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Bridgette Mayer Gallery Presents:

Nathan Pankratz: New Paintings and a Reckoning

January 31 – February 25, 2023

Artist Reception & Happy Hour: Friday, February 3rd, 5:00 – 7:30pm

Philadelphia, PA – January 3, 2023. Bridgette Mayer Gallery is proud to announce the upcoming solo exhibition, *Nathan Pankratz: New Paintings and a Reckoning*. The exhibition will be on view at Bridgette Mayer Gallery from Tuesday, January 31 to Saturday, February 25, 2023, with exclusive, appointment-based previews beginning in mid-January. The gallery will host an artist reception and happy hour celebrating the exhibition on Friday, February 3 from 5:00 to 7:30pm.

New Paintings and a Reckoning is Pankratz's third solo exhibition at the gallery and features 20 new and recent paintings and three mixed media collages from the artist's latest body of work. Pankratz draws inspiration from ancient poems and texts concerning work and toil, written by Virgil, Solomon, and Marcus Aurelius. The designs in many of his paintings are derived from text passages that the artist writes out and mirrors on itself, creating patterns and symmetry. Pankratz states:

In many ways the paintings here are more human, in scale, form, and application, than many I have made before. They are raw, reflective, meditative, and spiritual. I have located clarity and purpose in what I did and who it is for. Ultimately, I try to make work about something bigger than the work.

About the Artist:

Nate Pankratz was born in Grand Island, NY and raised in the Pocono Mountains of Northeastern PA. Pankratz received his B.F.A. from the Pennsylvania State University, University Park, and his M.F.A. from the University of the Arts in Philadelphia.

Pankratz's work is represented by the Bridgette Mayer Gallery in Philadelphia, PA.

In addition to solo and group exhibitions in commercial galleries, Pankratz is a founding member of Tiger Strikes Asteroid, a non-profit network of artist-run spaces. Pankratz is currently on the faculty as a teaching artist at The Haverford School, a world leader in boys' education. His works are included in

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several public collections including Temple University's Fox School of Business and the Charles Library, as well as numerous private and corporate collections.

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Gallery information: Bridgette Mayer Gallery is free and open to the public. We are located at 709 Walnut Street, 1st Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19106. Gallery hours are Tuesday – Saturday, 10:00am – 5:00pm.

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