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### REPRESENTATION

Stephanie Breitbard Fine Arts | San Francisco & Menlo Park, CA USA J Williams Fine Art | Dallas, TX USA

### **ARTIST STATEMENT**

Elisabeth Heidinga's artistic practice seamlessly merges the traditions of painting and assembly, offering a bold reimagining of abstraction. Her process begins with expansive acrylic paintings on canvas, which are deconstructed into fine strips. These fragments are then meticulously woven or reassembled, transforming discrete elements into cohesive yet dynamic compositions. The interplay of structure and intuition in Heidinga's work creates a dialogue between abstraction, craft, and conceptual art, challenging viewers to reexamine their perceptions of balance, connection, and dissonance.

Heidinga's work is deeply symbolic, reflecting the complexities of human experience and the multiplicity of identity. Drawing on her European heritage and her time in multicultural Toronto, her compositions resonate as metaphors for cultural intersections and the weaving together of diverse narratives. Each strip represents a fragment of memory, culture, or identity, and together they form intricate and harmonious works that challenge traditional associations between painting and craft. Her creations reflect a synthesis of opposing forces—presence and absence, connection and tension—offering a fresh perspective on the interplay between fragmentation and unity.

Currently based in the south of France, Heidinga imbues her pieces with a profound sense of interconnectedness. Her practice invites viewers into an exploration of layered realities, transforming deconstruction into a meaningful act of creation. Through her deliberate and evocative methods, she crafts art that resonates with both quiet reflection and dynamic energy.

A graduate of OCAD University in Toronto, where she earned a BFA with honours, Heidinga has been included in the Art Gallery of Ontario's Art Sales & Rental program, providing ongoing visibility within a major Canadian institution. Her work has been showcased at exhibitions and art fairs across North America. Represented by Stephanie Breitbard Fine Arts in San Francisco and Menlo Park, California, J Williams Fine Art in Dallas, Texas, her pieces have captivated collectors and institutions alike, cementing her reputation as a significant and compelling voice in contemporary art.





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## **SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS**

2025 Art Miami | Stephanie Breitbard Fine Arts | Miami, FL USA

2024 Opening Exhibition | Breitbard Williams Fine Art | Dallas, TX USA

2023 Westmount Exhibition | S16 | Montreal, QC Canada

2022 Context | S16 | Art Miami | Miami, FL USA

2022 Art Toronto | S16 | Toronto, ON Canada

2021 S16 Pop-Up | Los Angeles, CA USA

2020 Art Miami | S16 | Miami, FL USA

2020 S16 Opening Show | S16 | Montreal, QC Canada

2019 AGO Art Sales & Rental | Art Gallery of Ontario | Toronto, ON Canada

## **ART FAIRS**

2025 Art Miami | SBFA | Miami, FL USA

2025 SF Art Fair | SBFA | San Francisco, CA USA

2022 Context | S16 | Art Miami | Miami, FL USA

2022 Art Toronto | S16 | Toronto, ON Canada CORPORATE + PRIVATE COLLECTIONS

**GRANTS + AWARDS** 

2017 Emerging Visual Artist | Ontario Arts Council

2020 Art Miami | S16 | Miami, FL USA United States | Canada | France

### RESIDENCIES

2025 Residency Artist | Toronto, ON Canada

2024 Residency Artist | Toronto, ON Canada

2023 Residency Artist | S16 | Montreal, QC Canada

# **SELECTED PRESS + PUBLICATIONS**

2024 Live Tour of BWFA gallery | @laurenwilliamsart | Breitbard Williams Fine Art | Dallas, TX USA

2023 Gallery tour of S16 at Westmount | S16 | Montreal, QC Canada

2023 10 Textile Artists you should know | Ta-Daan

2022 Context | S16 | Art Miami | Miami, FL USA

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2019 Instagram Take Over | @art

2019 Elisabeth Heidinga | The Jealous Curator

2019 #teampixel challenge | Google Pixel

