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LEHIGH UNIVERSITY ART GALLERIES | YOUNG, GIFTED, AND BLACK

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Jarrett Key, "Key Family in the Garden," (2019). © Jarrett Key, Image Courtesy of the artist and 1969 Gallery.

Lehigh University Art Galleries is proud to present Young, Gifted, and Black: The Lumpkin-Boccuzzi Family Collection of Contemporary Art, featuring artists of African descent. At a time when America continues to reckon with a racist history and still-unequal present, the exhibition aims to highlight the excellence of young Black artists.

The exhibition pulls from the private collection of Bernard I. Lumpkin and Carmine D. Boccuzzi, co-curated by writer and critic Antwan Sargent and artist Max Wycoff. The selections are divided into four groups: Black, Color, Materiality, and Portraiture, representing the wide range of new Black artists today. The exhibition is also accompanied by the catalogue Young, Gifted and Black: A New Generation of Artists, edited by Antwaun Sargent.

The exhibition will be on view at Lehigh University from February 1 to May 27, 2022, with a public opening reception on Tuesday, February 22 from 6pm to 8pm.