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The Kennesaw State University School of Art and Design was thrilled to host Donté K. Hayes as our Windgate Foundation Artist in Residence for the Fall semester of 2022.

It was amazing to have Donté back on campus with us. His tenacity and focus were evident while he was an undergraduate student at KSU, and it is so impressive to see him excel in his career as a research artist.

He is an inspiration to our students, and we are excited to see where his career takes him next. We are very privileged to have had the opportunity to host him.

Geo Sipp

Director, School of Art and Design



WINDGATE FOUNDATION ARTIST IN RESIDENCE DONTÉ K. HAYES

The School of Art and Design at Kennesaw State University is grateful to the Windgate Foundation for choosing to invest in the future of our students. The Artist in Residence program gives our students the unique experience of working with visiting professional artists in their field of study, helping them grow as industry leaders.

Research artist and KSU alumnus Donté K. Hayes brought his unique talent to the visual arts students as the Fall 2022 Windgate Foundation Artist in Residence. After graduating summa cum laude from KSU with a BFA in Ceramics and Printmaking with an art history minor, Hayes received his MA and MFA from the University of Iowa. His work has been permanently acquired by ten well-known museums.

From Oct. 17 through Oct. 28, Hayes inspired students in Ceramics 1, Wheel Throwing, and Advanced Ceramics. From Oct. 31 to Nov. 16, Hayes worked alongside students in Printmaking I and 2, Advanced Printmaking, and Bookarts. He also spent time with students in Illustration classes.

Artists in residency are encouraged to make their own art while on campus. Mr. Hayes created 26 ceramic pieces and 20 different kinds of prints. His public lecture on Oct. 21 at the ZMA was well attended, both in-person and online. Mr. Hayes will return in Summer 2023 for the Windgate Foundation Artist Residency Program Exhibition at the ZMA.



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120

Student
Participants

51

Lecture
Attendees

1

New Summer
Exhibition

46

Works created
by the artist



Harrison Long

Interim Dean, College of the Arts

"It is especially meaningful to have Donté return to KSU as a Windgate Foundation Artist in Residence. The fact that he has accomplished so much since his time as a KSU undergraduate is a special inspiration to those following behind him, and will help current students visualize what's possible in their own lives and work."

WORK BY DONTÉ K. HAYES



True Kings Series: Original King

Donté K. Hayes

Ceramic, underglaze, glaze

11" x 13" x 10"

2019

Photo courtesy of the artist.



Meander

Donté K. Hayes

Ceramic, slip

8.5" x 9.5" x 9.5"

2022

Photo courtesy of the artist.



Wavelength

Donté K. Hayes

Ceramic

17" x 15" x 12"

2021

Photo courtesy of the artist.



Guardian

Donté K. Hayes

Ceramic

17.75" x 14" x 14"

2018

Photo courtesy of the artist.

"I have been really thankful to talk to the students, to see what they are doing, to see what they are thinking. It's a powerful thing, and they have inspired me."

Donté K. Hayes

Artist in Residence, Fall 2022

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Donté K. Hayes

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