

David L. Johnson















Loiter (Jamie), 2025 30 removed skatestoppers 61% x 99 x 3% in / 155 x 251 x 7 cm 4 x 11/8 x 31/8 in / 10 x 3 x 8 cm each

Gates, 2012 Edition of 3 + 2AP Inkjet prints 15 x 48 in / 38 x 121 cm (framed) 5 x 7 in / 12 x 17 cm each

Loiter (Brian M.), 2024 Removed standpipe spike 25 x 12 x 15 in 63 x 30 x 38 cm

One-liner, 2013 Edition of 3 + 2AP HD video 2:14 minutes

Cleaning Up The Streets, 2012 Edition of 3 + 2AP Inkjet prints 27% x 16¼ in / 70 x 41 cm (framed) 6 x 4½ in / 15 x 11 cm each

Loiter (Phillips, Ray), 2024 Removed step spike 12½ x 15 x 8 in

The World, 2017 Edition of 3 + 2AP HD video 13 seconds



David L. Johnson makes work attuned to the streets of the city, pinpointing moments of slippage between public and private property. His practice utilizes photography, video, found and stolen objects, and installation to consider the politics, histories, aesthetics and forms of use that define contemporary urban space.

David L. Johnson (b. 1993, New York, NY) lives and works in New York City. Recent solo and dual exhibitions include: The Shop at Sadie Coles HQ, London (2024); Galerie Thomas Schulte, Berlin; Galerie Noah Klink, Berlin; Art Lot, Brooklyn (2023); and Theta, New York (2021). Recent group exhibitions have been held at: Columbus Museum of Art, Columbus, OH; Salzburger Kunstverein, Salzburg, AT (both 2024); Palais de Tokyo, Paris; Chicago Architecture Biennial, Chicago; MoMA PS1, New York (all 2023); and Artists Space, New York (2022). Johnson received a BFA from the Cooper Union in 2015 and an MFA from the University of Pennsylvania in 2020. He is an alumnus of the Whitney Independent Study Program and is a part-time lecturer at Cooper Union and Parsons MFA. Johnson's work is held in the public collection of The Studio Museum in Harlem.