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Sotheby's has revealed the 42 artists whose works will be on offer at its sale "Creating Space: Artists for The Studio Museum in Harlem: An Auction to Benefit the Museum's New Building." Among the pieces at auction will be paintings by Mark Bradford, Julie Mehretu, Lynette Yiadom-Boakye, Glenn Ligon, and Njideka Akunyili Crosby, all of which will hit the block during Sotheby's contemporary art evening sale and day sales in New York, on May 16 and 17, respectively.

The sale's proceeds will support the construction of the Studio Museum's new building on 125th Street, the first space specifically developed to meet the institution's needs. Designed by David Adjaye, of the firm Adjaye Associates, and Cooper Robertson, the new building will provide both indoor and outdoor exhibition space, an education center geared toward deeper community engagement, a public hall, and a roof terrace.

"Artists are at the heart of everything the Studio Museum has done for the past fifty years—from our foundational Artist-in-Residence program to creating impactful exhibitions of artists of African descent at every stage in their careers," Thelma Golden, the museum's director and chief curator, said in a statement. "It means so much to have artists support us in creating this dynamic new building, where their work can engage the public even more deeply."

A full list of the participating artists follows below.

Derrick Adams

Kevin Beasley

Sanford Biggers

McArthur Binion

Frank Bowling

Mark Bradford

Jordan Casteel

Njideka Akunvili Crosby

Stan Douglas

Leonardo Drew

Melvin Edwards

Charles Gaines

Theaster Gates

Sam Gilliam

Leslie Hewitt

Steffani Jemison

Rashid Johnson

Isaac Julien

Titus Kaphar

Glenn Ligon

Eric N. Mack

Julie Mehretu

Wardell Milan

Oscar Murillo

Wangechi Mutu

Kori Newkirk

Toyin Ojih Odutola

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Chris Ofili
Adam Pendleton
Robert Pruitt
Yinka Shonibare MBE
Gary Simmons
Xaviera Simmons
Lorna Simpson
Shinique Smith
Hank Willis Thomas
William Villalongo
Nari Ward
Carrie Mae Weems
Stanley Whitney
Kehinde Wiley
Lynette Yiadom-Boakye