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*Mark Anthony Brown Jr. is a visual practitioner living and working in the American South. Mark uses a wide range of materials and mediums ranging from photo, video, paint, and sculpture. With an interest in aesthetics, materials, and perception-- themes within the work are found at the intersection of the overarching human experience and the Black experience. Mark is currently attending The University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill in pursuit of a Master of Fine Arts in spring 2024.*

**Education**

2022-2024 - University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill - Master of Fine Art Candidate

2013 - Bowling Green State University, Bachelor of Science Technology, Visual Communication Technology

**Fellowships and Awards**

2024 – *Critical Ethnic Studies Fellow* – Center for Study of the American South - University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

2023, 2024 – *Ackland Graduate Fellow* – Ackland Museum - University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

2023, 2024 – *Townsend Fellow* – Center for Study of the American South - University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

2023 – *Visiting Researcher Fellow* – Wilson Library Special Collection - University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

2023 - *Incubator Award* - UNC University Libraries - University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

2023 - *Southern Futures Emerging* Scholar - Southern Futures - University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

2023 - *Guest Researcher & Interpreter* - Wilson Library Special Collections - University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

2023 - *Juror for Kachergis Award* - College of Arts & Science - University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

2022 - *Nexus Award* - Atlanta Contemporary - Atlanta, Georgia

2022 - *Emerging Lens Fellowship* - ART WORKS Projects - Chicago, Illinois

**Residencies**

2023 – *Exploratory Drawing* – Penland School of Craft – Penland, North Carolina

2021, 2022 – *Sweet Auburn Artist Residency* – Remerge – Atlanta, Georgia

**Exhibitions**

2024 – *Domestic Materiality* – A.D. Gallery – Pembroke, North Carolina

2023 – *It Ain’t All Black and White* – Block Gallery – Raleigh, North Carolina

2023 – *A Tell Tale* – Peel Gallery – Carrboro, North Carolina

2022 - *Forest Cove: All of the Above* - AWP Galleries - Chicago, Illinois

2022 - *Forest Cove: All of the Above* - Mint Gallery - Atlanta, Georgia

2022 - *Voices of Freedom* - Kennedy Heights Art Center - Cincinnati, Ohio

2021 – *Sweet/Discord* – Mint Gallery – Atlanta, Georgia

2020 – *Black and Brown Faces*, Cincinnati Art Museum – Cincinnati, Ohio

2020 - ‘*The Give Back’* Wish Gallery, Atlanta Georgia

2017 - *“That’s What I Wanna Know”* - Cincinnati, Ohio

2014 - *“Black Hole Exhibition”* - No Place Studios - Columbus, Ohio

**Publishing**

2015 - *The Way Light Works*, full color self-published photo book. edition of

50.

**Professional Experience**

*2023 (current) - Graduate Assistant — University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill*

*2022 (current) - Teaching Assistant — University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill*

*2019 - 2022 - Camera Specialist — KEH Camera, Smyrna, Georgia*

 *2019-* Studio Assistant- *Cam Kirk Studios, Atlanta, Georgia*

*2018 - Corporate – Creative Direction – Cincinnati, Ohio*