Carolina Museum of Art's Southeastern Center for Contemporary Art, Raleigh, NC  
*Impulse of an Era*, Albertz Benda, New York, NY.  
*Hand Over Hand*, Mindy Solomon Gallery, Miami, FL.  
*The New Bend*, Hauser & Wirth, Somerset, United Kingdom
- 2022** *The New African Portraiture*, Kunsthalle Krems, Krems, Austria  
*The New Bend*, Hauser & Wirth, Los Angeles, CA  
*This Present Moment: Crafting a Better World*, Renwick Gallery, Smithsonian American Art Museum, Washington, DC  
*The New Bend*, Hauser & Wirth, New York, NY  
*Salutary Sculpture*, Laumeier Sculpture Park, St. Louis, MO
- 2021** *Reclaiming Magic*, Royal Academy, London, UK  
*Beyond Binaries: Basil Kincaid, Sahana Ramakrishnan and Milford Graves*, Fridman Gallery, Beacon, NY  
*Realms of Rege*, Kavi Gupta Gallery, Chicago, NY  
*Alternating Currents*, Fridman Gallery, New York, NY  
*NOIR*, Illinois State Museum, Springfield, IL  
*Sites of Memory*, UTA Artists Space, Beverly Hills, CA
- 2020** *Gallery*, London UK *Bodies in Motion - Traveling Bodies*, Stems Gallery, Brussels Belgium  
*PERSONAL MYTHOLOGIES*, Galerie Julien Cadet, Paris France  
1-54 Contemporary African Art Fair, Galleria Anna Marra & Mindy Solomon  
*PARALLELS AND PERIPHERIES: Fractals and Fragments*, Galleria Anna Marra, Rome, Italy  
*Ambra Nera*, Breeder Gallery, Athens, Greece
- 2019** *America Weaves*, Coral Gables Museum, Coral Gables, FL  
*Art Basel*, Kavi Gupta, Miami FL  
*Embodied*, Fjord Gallery, Philadelphia, PA  
*Spring Selections*, Jenkins Johnson Gallery, San Francisco, CA  
*Stockholm Sessions*, Carl Kostyal Gallery, Malmo, Sweden  
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*In The Fold*, RULE Gallery, Denver, CO  
*I Am My Story*, Mindy Solomon Gallery, Miami, FL

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*American African American*, Phillips, New York, NY  
*Tapestry Art*, Blurider Art Gallery, Taipei, Taiwan

- 2018** *Interwoven*, Kravets Wheby Gallery, New York, NY  
1-54 Contemporary African Art Fair, Galleria Anna Marra & Mindy Solomon Gallery, London UK  
*On the Road*, Jenkins Johnson Gallery, New York, NY  
*Parallel Lives*, Kavi Gupta Gallery, Chicago IL  
Overview Is A Place, SPRING/BREAK, Projects Plus Gallery, New York, NY  
*Nomadic Murals, Contemporary Tapestries and Carpets*, Boca Raton Museum, Boca Raton, FL  
*Refraction: New Photography of the African Diaspora*, Steven Kasher Gallery, New York, NY  
*Too Black for America, Too American For Africa*, Magnify Art Gallery, St. Louis, MO
- 2017** *Mutinerie 3D*, Le Mat galerie, Montpellier, France  
Art Basel, Prizm Art Fair, Miami, FL  
*Taking it To The Streets*, Krantzberg Arts Center, St. Louis, MO  
*Invitational Exhibition*, St. Louis University McNamee Gallery, St. Louis, MO  
*Taking It To The Streets*, UMSL University, 210 Gallery, St. Louis, MO
- 2015** Blackout Festival Installation, Grammy Museum, Los Angeles, CA  
*Voyage of [Re]Discovery*, Nabuke Foundation, Accra, Ghana  
*RESPOND*, Smack Mellon, Brooklyn, NY

## PERFORMANCE

- 2019** *The Release*, Pulitzer Arts Foundation, St. Louis, MO
- 2017** *The Summoning*, Pulitzer Arts Foundation, St. Louis, MO

## AWARDS / FELLOWSHIPS / GRANTS / RESIDENCIES

- 2023** Rubell Museum Artist in Residence
- 2021** United States Artist Fellowship
- 2020** Regional Arts Commission Fellowship
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- 2019** Carl Kostyal Draw Jam, Puglia, Italy
- 2017** The Fountainhead Residency, Artist in Residence, Miami, FL
- 2016** Babson College, Speaker, Re-Imagining Inclusion Conference, Wellesley, MA  
Arts Connect International, Artist Consultant, Boston, MA
- 2015** Harvard University, Art for Cultural Inclusion Symposium, Boston, MA  
Arts Connect International, Artist-In-Residence, Reclamation, Ghana
- 2007** Anderson Ranch Arts Center Scholarship, Aspen, CO

## TALKS AND WORKSHOPS

- 2020** *Kitchen Table Art School* with Art Noir co, moderated by curator Larry Ossei-Mensah  
ADAMA Arts Salon with African Diasporic Art Museum of Atlanta. Atlanta, GA
- 2019** Pulitzer Foundation: Stitch and Gather Sewing Workshop
- 2018** Missouri Valley College Artist Talk, Marshall, MO  
UMSL Artist Talk, St. Louis, MO
- 2017** *Print by Print Group*, Fiber Talks Panelist & Workshop Facilitator, New York, NY  
St. Louis Art Museum, Panelist, "Hip-hop & Fashion: From the Streets to the Runway", St. Louis, MO  
Colorado College, Artist Talk and Senior Critique Series, Colorado Springs, CO  
St. Louis Artists' Guild, Juror, Displacement & Migration, St. Louis, MO  
BlankSpace, Planned, Funded and Implemented "Cherokee Street Reach" Free Youth Art Camp, St. Louis, MO